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#### Introduction to Our Team

#### Scott Fidel, Managing Director, Healthcare Services

- Scott joined Stephens in 2018 as a Managing Director and leads the firm's coverage of the Healthcare Services sector. Scott and his team
  currently provide extensive research coverage of three key verticals in Healthcare Services: Managed Care, Health Care Facilities, and
  Post-Acute Care.
- Scott has 22+ years of experience covering the Healthcare Services industry on the sell-side, having previously covered the Managed Care & HC Facilities sectors as the Lead Analyst at Credit Suisse. Scott also served as the Lead Analyst covering Managed Care at both Deutsche Bank and JPMorgan. Scott began his equity research career as an associate analyst at UBS covering Managed Care. Prior to joining the equity research business, Scott worked as a health care lobbyist and legislative researcher in Washington, D.C.
- Scott has been named to the Institutional Investor All-America Research Team for his Managed Care research coverage on several occasions and was recognized as a top ten sell-side analyst in the category for 15 consecutive years.
- Earlier in his career, Scott was also recognized as an Institutional Investor All-American Rising Star on multiple occasions.
- Scott has also been ranked as a top sell-side earnings estimator in the Health Care Providers & Services category in the Thomson Reuters Analyst Awards.

#### Raj Kumar, Research Associate

- Raj joined Stephens in 2021 and covers the Healthcare Services Sector.
- Raj received his BA in supply chain and information systems along with his MS in economic analytics at the University of Arkansas in 2020 and 2021, respectively.

# Stephens Healthcare Services Coverage Universe / Comp Sheet (priced as of 3/7/22)

								Esto	ıblished Mo	anaged Co	are Organiz	ations (MC	Os)								
Ticker		ı	Rating Sun	nmary		Stephens	Revenue E	sts. (\$Mil.)	Steph	ens Adj. EP	S Ests.	Stree	et Forward	P/E		Historical	NTM P/E		Fino	ancial Metri	ics
	Rating	Delta	Price Target	Current Price	Market Cap (\$Mil.)	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR	Debt/Cap (%)	DVD Yld (%)	2022 FCF Yld (%)
ANTM	OW	12%	\$525	\$467	\$112,619	\$136,943	\$152,100	\$163,374	\$25.98	\$28.40	\$32.55	18.0x	16.4x	14.5x	15.0x	13.6x	14.6x	13.1x	38.6%	0.9%	5.1%
CI	OW	11%	\$265	\$240	\$76,894	\$174,090	\$177,135	\$185,250	\$20.47	\$22.50	\$25.10	11.7x	10.7x	9.5x	10.7x	10.2x	12.2x	12.3x	41.6%	1.7%	9.3%
CNC	OW	25%	\$106	\$85	\$49,570	\$125,982	\$137,256	\$144,241	\$4.44	\$4.39	\$5.35	16.5x	15.7x	13.5x	13.3x	12.6x	14.3x	16.0x	40.7%	0.0%	5.6%
CVS	NR	NR	NR	\$105	\$137,157	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	12.4x	12.6x	11.7x	11.4x	9.9x	10.4x	13.1x	50.3%	1.9%	7.8%
HUM	OW	17%	\$510	\$437	\$55,349	\$83,447	\$92,716	\$99,949	\$20.64	\$24.10	\$27.35	21.2x	18.1x	16.0x	19.5x	19.7x	20.0x	17.6x	43.7%	0.6%	3.5%
МОН	EW	5%	\$333	\$316	\$18,460	\$27,771	\$29,505	\$31,312	\$13.54	\$17.10	\$19.60	23.3x	18.4x	16.2x	18.4x	15.3x	19.2x	20.4x	45.2%	0.0%	7.8%
UNH	OW	10%	\$542	\$493	\$463,713	\$287,597	\$319,303	\$350,094	\$19.02	\$21.60	\$24.65	25.9x	22.8x	20.0x	21.6x	19.1x	19.0x	16.8x	38.0%	1.1%	4.6%
Averages												18.4x	16.4x	14.5x	15.7x	14.4x	15.7x	15.6x	42.6%	0.9%	6.2%
S&P 500												20.5x	19.1x	18.2x	21.3x	19.8x	18.8x	17.1x			

										Healthca	re Facilities										
Ticker		ı	Rating Sun	nmary		Stephens	Revenue I	sts. (\$Mil.)	Stephen	s EBITDA Es	ts. (\$Mil.)	Street Fo	orward EV	/EBITDA	His	torical NTI	M EV/EBITE	)A	Fina	incial Metri	cs
	Rating	Delta	Price Target	Current Price	Market Cap (\$Mil.)	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR	Net Debt to LTM EBITDA	DVD YId (%)	2022 FCF Yld (%)
ACHC	EW	18%	\$74	\$63	\$5,623	\$2,314	\$2,575	\$2,798	\$559	\$594	\$653	12.6x	11.9x	10.8x	12.8x	11.3x	10.9x	11.7x	2.4x	0.0%	1.0%
CYH	NR	NR	NR	\$11	\$1,452	\$12,368	\$12,808	\$13,326	\$1,969	\$1,896	\$1,997	6.6x	6.7x	6.3x	7.8x	8.5x	8.7x	7.8x	7.3x	0.0%	NM
HCA	OW	8%	\$285	\$263	\$79,845	\$58,752	\$61,390	\$65,484	\$12,644	\$12,900	\$13,656	9.1x	9.0x	8.6x	9.4x	8.6x	8.4x	8.2x	2.6x	0.7%	6.4%
THC	EW/V	11%	\$98	\$88	\$9,469	\$19,485	\$19,708	\$20,765	\$3,482	\$3,513	\$3,755	7.7x	7.7x	7.2x	7.4x	7.4x	7.4x	7.4x	2.3x	0.0%	6.7%
UHS	EW	1%	\$150	\$149	\$10,888	\$12,642	\$13,575	\$14,341	\$1,900	\$1,881	\$1,971	7.9x	8.0x	7.5x	8.3x	8.3x	8.4x	8.3x	2.1x	0.5%	4.5%
Averages												8.8x	8.7x	8.1x	9.2x	8.8x	8.7x	8.7x	3.4x	0.3%	4.7%

