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3M Healthcare, a sub-group of the Indian subsidiary of 3M, has won the prestigious QCI-DL Shah National Award for Healthcare Services awarded by the Quality Council of India. The award was presented to 3M India by Mr Arun Maira, chairman, Quality Council of India and member of the Planning Commission, at Delhi.

3M has bagged the prestigious award under the "Quality Control in Hospital Sterilization" category for its significant contribution towards infection prevention enabling speedy recovery and positive patient outcomes at reduced healthcare costs.

Infection control is one of the top most priorities in a hospital to help improve patient outcomes and reduce length of stay in hospitals. Through its customer centric and well appreciated programs, 3M infection prevention division, part of the 3M Healthcare group has been training and educating healthcare professionals leading the way to upgrading practices across the country.

This recognition complements 3M's ongoing efforts to help prevent and control infection related morbidity and mortality, thus raising the standards of quality of healthcare imparted in hospitals and reduce the cost of care linked to healthcare associated infection. This is also 3M's second national award within a year after winning the prestigious Wound Management Company of the Year Award at the Frost & Sullivan Healthcare Excellence Awards.

Commenting on the achievement, Mr Gautam Khanna, executive director, Healthcare Business-3M India said, "We are honored to have won this recognition from a prestigious organization like QCI. It is great to be recognized for our on-going efforts towards imparting quality healthcare in India. In addition to providing innovative solutions from our exhaustive product portfolio, we believe in public private partnerships to empower healthcare professionals by providing them access to discussion forums and continuous medical education programs on best practices."

Quality Council of India is an autonomous non-profit organization set up jointly by the Government of India and the Indian

Industry represented by the three premier industry associates-Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM), Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) and Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI).