

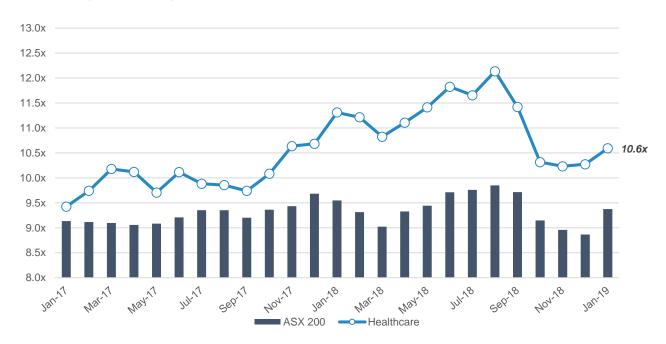
# Australian Healthcare

**INDUSTRY UPDATE - 21 February 2019** 

## **VALUATION MULTIPLES**

Forward EV / EBITDA Multiples (monthly to 31/01/2019) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Multiples in the Healthcare sector have increased over the period. At the end of January, the sector traded on a forward EV / EBITDA multiple of 10.6x, compared to the ASX200 on 9.4x.



Average Values and Trading Multiples (values as at 21/02/2019) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Subsector	Enterprise Value (\$ m)	EV/EBITDA FY2019	EV/EBIT FY2019	Price / Earnings FY2019
Aged Care	2,634	9.5x	13.0x	16.4x
Animal Health	1,173	8.1x	10.5x	13.5x
Biotech	92,644	22.2x	25.2x	32.0x
Hospitals & Clinics	39,406	9.7x	13.4x	17.4x
Medical Devices	11,495	27.7x	30.6x	41.8x
Healthcare	148,290	10.7x	13.8x	18.0x

Note: Multiples are based on the forward year of the unreported period, which for the majority of companies in the sector is FY2019. Difference in forward EV/EBITDA multiples between Figure and Table are representative of the timing difference between month-end result, and current day result.

<sup>1</sup> The InterFinancial Healthcare Index set is an unweighted index comprising Healthcare sector related companies trading on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX). Estimates are sourced from FactSet Research Systems Inc.



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## **MERGER & ACQUISITION NEWS...**





Value: \$51m

ALS has acquired BioScreen Testing Services in the US and MARSS International in Chile, with the spending on the two acquisitions and a key investment in innovation totaling \$51m. Based in Los Angeles and Phoenix, BioScreen Testing Services employs over 110 staff and provides pharmaceutical and personal care testing in the USA. MARRS International, on the other hand, has an established network of operations in key port and mining locations of strategic importance to ALS Commodity Inspection.

# **Brookfield**



Value: \$4.375bn

**Healthscope** has entered into an Implementation Deed with **Brookfield** to be fully acquired by way of a scheme of arrangement for an implied equity value of \$4.375bn. Under the scheme **Brookfield** is offering to acquire 100% of **Healthscope** at \$2.50 per share. **Brookfield** will also launch a simultaneous off-market takeover offer for \$2.40 per share. The 14.7x EBITDA multiple that **Brookfield** is paying is said to be the highest ever in the sector.

#### UNDER THE MICROSCOPE...

- Aveo Group is currently assessing bids and aims to shortlist preferred bidders to take into the second stage of the sale process, which will commence in late February 2019.
- Next Science, a privately held Australian anti-bacterial biofilm product developer, is expected to raise \$30m in its upcoming ASX listing. The float is expected to value the company at \$170m. The company completed an \$10m pre-IPO round late last year.
- Australian Pharmaceutical Industries is increasingly anticipated to be asked to raise its offer for Sigma Health. API's share price has fallen from \$1.62 per share to \$1.32 per share since it first put forward its offer. API is offering 0.31 API shares and \$0.23 for each Sigma share, which was worth \$0.72 per share, or \$728m, when the offer was announced in December. The bid is now valued at around \$0.636 per share, or \$639m
- Canada's Brookfield may be interested in Healius, an Australia-based healthcare business. Brookfield, which recently reached a deal to buy Australian hospital operator Healthscope, is thought to be very interested in the Australian healthcare space and could also pursue Healius. Brookfield is speculated to be looking at partnering with China's Jangho, which has lodged a rejected \$2bn takeover offer for Healius. Healius is thought to have attracted other private equity firms such as PAG, TPG Capital and KKR.
- Healius could divest from its in-vitro fertilisation businesses, with potential buyers of the business being Virtus Health or Monash IVF Group.
- Global Alpha Capital Management, which plans to vote against TPG Capital's USD 675m takeover offer for Greencross, has lifted its stake in the target to 11.09%. TPG is offering \$5.55 per share for Greencross.



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