#### Notes:

<sup>\*</sup>Consensus estimates used for those with NR designations

<sup>\*\*</sup> Covered companies in bold

# Stephens Healthcare Services Coverage Universe / Comp Sheet (priced as of 3/4/22)

									Post A	cute / Hor	ne Care Pro	oviders									
Ticker		F	Rating Sun	nmary		Stephens	Revenue I	sts. (\$Mil.)	Stephen	s EBITDA Es	ts. (\$Mil.)	Street Fo	orward EV	/EBITDA	His	storical NT	M EV/EBITI	DA	Fino	ancial Metri	cs
	Rating	Delta	Price Target	Current Price	Market Cap (\$Mil.)	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR	Debt to LTM EBITDA	DVD Yld (%)	2022 FCF Yld (%)
ADUS	OW	42%	\$116	\$82	\$1,305	\$864	\$970	\$1,050	\$98	\$108	\$120	14.4x	13.1x	11.9x	16.1x	17.2x	15.5x	12.5x	2.3x	0.0%	4.9%
AMED	EW	9%	\$172	\$158	\$5,149	\$2,214	\$2,351	\$2,576	\$300	\$282	\$325	18.7x	19.7x	16.9x	22.3x	24.3x	21.0x	15.4x	1.5x	0.0%	3.7%
AVAH	OW	184%	\$11.50	\$4	\$746	\$1,678	\$1,975	\$2,133	\$185	\$215	\$245	7.9x	6.3x	5.7x	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3.9x	0.0%	10.5%
CHE	NR	NR	NR	\$490	\$7,550	\$2,139	\$2,189	\$2,292	\$461	\$445	\$480	N/A	N/A	N/A	17.4x	18.3x	17.2x	13.1x	0.7x	0.3%	N/A
EHC	OW	15%	\$78	\$68	\$6,751	\$5,122	\$5,466	\$5,886	\$1,028	\$1,045	\$1,144	11.0x	10.8x	9.9x	10.8x	11.0x	10.6x	9.8x	3.1x	1.7%	3.0%
ENSG	OW	15%	\$98	\$85	\$4,681	\$2,627	\$2,954	\$3,304	\$337	\$378	\$423	13.6x	12.1x	11.0x	13.0x	13.8x	12.0x	9.6x	0.4x	0.2%	4.7%
LHCG	OW	20%	\$165	\$138	\$4,363	\$2,220	\$2,512	\$2,761	\$265	\$281	\$326	19.3x	18.2x	15.9x	18.7x	20.0x	17.2x	12.8x	2.3x	0.0%	0.5%
MODV	NR	NR	NR	\$115	\$1,608	\$1,997	\$2,347	\$2,529	\$203	\$204	\$234	13.2x	14.6x	12.2x	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	5.0x	0.0%	NM
PNTG	OW/V	76%	\$26	\$15	\$420	\$425	\$455	\$499	\$26	\$36	\$45	17.8x	13.8x	10.4x	24.6x	N/A	N/A	N/A	1.7x	0.0%	3.3%
SEM	NR	NR	NR	\$24	\$3,161	\$6,205	\$6,333	\$6,632	\$947	\$812	\$942	7.0x	7.8x	6.4x	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	5.0x	1.6%	N/A
Averages												13.6x	13.0x	11.1x	17.6x	17.4x	15.6x	12.2x	2.6x	0.4%	4.4%

									Em	erging Pay	ers & Provi	ders									
Ticker		ı	Rating Sun	nmary		Street R	evenue Est	s. (\$Mil.)	Street E	BITDA Ests.	(\$Mil.)	Stree	t Adj. EPS	Ests.	Stree	et Forward	Price-to-S	ales	Find	ancial Metri	ics
	Rating	Delta	Price Target	Current Price	Market Cap (\$Mil.)	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2024	Debt/Cap (%)	DVD YId (%)	2022 FCF Yld (%)
AGL	NR	NR	NR	\$22	\$8,672	\$1,834	\$2,598	\$3,515	(\$39)	\$6	\$92	(\$1.09)	(\$0.11)	\$0.12	4.7x	3.3x	2.5x	1.9x	4%	0.0%	144.6%
ALHC	NR	NR	NR	\$9	\$1,752	\$1,168	\$1,337	\$1,633	(\$33)	(\$46)	(\$26)	(\$1.14)	(\$0.81)	(\$0.75)	1.5x	1.3x	1.1x	0.9x	35%	0.0%	N/A
BHG	NR	NR	NR	\$2	\$1,213	\$4,029	\$6,766	\$8,316	(\$1,081)	(\$700)	(\$350)	(\$3.02)	(\$1.21)	(\$0.61)	0.3x	0.2x	0.1x	0.1x	12%	0.0%	N/A
CANO	NR	NR	NR	\$5	\$852	\$1,722	\$2,641	\$3,365	\$118	\$173	\$229	\$0.05	(\$0.02)	\$0.08	0.5x	0.3x	0.3x	0.3x	0%	0.0%	N/A
CLOV	NR	NR	NR	\$3	\$871	\$1,472	\$3,238	\$4,130	(\$213)	(\$345)	(\$215)	(\$1.28)	(\$0.97)	(\$0.69)	0.6x	0.3x	0.2x	0.2x	5%	0.0%	N/A
INNV	NR	NR	NR	\$5	\$644	\$638	\$690	\$718	\$85	\$51	\$49	(\$0.36)	\$0.13	\$0.12	1.0x	0.9x	0.9x	0.8x	20%	0.0%	-20.5%
ONEM	NR	NR	NR	\$10	\$1,927	\$623	\$1,068	\$1,363	(\$35)	(\$126)	(\$86)	(\$1.64)	(\$1.81)	(\$1.58)	3.1x	1.8x	1.4x	1.1x	26%	0.0%	-550.8%
OSCR	NR	NR	NR	\$7	\$1,294	\$1,839	\$3,746	\$4,804	(\$430)	(\$487)	(\$356)	(\$3.20)	(\$2.51)	(\$1.87)	0.7x	0.3x	0.3x	0.3x	0%	0.0%	N/A
OSH	NR	NR	NR	\$22	\$5,380	\$1,433	\$2,094	\$2,911	(\$229)	(\$311)	(\$263)	(\$1.84)	(\$1.92)	(\$1.49)	3.8x	2.6x	1.8x	1.4x	N/A	0.0%	-571.9%
PRVA	NR	NR	NR	\$25	\$2,651	\$918	\$1,146	\$1,338	\$40	\$58	\$86	(\$1.81)	\$0.04	\$0.24	2.9x	2.3x	2.0x	1.8x	19%	0.0%	151.6%
Averages															1.9x	1.3x	1.1x	0.9x	13%	0.0%	-169.4%

#### Notes:

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# 1Q22 Earnings Preview: Managed Care & Healthcare Facilities Names

