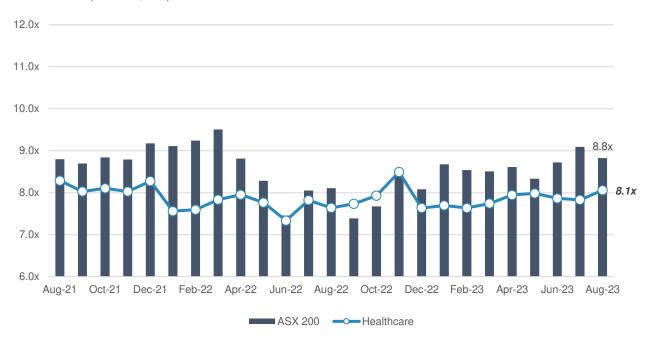


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#### **VALUATION MULTIPLES**

Forward EV / EBITDA Multiples (monthly to 30/08/2023) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Multiples in the Healthcare sector have remained constant over the period. At the end of August, the sector traded on a forward EV / EBITDA multiple of 8.1x, compared to the ASX200 on 8.8x.



Average Values and Trading Multiples (values as at 30/08/2023) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Subsector	Enterprise Value (\$m)	EV/EBITDA FY2023	EV/EBIT FY2023	Price / Earnings FY2023
Aged Care	759	8.2x	15.7x	28.0x
Animal Health	162	NA	NA	NA
Biotech	149,004	19.6x	23.0x	28.6x
Hospitals & Clinics	43,897	9.7x	16.2x	23.0x
Medical Devices	1,296	NA	NA	87.1x
Healthcare	196,416	1.8x	18.3x	35.6x

Note: Multiples are based on the forward year of the unreported period, which for the majority of companies in the sector is FY2023. Difference in forward EV/EBITDA multiples between Figure and Table are representative of the timing difference between month-end result, and current day result.

Composition of companies in Sector Dashboards are updated every 6 months.

<sup>&</sup>lt;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: AUD 260m

Pacific Equity Partners, the private equity and venture capital firm, through its subsidiary Harold Bidco, is to acquire Healthia, the Australia based operator of podiatry clinics and shoe stores, and provider of physiotherapy services. The consideration is AUD 260m in cash, based on offer price of AUD 1.80 per share and 144,448,379 fully diluted shares of Healthia. The deal value including net debt is AUD 421.435m. The transaction is subject to Healthia shareholders approval, approval by the Court and Foreign Investment Review Board and other customary closing conditions.



Value: Undisclosed

Ontario Teachers Pension Plan, the Canada based pension Fund is to acquire the remaining stake in Terra Carbon Pty Ltd, the Australia based natural resource management and environmental markets consultancy focused on climate change and carbon management strategy from KKR & Co Inc, the global investment firm. The terms of the deal were undisclosed.



Value: Undisclosed

**Dennis Bastas** (Private Individual), the Australia based individual interested in pharma sector has acquired **Axe Health**, the United States based engaged in pharmaceutical consulting business. The terms of the deal were undisclosed.



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#### UNDER THE MICROSCOPE...

- Wesfarmers is considering an acquisition of Greencross, the Australian-based pet care business owned by TPG Capital.
   The move came at a time when the private equity owner is mulling strategic options for Greencross, including a stock market listing. TPG Capital acquired the business in 2019 for AUD 675m, and sold a 45% stake in the company last year to AustralianSuper and the Healthcare of Ontario Pension Plan in a deal that valued Greencross at AUD 3.5bn
- Australian private equity firm Genesis Capital is among the bidders for Ekera Dental, the Australia-based dentistry business
  owned by another private equity firm The Growth Fund. The operator of 46 dental clinics in the country could be sold for as
  much as AUD 300m via the sale process managed by Allier Capital. Previously, BGH Capital was regarded as a buyer
  candidate, but is not in the sale process anymore
- Citi has launched the sale process for Cura Group, an Australia-based day hospital business. An information memorandum
  has been sent to prospective bidders and around 15 to 20 parties have been offered the opportunity to examine the company.
  Cura is believed to generate annual EBITDA of around AUD 42m.
- Control Bionics [ASX:CBL], an Australian assistive technology device developer, could attract takeover attention as it
  evaluates funding options. The company, which is already generating revenue from its core NeuroNode (EMG) technology to
  design, make, and sell devices to enable people with complex communication (loss of speech) and physical needs (paralysis)
  to communicate via a computer using their intention of movement and neural signals, is evaluating funding options to
  accelerate growth. These could include a capital raising or tapping non-dilutive government funding.
- Affinity Equity Partners is believed to be bidding for VetPartners, an Australia-based veterinary chain. VetPartners is
  expected to sell for around AUD 1.4bn. (EQT Partners is also competing for VetPartners along with Permira Private Equity.
- EQT is among buyers interested in Ramsay Sime Darby Health Care, the Asian hospital operation jointly owned by Ramsay Health Care [ASX:RHC] and Sime Darby [KLSE:SIME]. Other buyers include a Japanese party, TPG Capital through its joint venture with Hong Leong Columbia Asia Hospitals, Macquarie Asset Management, Sunway Medical Centre, and Mitra Keluarga Karyasehat.
- The sale process for Aurora Healthcare, an Australia-based mental health provider, could be put on hold. Tough conditions
  in the mental health space and questions over whether there is sufficient competitive tension in the auction could prompt the
  company's owners to delay the sale until conditions improve and a higher price can be justified. So far, Pacific Equity
  Partners (PEP) is the main contender for the company and no other serious bidders have emerged.
- Australian pain relief brand Pain Away and its acquirer Wellnex Life Ltd [ASX:WNX] agreed to reduce upfront payment for the proposed acquisition to AUD 13.95m including inventory target of AUD 1.15m.



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