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SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

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Owens & Minor Inc.

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Owens & Minor, Inc.

Important Notice regarding the availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on Friday, April 27, 2012

*The Proxy Statement, Annual Report/Form 10-K, and other proxy materials are available at:
<http://www.proxyvoting.com/omi>*

*This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet.
We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.*

If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is no charge to you for requesting a copy. Please make your request for a copy as instructed below on or before April 13, 2012 to facilitate timely delivery.

OWENS & MINOR, INC.

TO REQUEST PAPER COPIES OF PROXY MATERIALS:

(please reference your 11-digit control number when requesting materials)

By opting out to receive printed materials, your preference for future proxy mailings will be kept on our file.

Telephone: **1-888-313-0164**
(outside of the U.S and Canada call 201-680-6688)

Email: **shrrelations@bnymellon.com**
(you must reference your 11-digit control number in your email)

Internet: **<http://www.proxyvoting.com/omi>**

TO VOTE YOUR SHARES, SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE SIDE

This is not a proxy card. You cannot use this notice to vote your shares.

Dear Owens & Minor, Inc. Shareholder:

The 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Owens & Minor, Inc. (the "Company") will be held at the corporate headquarters of the Company, 9120 Lockwood Boulevard, Mechanicsville, Virginia 23116, on Friday, April 27, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. (EDT).

Proposals to be considered at the Annual Meeting:

- (1) Election of the 11 directors named in the Company's 2012 Proxy Statement, each for a one-year term and until their respective successors are elected;
- (2) Ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for 2012;
- (3) Advisory vote on executive compensation.

Management recommends a vote "FOR" Items 1 through 3.

The Board of Directors has fixed the close of business on March 6, 2012 as the record date (the "Record Date") for the determination of shareholders entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the Annual Meeting or any adjournment(s) thereof.

CONTROL NUMBER



YOU MUST REFERENCE YOUR 11-DIGIT CONTROL NUMBER TO VOTE YOUR PROXY ELECTRONICALLY OR IF YOU REQUEST A PAPER COPY OF THE PROXY MATERIALS.



Shareholders of record as of the Record Date are encouraged and cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting.

Meeting Location:

Owens & Minor, Inc. Corporate Headquarters
9120 Lockwood Boulevard
Mechanicsville, Virginia 23116

You can find directions to the Annual Meeting at: www.owens-minor.com.

The following materials are available for you to review online:

- the Company's 2012 Proxy Statement (including all attachments thereto);
- the Proxy Card;
- the Company's Annual Report and Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 (which is not deemed to be part of the official proxy soliciting materials); and
- any amendments to the foregoing materials that are required to be furnished to shareholders.

To request a paper copy of the Proxy Materials:

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The Proxy Materials for Owens & Minor, Inc. are available to review at:

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Have this notice available when you want to view your proxy materials online, when you want to vote your proxy electronically, or if you want to request a paper copy of the proxy materials.

HOW TO VOTE BY INTERNET

We encourage you to review the proxy materials online before voting.

Use the Internet to vote your shares. On the landing page of the above website in the box labeled "To Vote Your Shares by Internet," click on "**Vote Now**" to access the electronic proxy card and vote your shares. Have this letter in hand when you access the website.

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