		1Q2	22			20228	<u> </u>			2023E				20	)24E	
·	Stephens	Street	Var (%)	Υ/Υ*	Stephens	Street	Var (%)	Υ/Υ*	Stephens	Street	Var (%)	Y/Y*	Stepho	ns Stree	: Var (%)	Υ/Υ*
							<u>M</u>	COs - Adj	usted EPS							
ANTM	\$7.78	\$7.79	-0.1%	10.9%	\$28.40	\$28.46	-0.2%	9.3%	\$32.55	\$32.22	1.0%	14.6%	\$37.0	5 \$36.84	0.6%	13.8%
CI	\$5.04	\$5.17	-2.6%	6.5%	\$22.50	\$22.49	0.1%	9.9%	\$25.10	\$25.09	0.0%	11.5%	\$28.0	0 \$27.79	0.7%	11.6%
CNC	\$1.70	\$1.68	1.0%	4.1%	\$4.39	\$5.41	-18.8%	-14.8%	\$5.35	\$6.31	-15.1%	21.9%	\$6.6	\$7.68	-14.1%	23.3%
HUM	\$7.00	\$6.82	2.6%	-8.8%	\$24.10	\$24.12	-0.1%	16.8%	\$27.35	\$27.33	0.1%	13.5%	\$31.0	0 \$30.38	2.0%	13.3%
MOH	\$4.65	\$4.66	-0.1%	19.2%	\$17.10	\$17.18	-0.5%	26.3%	\$19.60	\$19.53	0.4%	14.6%	\$22.5	0 \$22.38	0.5%	14.8%
UNH	\$5.37	\$5.35	0.4%	1.1%	\$21.60	\$21.62	-0.1%	13.5%	\$24.65	\$24.64	0.0%	14.1%	\$28.2	0 \$28.21	0.0%	14.4%
Average	\$5.26	\$5.24	0.2%	5.5%	\$19.68	\$19.88	-3.3%	10.2%	\$22.43	\$22.52	-2.3%	15.0%	\$25.5	6 \$25.55	-1.7%	15.2%
							MCO	s - Reven	ue (\$ in mil.)							
ANTM	\$36,922	\$37,304	-1.0%	15.0%	\$152,100	\$152,754	-0.4%	11.1%	\$163,374	\$161,076	1.4%	7.4%	\$177,3	52 \$173,17	2 2.4%	8.6%
CI	\$43,947	\$43,455	1.1%	7.2%	\$177,135	\$179,219	-1.2%	1.7%	\$185,250	\$188,294	-1.6%	4.6%	\$196,2			5.9%
CNC	\$34,952	\$34,389	1.6%	16.6%	\$137,256	\$136,620	0.5%	8.9%	\$144,241	\$140,428	2.7%	5.1%	\$154,8			7.3%
HUM	\$23,646	\$23,429	0.9%	17.5%	\$92,716	\$92,399	0.3%	11.1%	\$99,949	\$100,464	-0.5%	7.8%	\$108,9			9.0%
МОН	\$7,400	\$7,526	-1.7%	13.5%	\$29,505	\$29,826	-1.1%	6.2%	\$31,312	\$30,859	1.5%	6.1%	\$34,34		4 2.7%	9.7%
UNH	\$79,131	\$78,660	0.6%	12.7%	\$319,303	\$318,914	0.1%	11.0%	\$350,094	\$345,491	1.3%	9.6%	\$384,6			9.9%
Average		\$37,460	0.3%	13.8%	\$151,336	\$151,622	-0.3%	8.4%	\$162,370	\$161,102	0.8%	6.8%	\$176,0			8.4%
							Prov	iders - A	djusted EPS							
ACHC	\$0.65	\$0.64	2.0%	39.1%	\$3.03	\$2.97	1.8%	12.1%	\$3.33	\$3.31	0.7%	10.1%	\$3.65	\$3.70	-1.5%	9.3%
HCA	\$4.35	\$4.34	0.2%	4.9%	\$19.05	\$18.94	0.6%	8.8%	\$20.80	\$20.72	0.4%	9.2%	\$22.8	0 \$23.34	-2.3%	9.6%
THC	\$1.14	\$1.04	9.1%	-12.3%	\$6.72	\$6.48	3.6%	-11.2%	\$7.50	\$7.43	0.9%	11.6%	\$8.26	\$8.47	-2.5%	10.1%
UHS	\$2.57	\$2.51	2.5%	5.4%	\$12.45	\$12.28	1.4%	5.3%	\$13.95	\$13.75	1.4%	12.0%	\$15.6	5 \$15.26	2.5%	12.2%
Average	\$2.18	\$2.13	3.4%	9.3%	\$10.31	\$10.17	1.9%	3.7%	\$11.40	\$11.30	0.8%	10.7%	\$12.5	9 \$12.69	-1.0%	10.3%
							Provide	ers - Reve	nue (\$ in mil.)							
ACHC	\$606	\$607	-0.2%	9.9%	\$2,575	\$2,572	0.1%	11.3%	\$2,798	\$2,788	0.4%	8.7%	\$3,05	0 \$3,082	-1.1%	9.0%
HCA	\$15,025	\$14,802	1.5%	7.5%	\$61,390	\$61,146	0.4%	4.5%	\$65,484	\$64,566	1.4%	6.7%	\$69,63	8 \$68,28	2 2.0%	6.3%
THC	\$4,777	\$4,728	1.0%	-0.1%	\$19,708	\$19,833	-0.6%	1.1%	\$20,765	\$20,715	0.2%	5.4%	\$21,88	8 \$21,92	5 -0.2%	5.4%
UHS	\$3,328	\$3,222	3.3%	10.5%	\$13,575	\$13,354	1.7%	7.4%	\$14,341	\$14,092	1.8%	5.6%	\$15,14	0 \$14,88	7 1.7%	5.6%
Average	\$5,934	\$5,840	1.4%	6.9%	\$24,312	\$24,226	0.4%	6.1%	\$25,847	\$25,540	1.0%	6.6%	\$27,42	9 \$27,04	4 0.6%	6.6%
						Pr	oviders -	Adjusted	EBITDA (\$ in mi	l. <u>)</u>						
ACHC	\$133	\$134	-0.5%	11.1%	\$594	\$595	-0.2%	6.3%	\$653	\$658	-0.6%	10.0%	\$719	\$728	-1.3%	10.0%
HCA	\$3,058	\$3,068	-0.3%	0.2%	\$12,900	\$12,845	0.4%	2.0%	\$13,656	\$13,436	1.6%	5.9%	\$14,46	5 \$14,28	1 1.3%	5.9%
THC	\$761	\$762	-0.1%	-2.1%	\$3,513	\$3,489	0.7%	0.9%	\$3,755	\$3,736	0.5%	6.9%	\$4,02	5 \$4,050	-0.6%	7.2%
UHS	\$424	\$405	4.9%	-0.6%	\$1,881	\$1,915	-1.8%	-1.0%	\$1,971	\$2,024	-2.6%	4.8%	\$2,08	3 \$2,126	-2.0%	5.7%
Average	\$1,094	\$1,092	1.0%	2.1%	\$4,722	\$4,711	-0.2%	2.0%	\$5,009	\$4,963	-0.3%	6.9%	\$5,32	3 \$5,296	-0.7%	7.2%

