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# OWENS & MINOR RECOGNIZES HEALTHCARE SUPPLY CHAIN PROFESSIONALS

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O&M CELEBRATES NATIONAL HEALTHCARE SUPPLY CHAIN WEEK, RECOGNIZING TEAMMATES, CUSTOMERS AND PARTNERS WHO WORK TO STRENGTHEN HEALTHCARE SUPPLY CHAIN DURING PANDEMIC AND BEYOND.

As Owens & Minor’s more than 15,000 teammates observe National Health Care Supply Chain Week, the company today recognizes supply chain professionals for their continued dedication and tenacity in helping to ensure quality care can be delivered, even amid global supply challenges. National Health Care Supply Chain Week was created by the Association of Health Care Resource and Materials Management (AHRMM), the leading membership group that provides education, leadership, and advocacy for members, to highlight the critical role of healthcare supply and to express appreciation to the dedicated professionals that work in this area.

“Care isn’t just delivered at the bedside,” said Jeff Jochims, Owens & Minor’s EVP, Chief Operating Officer, and President of Medical Distribution. “Healthcare supply chains run from raw material supply and product manufacturing to complex transportation and distribution networks to local supply rooms embedded in healthcare facilities. For Owens & Minor, supply chain is an ongoing and personal commitment – powered by every teammate in our value chain. Thanks to their incredible dedication, we empower our customers to advance healthcare. O&M is proud that our products and services are among the leading brands in healthcare supply, including Byram,



Halyard, MediChoice, QSight, SurgiTrack and others.”

#### Enhanced capabilities

To fulfill the country’s demand for personal protective equipment (PPE), Owens & Minor increased production capacity for both raw materials in Lexington, N.C. and N95 respirators in Del Rio, Texas. This investment in an Americas-based, end-to-end supply chain and manufacturing footprint made an immediate impact on healthcare between January 2020 and August 2021:

- Over 1000% increase in N95 respirator production at three locations
- Nearly 100% increase in surgical and procedure mask production
- Over 600% increase in face shield production
- 1500% increase in isolation gown production

#### Driving resiliency and reliability

With more than 45 regionally located facilities, an Owens & Minor distribution center is situated within a four-hour driving distance of more than 90% of the U.S. population. Thanks to this proximity, teams dedicated to supply chain and operations worked around the clock to get more than 27.3 billion units of PPE to healthcare organizations across the globe and continuum of care from January 2020 to August 2021. This includes 15.6 billion units alone in the United States.

“Supply chain has been forever changed by the pandemic,” added Jochims. “Owens & Minor is proud of our teammates and our organization’s ability to quickly respond and anticipate needs so our customers can be confident in their partnership with us and the resilient supply chain we offer.”