ASX-Listed, Singapore-Based AAMG Partners Vinmec To Offer Liver Surgery And Transplantation In Hanoi

Singapore, 17 April 2013 – Singapore-based and Australian-listed Asian American Medical Group ("AAMG", ASX:AJJ) announced today it is partnering Vinmec International Hospital JSC ("VINMEC"), a division of Vietnam’s largest real estate group Vingroup Joint Stock Company ("Vingroup"), to offer international standard liver surgery and transplantation for the first time in the fast-growing country of over 87 million people.

Under the Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") between AAMG and VINMEC the two parties will jointly set up the Vietnamese-American Liver Center ("VALC") to treat the whole spectrum of liver diseases for adults and children. VALC will be located within VINMEC, an international-standard hospital established since February 2012 in Hanoi.

VALC will provide complicated hepatobiliary surgery and transplantation in VINMEC’s 12 main operating theatres and five day-care operating rooms.

This MOU follows the partnership between AAMG and the world-renowned UPMC, a US$10-billion integrated global health enterprise headquartered in Pittsburgh, USA, to set up the Comprehensive Transplant Centre ("CTC") in Singapore.

VINMEC shall be responsible to provide the necessary facilities, equipment and working capital necessary to fund all operating costs, as well as to obtain all approval and licenses from the government authorities or otherwise for the operation of VALC.

AAMG shall be responsible for designing, setting up, managing and operating VALC; implementing management systems; selecting, recruiting and training staff; and delivering quality service. It will also assist in integrating UPMC-utilised IT and Telemedicine technologies within VALC, the Intensive Care Units (ICUs) and wards.

UPMC shall support AAMG in its partnership with VINMEC through technical consultation, training, capacity-building programmes, providing experts for healthcare services support at VINMEC, if required, and consultancy/second opinion service in telemedicine.

VALC is expected to be operational by June 2013.
“We are proud to partner VINMEC to provide quality services for liver surgery and treatment. Until now, advanced liver surgery is available only to Vietnamese who can travel overseas for medical treatment. We are now bringing world-class liver care to a well-equipped hospital in one of the fastest-growing economies in Asia,” said Dato’ Dr Tan Kai Chah, Executive Chairman of AAMG.

Professor Nguyen Thanh Liem, CEO of Vinmec International Hospital, said, “This new liver centre in VINMEC will transform the quality of medical care in Vietnam, especially for liver-related diseases. We are proud to partner such a well-regarded healthcare provider as AAMG in our efforts to contribute towards raising the standard of medical care in Vietnam.”

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About Asian American Medical Group

Asian American Medical Group ("AAMG"), formerly known as Asian Centre for Liver Diseases and Transplantation ("ACLDT"), was established in 1994 in Singapore. It is one of Asia’s foremost Liver Centres with out-patient facilities as well as a dedicated in-patient Liver Ward and Intensive Care Unit to complement its highly successful Living Donor Liver Transplantation (LDLT) Programme.

With the collaboration with UPMC, AAMG will extend to offer quality treatment beyond liver-related diseases and transplantation including kidney, blood and bone marrow transplant programmes through Asia's first Comprehensive Transplant Centre (CTC).

AAMG is led by renowned hepatobiliary expert and liver transplant surgeon, Dato’ Dr Tan Kai Chah (Dr KC Tan), who helped start the Liver Transplant Programme at the King’s College Hospital London, the UK. Dr Tan performed many pioneering operations in the UK including the first ‘split-liver’ transplant, first auxiliary liver graft and completed a pilot study of living donor liver transplantation.

AAMG is the first private medical centre in South-east Asia to have performed 205 living donor liver transplants as at 31 March 2013. On average, ACLDT treats 8,000 patients a year, of which over 90% are international patients from South-east Asia, South Asia, Indochina, the Middle East and Russia.

AAMG was listed on the Australian Securities Exchange in September 2009 (ASX:AJJ).

It opened its first overseas liver centre in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, in September 2010.

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**About Vinmec International Hospital JSC**

Vinmec International Hospital JSC is located in an area of nearly 2.5 ha in the modern Times City Urban Zone Complex at 458 Minh Khai, Hanoi. The hospital is designed with 2 basements and 7 above ground floors with a GFA of over 60,000 sq.m, comprising 18 departments and 31 specialties with intensive support and high tech units. Vinmec is Vietnam’s leading hospital which is fully-equipped with state-of-the-art and compatible machines and facilities imported from well-known medical manufacturers in the world, to ensure high effectiveness, safety, accuracy, time-saving and environmental friendliness.

Apart from its modern equipment and machinery, Vinmec is designed to become a 5-star standard Hospital Facilities (hospital-hotel model), in which more than 600 patient rooms and consultation rooms are furnished with modern furniture and amenities to offer absolute comfort and pleasurable rest periods for patients - as if they were staying in a 5-star hotel. Up to now, Vinmec is the only hospital in Vietnam equipped with a system of synchronized departments that are designed to be consistently interconnected in function and capacity such as: Emergency Medicine - Imaging Services – Laboratory Services - Operating Theatre - Intensive Care Unit - Orthopaedic Surgery. This compatibility is a key factor to save time, increase safety and effectiveness of health check and treatment.

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