# 1Q22 Earnings Preview: Post-Acute & Home Health Names

		1Q	22			20221	Ε			20231	Ε			202	4E	
	Stephens	Street	Var (%)	Υ/Υ*	Stephens	Street	Var (%)	Υ/Υ*	Stephens	Street	Var (%)	Υ/Υ*	Stephens	Street	Var (%)	Υ/Υ*
							<u>P/</u>	AC - Adjus	ted EPS							
ADUS	\$0.71	\$0.79	-9.7%	-3.6%	\$3.90	\$3.77	3.3%	10.6%	\$4.45	\$4.20	5.9%	14.1%	\$5.00	\$4.75	5.2%	12.4%
AMED	\$1.15	\$1.12	2.7%	-25.2%	\$5.32	\$5.34	-0.4%	-10.4%	\$6.20	\$6.38	-2.9%	16.5%	\$7.10	\$7.45	-4.7%	14.5%
AVAH	\$0.11	\$0.11	2.0%	29.3%	\$0.46	\$0.55	-15.7%	13.3%	\$0.56	\$0.66	-15.8%	20.9%	\$0.66	\$0.71	-6.9%	18.9%
EHC	\$0.91	\$0.91	-0.2%	-13.6%	\$4.12	\$4.10	0.5%	-2.7%	\$4.60	\$4.58	0.5%	11.6%	\$5.14	\$5.24	-1.8%	11.8%
ENSG	\$0.98	\$0.97	1.2%	12.3%	\$4.08	\$4.05	0.9%	12.2%	\$4.50	\$4.46	1.0%	10.3%	\$4.95	\$4.82	2.8%	9.9%
LHCG	\$1.05	\$1.06	-0.9%	-24.3%	\$5.89	\$5.78	1.9%	3.0%	\$6.80	\$6.73	1.1%	15.6%	\$7.70	\$7.32	5.2%	13.1%
PNTG	\$0.08	\$0.08	10.0%	-22.2%	\$0.66	\$0.61	9.0%	44.0%	\$0.85	\$0.83	2.3%	28.3%	\$1.05	\$1.05	-0.1%	23.0%
Average	\$0.71	\$0.72	0.7%	-6.8%	\$3.49	\$3.46	-0.1%	10.0%	\$3.99	\$3.98	-1.1%	16.8%	\$4.51	\$4.48	-0.1%	14.8%
							PAC	- Revenue	e (\$ in mil.)							
ADUS	\$228	\$227	0.2%	11.1%	\$970	\$952	1.8%	12.2%	\$1,050	\$1,012	3.8%	8.3%	\$1,137	\$1,103	3.1%	8.3%
AMED	\$564	\$558	1.0%	5.0%	\$2,351	\$2,356	-0.2%	6.2%	\$2,576	\$2,593	-0.6%	9.6%	\$2,859	\$2,915	-1.9%	11.0%
AVAH	\$480	\$484	-0.8%	15.0%	\$1,975	\$1,977	-0.1%	17.7%	\$2,133	\$2,136	-0.1%	8.0%	\$2,367	\$2,504	-5.4%	11.0%
EHC	\$1,338	\$1,322	1.3%	8.8%	\$5,466	\$5,450	0.3%	6.7%	\$5,886	\$5,910	-0.4%	7.7%	\$6,334	\$6,401	-1.0%	7.6%
ENSG	\$700	\$704	-0.6%	11.6%	\$2,954	\$2,948	0.2%	13.1%	\$3,304	\$3,219	2.6%	11.8%	\$3,660	\$3,504	4.5%	10.8%
LHCG	\$570	\$575	-0.8%	8.7%	\$2,512	\$2,494	0.7%	13.2%	\$2,761	\$2,736	0.9%	9.9%	\$3,007	\$2,979	0.9%	8.9%
PNTG	\$111	\$110	1.0%	9.8%	\$455	\$456	-0.2%	7.0%	\$499	\$502	-0.6%	9.6%	\$551	\$551	0.0%	10.5%
Average	\$570	\$569	0.2%	10.0%	\$2,383	\$2,376	0.4%	10.9%	\$2,601	\$2,587	0.8%	9.3%	\$2,845	\$2,851	0.0%	9.7%
							PAC - Ad	iusted EB	ITDA (\$ in mil.)							
ADUS	\$21	\$23	-7.0%	9.7%	\$108	\$105	2.0%	10.2%	\$120	\$116	3.7%	11.7%	\$133	\$127	4.2%	10.5%
AMED	\$63	\$59	6.0%	-20.0%	\$282	\$281	0.6%	-5.8%	\$325	\$329	-1.2%	15.2%	\$371	\$379	-2.0%	14.2%
AVAH	\$52	\$52	-0.8%	18.6%	\$215	\$223	-3.4%	16.2%	\$245	\$247	-0.7%	14.0%	\$280	\$291	-3.9%	14.0%
EHC	\$243	\$242	0.6%	-3.1%	\$1,045	\$1,042	0.3%	1.7%	\$1,144	\$1,139	0.4%	9.4%	\$1,253	\$1,261	-0.6%	9.5%
ENSG	\$90	\$90	0.6%	11.7%	\$378	\$378	-0.2%	12.2%	\$423	\$421	0.6%	12.0%	\$473	\$473	0.0%	11.9%
LHCG	\$53	\$54	-0.9%	-13.6%	\$281	\$281	0.1%	5.7%	\$326	\$322	1.2%	16.1%	\$370	\$357	3.6%	13.5%
PNTG	\$5	\$5	4.8%	-14.7%	\$36	\$34	5.1%	35.2%	\$45	\$45	-1.3%	25.1%	\$54	\$54	0.0%	20.8%
Average	\$75	\$75	0.5%	-1.6%	\$335	\$335	0.6%	10.8%	\$375	\$374	0.4%	14.8%	\$419	\$420	0.2%	13.5%

# 4Q21 Earnings: Median MCO EPS +90% Y/Y & Median HC Providers EBITDA Down ~1% Y/Y

					Es	tablishe	d Managed	Care Orga	nizations (N	/ICOs)					
		4Q21 I	Revenue (	\$Mil.)	4Q21	Adjusted	I EPS	Price Pe	rformance	Yea	ar-Over-Ye	ear Trends	St	reet 2022E E	PS
	Report Date	Reported	Street	Variance	Reported	Street	Variance	+1D Post Earnings	Since Jan. 19th	Revenue Growth	EPS Growth	Chg in Adj Net Margin	Pre 4Q21 EPS	Post 4Q21 EPS	Chg
ANTM	1/26/2022	\$36,018	\$36,500	-1.3%	\$5.14	\$5.11	0.6%	-2.4%	2.1%	14.2%	102.0%	147 bps	\$28.59	\$28.46	-0.5%
CI	2/3/2022	\$45,676	\$43,920	4.0%	\$4.77	\$4.72	1.1%	-5.4%	-0.6%	9.6%	36.0%	40 bps	\$22.47	\$22.49	0.1%
CNC	2/8/2022	\$32,568	\$32,500	0.2%	\$1.01	\$0.98	3.1%	6.0%	7.0%	15.1%	119.2%	89 bps	\$5.44	\$5.41	-0.5%
HUM	2/2/2022	\$21,054	\$21,220	-0.8%	\$1.24	\$1.16	6.9%	2.7%	13.3%	10.5%	NM	235 bps	\$23.89	\$24.12	1.0%
МОН	2/9/2022	\$7,409	\$7,190	3.0%	\$2.88	\$2.75	4.7%	-0.4%	10.7%	41.5%	NM	287 bps	\$16.91	\$17.18	1.6%
UNH	1/19/2022	\$73,743	\$72,982	1.0%	\$4.48	\$4.30	4.2%	0.3%	4.8%	12.6%	77.7%	209 bps	\$21.63	\$21.62	0.0%
	Medi	an:		0.6%			3.6%	0.0%	5.9%	13.4%	89.8%	178 bps			0.0%

