



Q & M Dental Centre builds local pipeline of Dental Surgery Assistants through WSG's Place-and-Train Programme

SINGAPORE, 2 July 2020 - Q & M Dental Centre Pte. Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Q & M Dental Group, is pleased to announce a new programme to hire and train mid-career Dental Surgery Assistants.

Supported by Workforce Singapore (WSG), the Place-and-Train Programme for Dental Surgery Assistants will help lower the barriers to entry for new mid-career hires, who lacked relevant experience and skills, by equipping them with the necessary skills and competencies, thereby aiding their transition to take up new job as Dental Surgery Assistants with Q & M Dental Centre.

Through the programme, Q & M Dental Centre will be able to expand its workforce to support its growing operations. At the same time, the organisation also creates viable and meaningful job opportunities for local mid-careerists who are keen to embark on a new career in healthcare services. Up to 30 Singapore Citizens and Singapore Permanent Residents, who will be employed as Dental Surgery Assistants by Q & M Dental Centre, stand to benefit.

The three-month programme comprises classroom lectures as well as on-the-job practical training in various clinics under the Q & M Dental Group located around the country. Topics covered in the training programme include Dental Administration and Communication, Infection Control and Sterilization, Dental Charting and Chair-side Assisting, and Dental Radiology.

Q & M College of Dentistry, which has been registered with the Council of Private Education since June 2019, will be the training provider for the Place-and-Train Programme for Dental Surgery Assistants. Currently, the Q & M College of Dentistry also offers the Graduate Diploma in Clinical Dentistry course for practising dentists in Singapore.

Dr Ng Chin Siau, Q & M's Group CEO says: "As the leading provider of private dental services, we continue to expand our reach to cater to the increasing healthcare demands in Singapore. This also allows us to create job opportunities amidst the COVID19 pandemic.

The introduction of the Place-and-Train Programme for Dental Surgery Assistants is timely, will certainly support our manpower needs as demand for healthcare services in Singapore continues to grow. We also want to ensure that our new dental nurses would provide quality assistance to dentists by undergoing the programme, which provides a certifiable skillset from the largest private dentistry group in Singapore."

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About Q & M Dental Group (Singapore) Limited (QC7.SI)

Q & M Dental Group (Singapore) Limited (“Q & M” or together with its subsidiaries, the “Group”) [QC7.SI] is a leading private dental healthcare group in Asia. The Group owns the largest network of private dental outlets in Singapore and aims to expand its operations geographically and vertically through the value chain in Malaysia, the People’s Republic of China (“PRC”) and within ASEAN. Established in 1996, Q & M has built a brand that is synonymous with accessible and quality dental healthcare.

The Group operates 114 dental outlets, 5 medical clinics and 3 dental supplies and equipment distribution companies across Singapore, Malaysia and the PRC. Underpinned by more than 230 experienced dentists and close to 400 supporting staff, the Group has an outreach of more than 600,000 patients in Singapore.

With an extensive network of outlets spanning various locations in Singapore, the Group continues to make private dental healthcare easily accessible as it continues to expand its operations through organic growth across the island. Additionally, outside of Singapore, the Group also continues to grow its presence in Malaysia organically.

In addition to providing general and specialised dental and medical care, the Group has also expanded into postgraduate education with the establishment of the Q & M College of Dentistry in 2019. It offers Singapore’s first private postgraduate diploma programme in clinical dentistry.

The Group has also made inroads into the development of advanced technology in healthcare with the establishment of EM2AI Pte. Ltd. (“EM2AI”, formerly known as Q & M Dental AI Pte. Ltd.) in 2018. Since its inception, EM2AI has been focused on developing AI engine powered solutions in diagnosis and treatment planning.

The Group was listed on the Mainboard of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (“SGX-ST”) on 26 November 2009.

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