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## **Boston Scientific Receives Prestigious Shingo Award for Operational Excellence**

NATICK, Mass., March 19, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- Boston Scientific has received a Shingo award from the Shingo Institute, part of the Jon M. Huntsman School of Business at Utah State University, in recognition for delivering world class results and demonstrating an ongoing commitment to leading and influencing a strong culture of operational excellence at its Maple Grove, Minn. manufacturing facility.

"Receipt of the Shingo Silver Medallion signifies an organization's strong use of tools, techniques and mature systems for business improvement," said Robert Miller, executive director at the Shingo Institute.

"We are proud of our consistent and sustained efforts to drive quality, reduce cost and deliver innovative new products across our global operation," said Dale Hentges, vice president, Maple Grove Operations, Boston Scientific. "The Shingo Model is a world-class standard for operational excellence, and our team is honored to receive this recognition for our progress and efforts."

Boston Scientific continually seeks innovative ways to provide medical technology and solutions to patients and hospitals around the world. "Recognition from the Shingo Institute validates our strategy to take our operational expertise to customers," said Hamid Sabet, vice president, Global Healthcare Solutions, Boston Scientific. "We understand the challenges in healthcare and see opportunities to leverage Boston Scientific's capabilities and industry partnership to deliver pioneering solutions across the care continuum that improve the efficiency, quality and affordability of care."

Boston Scientific will receive the Shingo Silver Medallion at the Annual Awards Gala during the 26<sup>th</sup> International Shingo Conference, May 5-9, 2014, in Sandusky, Ohio.

### **About the Shingo Institute**

Housed at the Jon M. Huntsman School of Business at Utah State University, the Shingo Institute is named after Japanese industrial engineer Shigeo Shingo. Dr. Shingo distinguished himself as one of the world's thought leaders in concepts, management systems and improvement techniques that have become known as the Toyota Business System. Drawing from Dr. Shingo's teachings and years of experience working with organizations throughout the world, the Shingo Institute teaches the application of principles that are necessary to achieve sustainable results. It also awards and recognizes organizations that demonstrate an exceptional culture that continually strives for improvement and progress.

### **About Boston Scientific**

Boston Scientific transforms lives through innovative medical solutions that improve the health of patients around the world. As a global medical technology leader for more than 30 years, we advance science for life by providing a broad range of high performance solutions that address unmet patient needs and reduce the cost of healthcare. For more information, visit [www.bostonscientific.com](http://www.bostonscientific.com) and connect on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).

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