						Healthcar	re Facilities	and Home	Care Provi	ders					
		4Q21 I	Revenue (\$	Mil.)	4Q21 Adjus	ted EBIT	DA (\$Mil.)	Price Per	formance	Yea	r-Over-Ye	ar Trends	Stre	et 2022E EBI	TDA
								+1D Post	Since Jan.	Revenue	EBITDA	Chg in Adj	Pre 4Q21	Post 4Q21	
	Report Date	Reported	Street	Variance	Reported	Street	Variance	Earnings	19th	Growth	Growth	<b>EBITDA Margin</b>	EBITDA	EBITDA	Chg
НСА	1/27/2022	\$15,064	\$15,410	-2.2%	\$3,149	\$3,200	-1.6%	-4.6%	5.3%	5.4%	1.0%	-91 bps	\$12,941	\$12,838	-0.8%
THC	2/7/2022	\$4,856	\$5,000	-2.9%	\$1,017	\$858	18.6%	5.8%	11.9%	-1.2%	-21.6%	-547 bps	\$3,395	\$3,488	2.7%
UHS	2/24/2022	\$3,275	\$3,140	4.3%	\$452	\$468	-3.4%	6.2%	14.7%	6.1%	-17.6%	-397 bps	\$1,936	\$1,881	-2.8%
ACHC	2/28/2022	\$593	\$588	0.9%	\$156	\$140	11.7%	6.9%	14.4%	9.6%	-1.1%	-287 bps	\$580	\$593	2.3%
ADUS	2/24/2022	\$225	\$226	-0.7%	\$27	\$24	9.5%	12.9%	1.7%	14.6%	27.5%	121 bps	\$103	\$104	0.2%
AMED	2/23/2022	\$559	\$556	0.7%	\$65	\$62	4.4%	9.7%	18.1%	1.6%	-17.1%	-260 bps	\$297	\$284	-4.4%
AVAH	3/28/2022	\$411	\$446	-7.7%	\$46	\$47	-3.2%	-2.3%	-23.2%	-2.7%	0.5%	35 bps	\$232	\$232	0.0%
EHC	2/1/2022	\$1,319	\$1,310	0.7%	\$253	\$260	-2.8%	2.5%	9.6%	8.6%	5.3%	-59 bps	\$1,072	\$1,042	-2.8%
ENSG	2/9/2022	\$693	\$667	4.0%	\$88	\$84	4.9%	5.3%	12.7%	10.2%	20.0%	104 bps	\$371	\$378	1.8%
LHCG	2/23/2022	\$583	\$583	0.2%	\$62	\$63	-2.9%	6.3%	11.5%	9.6%	-10.0%	-229 bps	\$286	\$281	-1.9%
PNTG	2/28/2022	\$112	\$107	4.3%	\$5	\$10	-51.1%	-7.6%	-9.3%	3.5%	-41.0%	-337 bps	\$40	\$34	-16.6%
	Median: 0.7%			0.7%			-1.6%	5.8%	11.5%	6.1%	-1.1%	-229 bps			-0.8%

# COVID-19 Impacts: Health Care Facilities & Post-Acute Care (PAC)

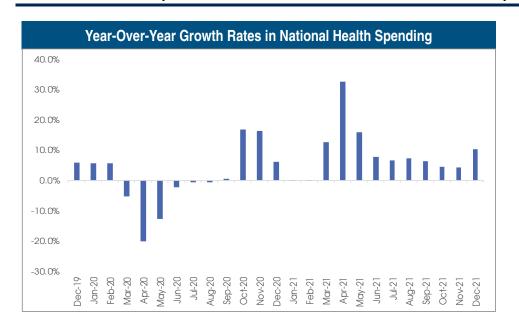
#### Acute Care / Behavioral Facilities

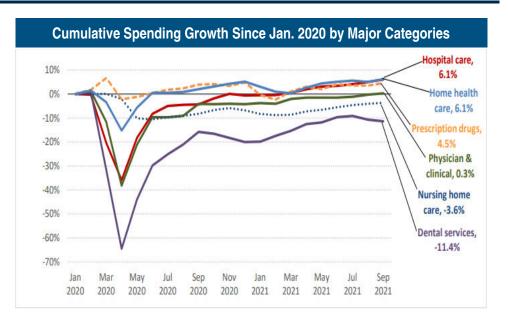
- Beginning in mid-March 2020, hospitals saw declines of 50%-80% y/y in outpatient surgical volumes, 40%-50% in inpatient surgical volumes, and 25%-30% in admissions due to COVID-19. These declines continued in early April 2020 before recovering sequentially in the early summer months. By July 2020, our covered companies reported volumes ~7%-10% off pre-COVID baselines, and then trends stabilized in generally similar patterns (~5%-10% off pre-COVID baselines depending on service line) in the subsequent months.
- Industry expectations were that volumes would show continued sequential improvement throughout 2H20. However, a second wave of C-19 in the winter impacted non-COVID hospital volumes in 4Q20 / 1Q21.
- By 2Q21, hospital volumes recovered sharply on pent-up demand post roll-out of vaccines. In 3Q21, COVID hospitalizations again surged on the delta variant while non-COVID related volumes moderated, albeit by not the same level as observed during the prior COVID surges. In 4Q21, COVID hospitalizations spiked again on the Omicron variant. Non-COVID volumes came down but not by as much observed during the prior surges.
- While the COVID pandemic has created a range of challenges for acute care hospitals, the investor-owned hospital chains have reported stronger than expected margins driven by higher acuity, favorable payer mix, and in certain cases such as THC, beneficial application of substantial CARES PRF grant funds into EBITDA.

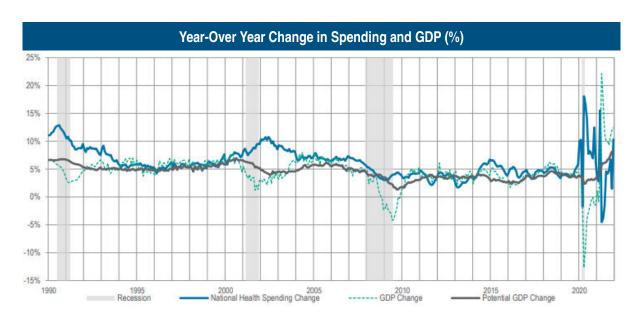
#### Post-Acute Care

- Most PAC names reported strong starts to 1Q20, with growth pacing relatively well vs. internal expectations through early-March. However, by mid-March operators started to see declines in volumes, which accelerated into the first half of April. Home health segments of AMED, EHC, LHCG, and PNTG saw admission declines of ~20%-30%+, although trends stabilized in the back half of April before improving further throughout May-July. Most recently, home health admissions trends have now largely returned to pre-crisis run-rate levels, and in some instances are above pre-COVID baselines, despite ongoing impacts from the pandemic during 2021.
- In Hospice, the most significant impacts have been on length of stay, which particularly pressured ADC in 1H21. Hospice was the main M&A focus for 2020, after earlier expectations for a strong pipeline of HH M&A activity in 2H20 as a result of PDGM disruptions.
- The SNF industry as a whole saw a sharply negative impact from COVID in 2020 due to the highly susceptible populations they serve; however, ENSG's operations have remained strong despite these headwinds. After the roll-out of the vaccines, we have seen occupancy improve in a linear manner for the SNF industry throughout most of 2021.
- Both the acute and post-acute provider industries faced rising pressure on labor and wages in 2021 as the prolonged nature of the pandemic created a range of challenges along with the impact of various government stimulus programs on overall labor supply in the U.S. economy.

# COVID-19 Impacts: Healthcare Utilization and Spending Through December 2021





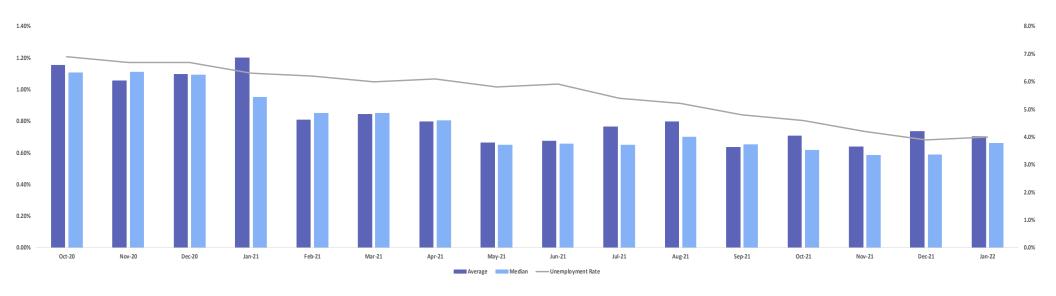


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# COVID-19 Impacts: Y/Y and YTD Growth in Counter-Cyclical Medicaid Enrollment

																	Y/Y Change (%) Most Recent
State AK	Oct-20 0.60%	Nov-20 0.45%	Dec-20 0.46%	Jan-21 0.60%	Feb-21 0.67%	Mar-21 0.78%	Apr-21 0.95%	May-21 0.63%	Jun-21 0.61%	Jul-21 4.16%	Aug-21 1.72%	Sep-21 0.26%	Oct-21 0.76%	Nov-21 0.04%	Dec-21 0.45%	Jan-22 0.59%	Month
AR	0.60%	1.14%	0.46%	0.80%	0.67%	0.78%	0.95%	0.03%	0.81%	0.60%	0.66%	0.26%	0.76%	0.04%	0.45%	0.59%	12.20% 7.79%
AZ	0.77%	1.10%	0.93%	1.05%	1.05%	0.85%	0.66%	0.78%	0.28%	0.73%	0.63%	0.77%	0.65%	0.58%	0.69%	0.55%	9.17%
CA	0.76%	0.57%	1.22%	0.92%	1.05%	0.85%	1.01%	0.54%	0.50%	0.54%	0.59%	0.52%	-	-	-	-	8.55%
со	1.82%	1.39%	1.44%	1.43%	1.04%	0.97%	0.84%	0.82%	0.75%	0.74%	0.86%	0.72%	0.71%	0.71%	0.69%	0.95%	10.26%
СТ	1.10%	1.12%	1.11%	0.95%	0.63%	0.83%	0.50%	0.51%	1.10%	0.02%	0.48%	0.11%	0.22%	0.47%	0.83%	0.11%	5.95%
DE	1.12%	0.79%	1.01%	0.90%	1.02%	1.02%	0.82%	0.62%	0.78%	0.77%	0.82%	0.77%	0.77%	0.79%	0.89%	0.82%	10.35%
FL	1.66%	1.30%	1.21%	1.46%	1.18%	1.21%	0.79%	1.16%	1.01%	0.51%	0.94%	0.81%	0.92%	0.67%	0.49%	0.92%	11.13%
GA	1.63%	1.34%	1.13%	1.33%	-	-	1.04%	0.82%	0.89%	0.86%	0.95%	0.92%	0.93%	0.82%	0.75%	-	12.21%
HI	1.79%	1.46%	1.98%	3.93%	1.33%	0.17%	0.71%	0.65%	0.77%	1.34%	1.47%	0.16%	-	-	-	-	16.89%
IA	1.09%	0.99%	0.90%	0.97%	1.01%	0.70%	0.63%	0.82%	0.36%	0.59%	0.77%	0.22%	0.59%	0.53%	0.16%	0.65%	6.26%
IN KS	1.60% 1.13%	1.76% 0.54%	1.60% 0.86%	1.33% 0.77%	1.19% 0.93%	1.43% 1.01%	0.95% 0.54%	1.13% 0.52%	0.78% 0.93%	0.75% 0.52%	1.24% 0.58%	0.48% 0.95%	1.08% 0.59%	1.01% 0.49%	0.62% 0.72%	1.34% 0.85%	12.66% 8.99%
KY	-0.13%	-0.49%	-1.68%	-	-	0.63%	0.69%	0.32%	0.76%	-6.69%	0.34%	0.54%	0.20%	1.52%	0.72%	0.83%	NM
LA	0.92%	1.04%	1.13%	0.72%	0.60%	0.72%	0.53%	0.47%	0.49%	0.57%	0.61%	0.32%	0.46%	0.42%	0.49%	0.47%	6.32%
MD	1.07%	0.89%	1.32%	0.89%	0.71%	0.68%	0.79%	0.72%	0.55%	0.67%	0.64%	0.54%	0.65%	0.49%	0.45%	-	8.06%
MI	1.49%	1.26%	0.62%	1.16%	0.88%	0.98%	0.66%	0.74%	0.53%	0.47%	0.81%	0.28%	0.27%	-0.36%	0.41%	0.25%	6.09%
MN	1.23%	1.08%	0.81%	1.51%	1.16%	0.96%	1.22%	0.93%	0.66%	1.04%	0.68%	0.68%	0.53%	0.50%	0.38%	0.59%	9.72%
МО	2.14%	1.50%	1.45%	1.63%	0.88%	1.02%	1.33%	0.98%	0.89%	1.04%	1.00%	0.50%	2.40%	1.53%	4.14%	1.12%	18.12%
MS	1.01%	0.76%	0.78%	0.79%	0.60%	0.78%	0.58%	0.58%	0.54%	0.32%	0.47%	0.39%	0.25%	0.32%	0.41%	0.36%	5.75%
MT	1.49%	1.49%	2.29%	3.25%	1.13%	1.14%	0.88%	1.15%	0.72%	0.86%	0.67%	0.70%	0.51%	0.53%	1.16%	1.15%	11.13%
NC	1.09%	1.10%	0.82%	1.08%	1.10%	1.18%	0.94%	0.68%	0.70%	0.80%	0.56%	0.76%	0.74%	0.63%	0.71%	0.73%	9.97%
NH	1.16% 1.05%	1.82% 1.01%	2.13% 0.75%	0.83% 1.04%	0.53% 1.21%	1.15% 0.94%	0.87% 0.73%	0.57% 0.60%	0.64% 0.54%	0.56% 0.61%	0.78% 0.64%	0.77% 0.79%	1.38% 0.37%	1.04% 0.63%	1.07% 0.67%	0.53%	10.69% 8.57%
NM	0.70%	0.71%	1.07%	0.64%	0.45%	0.46%	0.75%	0.34%	0.34%	0.52%	0.56%	0.75%	0.39%	0.38%	0.42%	0.35%	4.92%
NV	1.54%	1.23%	0.89%	1.62%	1.01%	1.13%	1.22%	0.59%	0.65%	0.85%	1.19%	0.20%	0.89%	0.74%	-	-	12.28%
NY	1.53%	1.23%	1.33%	2.28%	0.02%	-0.72%	0.83%	0.68%	0.57%	0.63%	0.06%	0.59%	0.42%	0.15%	0.50%	0.73%	4.55%
ОН	0.84%	0.81%	0.82%	0.71%	0.65%	0.78%	0.47%	0.44%	0.57%	0.55%	0.61%	0.57%	0.57%	0.51%	0.46%	0.53%	6.91%
ОК	1.41%	1.22%	0.99%	0.87%	0.46%	0.85%	0.90%	0.32%	1.36%	8.27%	2.50%	1.79%	2.22%	1.71%	1.76%	1.47%	26.04%
OR	0.94%	1.27%	1.87%	1.37%	0.82%	0.84%	1.10%	0.64%	0.57%	0.90%	0.71%	1.09%	0.34%	0.68%	0.92%	0.77%	9.78%
PA	0.94%	0.85%	1.20%	0.89%	0.71%	0.86%	0.58%	0.39%	0.63%	0.60%	0.72%	0.33%	0.95%	0.73%	0.56%	-	8.25%
SC	1.11%	1.35%	0.99%	0.90%	0.98%	0.95%	0.83%	0.82%	0.27%	0.56%	0.81%	0.71%	0.30%	0.83%	0.58%	0.63%	8.59%
SD	1.21%	0.96%	1.02%	0.83%	0.62%	0.95%	0.76%	0.64%	0.79%	0.73%	0.81%	0.76%	0.62%	0.73%	0.78%	0.38%	9.33%
TN	0.72%	0.65%	0.83%	0.80%	0.56%	0.78%	0.60%	0.82%	0.55%	0.42%	0.66%	0.35%	0.61%	0.57%	0.47%	0.53%	7.16%
TX VA	1.26% 1.25%	1.18% 1.13%	1.04% 1.41%	0.92% 1.56%	0.70% 0.94%	0.92% 0.82%	0.93% 1.13%	0.86% 0.86%	0.88% 0.76%	0.86% 0.76%	0.92% 0.83%	0.70% 1.06%	0.68%	0.15% 0.78%	0.39%	1.10%	9.27% 11.51%
WA WA	0.87%	0.83%	1.41%	0.80%	0.56%	0.82%	0.44%	0.86%	0.76%	0.76%	0.83%	0.61%	0.94%	0.78%	0.98%	0.66%	7.34%
WI	1.37%	1.20%	1.42%	1.29%	0.93%	0.85%	0.44%	0.75%	0.75%	0.76%	0.63%	0.63%	0.60%	0.57%	0.72%	0.71%	9.12%
wv	0.90%	1.39%	1.42%	1.02%	0.53%	1.20%	0.95%	0.55%	0.61%	0.52%	0.66%	0.81%	0.63%	0.58%	0.50%	0.52%	8.37%
Average	1.15%	1.06%	1.09%	1.20%	0.81%	0.84%	0.80%	0.66%	0.67%	0.77%	0.80%	0.63%	0.71%	0.64%	0.74%	0.70%	9.68%
Median	1.11%	1.11%	1.09%	0.95%	0.85%	0.85%	0.80%	0.65%	0.66%	0.65%	0.70%	0.65%	0.62%	0.58%	0.59%	0.66%	9.12%
Gainers	39	39	39	39	38	38	40	40	40	39	40	40	38	36	36	30	39
Decliners	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

# COVID-19 Impacts: M/M Growth in Medicaid Enrollment vs. National Unemployment Rate

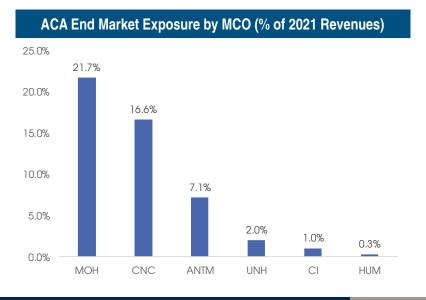


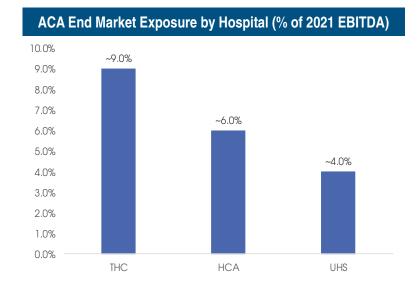
# Legislative Outlook: Expect Incremental Enhancements Under Biden Regime in DC

#### Blue Sweep / SCOTUS Ruling Put the ACA on More Stable Political Ground After Elevated Period of Uncertainty Under Trump

- The Blue Sweep in the 2020 election enabled Democrats to push through some incremental initiatives to strengthen the position of the ACA in 2021, although many of these actions will be temporary in nature.
- Democrats are also pursuing permanent increases to ACA subsidies for both the exchanges and Medicaid expansion and increased funding for Medicaid HCBS as part of their budget reconciliation strategy, although passage of these initiatives remains uncertain in 2022 given the failure of Build Back Better to gain full support from Senators Manchin and Sinema.
- Key policy risks include potential PBM market reforms (for certain MCOs), heightened antitrust scrutiny, and MA reimbursement / risk coding changes.

End Mar	ket Expos	ure by MC	CO (% of 2	021 Reve	nues)	
	ANTM	CI	CNC	ним	МОН	UNH
Commercial	32%	16%	15%	10%	8%	22%
Medicare	16%	6%	16%	82%	13%	36%
Medicaid	44%	2%	65%	6%	78%	19%
Other	7%	75%	4%	3%	0%	23%





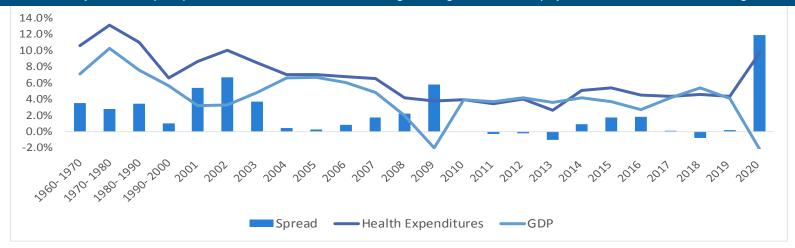
# Overview of Key ACA Provisions & Market Impacts

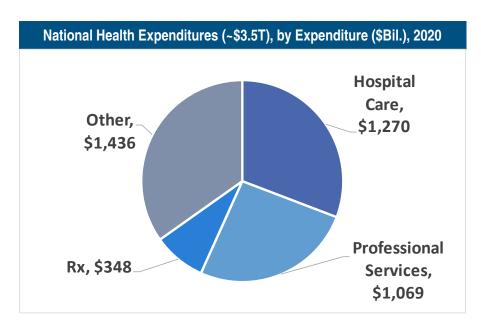
Key ACA Provisions	People Impacted / Dollars Involved
Medicaid Expansion Eligibility	In June 2021, there were 18.7 million Medicaid expansion enrollees in the 37 states and DC that had adopted the expansion. Of those enrollees, ~14.8 million were newly eligible due to the ACA's Medicaid expansion.
Subsidies for Non-Group Health Insurance	As of September 2021, 12.2 million individuals were enrolled in the ACA federal and state marketplaces, including 2.8 million individuals added due to Biden's SEP's during 2021. There are also about 1 million people enrolled in the Basic Health Plans in Minnesota (~105,000) and New York (~900,000).
Dependent Coverage to Age 26	~2.3 million young adults gained Commercial group coverage as a result of this provision.
Health Insurance Exchanges	~12.2 million people enrolled in ACA exchanges as of 9/21 including 2.8 million from Biden's SEP.
Protections for Pre-existing Conditions	54 million people (27% of non-elderly population) have a pre-existing condition. Key new regulations relating to this provision include individual mandate, community rating, guaranteed issue, age rating bands.
Minimum Medical Loss Ratios (MLRs)	In total, \$8 billion in medical loss ratio rebates have been issued across the individual, small group, and large group markets, from 2012 to 2020.
Medicare Advantage Cuts	MA reimbursements were slashed by \$350 billion over 10 yrs. (2016-2025).
Provider / DSH Rate Cuts	CBO estimated repeal of ACA provider cuts would increase Medicare spending by \$350 billion from 2016-2025.
Behavioral Health Parity	~15 million Medicaid expansion enrollees receive services for ABP.
Part D Coverage Gap	As of December 2021, ~24 million people enrolled in Part D. In 2018, more than 5 million LIS enrollees had spending in the coverage gap and received discounts averaging \$1,184 on branded drugs.
Medicaid Drug Rebate Percentage	CBO estimated federal savings of \$38 billion over 10 years from ACA's Medicaid prescription drug provisions.
Cost Sharing Limits in MA Plans	As of December 2021, ~28 million people are enrolled in MA plans.

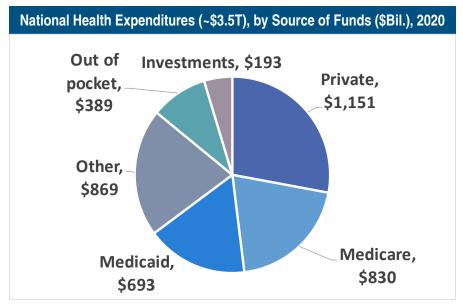
# Introduction to Healthcare Services

# U.S. Health Care Industry Overview – Key Charts

National Health Expenditures (NHE) vs. Nominal GDP, Annual Percentage Changes, 1960-2020 ("spread" shows HC excess cost growth vs. GDP)







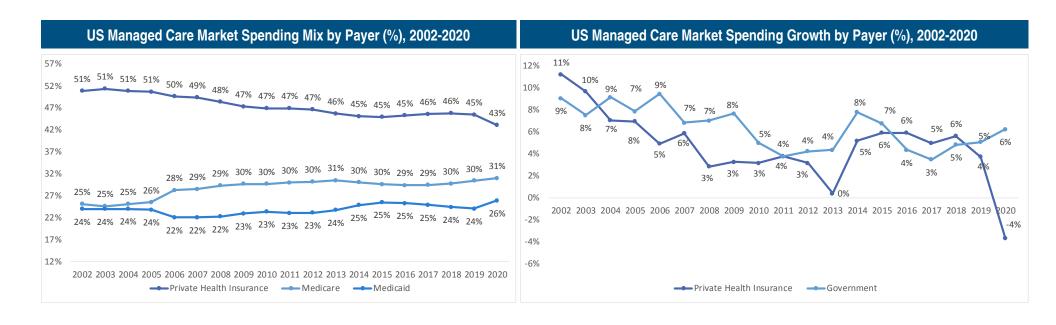
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# U.S. Managed Care (MCOs) – Key End Markets - Business Model Overview

- Commercial Market: ~188 million enrolled w/ aggregate annual spend of ~\$1.15 trillion. The majority of enrollments are in employer-sponsored self-funded (ASO) products (~111 mil.), where employers take on medical claims risk and health plans are paid an administrative fee to manage the plans. The remaining 77 million lives are in fully-insured plans where health plans are paid a premium to take on underwriting risk; enrollment is split between employer-sponsored (~60 mil.) and individually purchased (~17 mil.) coverage. The individual market includes both the ACA "ObamaCare" exchanges (~13 mil.) and off-exchange markets (~4 mil.)
  - Revenue growth profile: +3%-5%, driven primarily by premium pricing with membership generally growing in line with population.
  - Monthly Premiums (PMPMs) (\$): Commercial Risk: ~\$400-\$600; Commercial ASO Fees: ~\$20-\$40.
  - <u>Pre-Tax margin profile:</u> Fully-Insured: Mid- to high-single digits (Employer) / 3%-6% (Individual); ASO: mid- to high-teens.
- **Medicare Market:** ~62 million enrolled w/ aggregate spend of ~\$830 billion ~44% enrolled in a Medicare Advantage (MA) plan, the private Medicare option. The remainder enrolled in Medicare fee-for-service (FFS); most also purchase Medicare Supplement & Part D plans.
  - MA revenue growth profile: +9%-12%, driven by +7%-10% annual membership growth with pricing updates in the +1%-3% range.
  - Monthly MA Premiums (PMPMs) (\$): ~\$950-\$1,100.
  - MA pre-tax margin profile: High-end of ~3%-5% range generally targeted for government-sponsored health insurance.
- Medicaid Market: ~76 million enrolled w/ aggregate spend of ~\$671 billion. Roughly 3/4 are enrolled in a managed Medicaid plan, the private health Medicaid option. The remainder are in Medicaid FFS. Managed Medicaid plans represent ~52% of total Medicaid spend. Higher-acuity enrollees are still skewed towards Medicaid FFS products but with ongoing conversion to Managed. Each state manages its own Medicaid program in partnership w/ the federal government.
  - <u>Managed Medicaid revenue growth profile:</u> Highly variable over time, driven by economic and political cycles along with ongoing mix shift of higher acuity cohorts to managed Medicaid. Same-store (SS) core rate updates trend in 0%-2% range while SS enrollment is highly cyclical. Premium growth seeing favorable mix shift as higher acuity (i.e., higher PMPM) transitions to managed Medicaid.
  - Managed Medicaid PMPMs (\$): Lower acuity (TANF/CHIP/Expansion): ~\$200-\$500; Higher Acuity (LTS/LTSS/Duals): ~\$1,000-\$3,000.
  - Managed Medicaid pre-tax margin profile: Low end of ~3%-5% range generally targeted for government-sponsored health insurance.

# U.S. Managed Care Industry – Key End Markets Profile

Spending (\$Bil.)	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Private Health Insurance (PHI)	\$537.0	\$588.9	\$630.4	\$674.2	\$707.3	\$748.7	\$770.0	\$795.1	\$820.1	\$851.1	\$877.9	\$881.3	\$926.9	\$981.6	\$1,039.6	\$1,091.1	\$1,152.2	\$1,195.1	\$1,151.4
Medicare	265.4	282.7	311.1	339.8	403.7	432.7	467	498.6	519.5	544.6	568.4	588.9	617.6	647.8	675.8	704.7	749.1	799.4	829.5
Medicaid	253.6	275.3	297.9	317	315.1	335	354.6	385.8	408.9	418.7	435.5	458.7	511.4	557.4	581.6	596.3	614.6	633.4	692.5
Total	\$1,056	\$1,147	\$1,239	\$1,331	\$1,426	\$1,516	\$1,592	\$1,680	\$1,749	\$1,814	\$1,882	\$1,929	\$2,056	\$2,187	\$2,297	\$2,392	\$2,516	\$2,628	\$2,673
Mix (%)	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Private Health Insurance	51%	51%	51%	51%	50%	49%	48%	47%	47%	47%	47%	46%	45%	45%	45%	46%	46%	45%	43%
Medicare	25%	25%	25%	26%	28%	29%	29%	30%	30%	30%	30%	31%	30%	30%	29%	29%	30%	30%	31%
Medicaid	24%	24%	24%	24%	22%	22%	22%	23%	23%	23%	23%	24%	25%	25%	25%	25%	24%	24%	26%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Growth Y/Y (%)	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Private Health Insurance	11.2%	9.7%	7.0%	6.9%	4.9%	5.9%	2.8%	3.3%	3.1%	3.8%	3.1%	0.4%	5.2%	5.9%	5.9%	5.0%	5.6%	3.7%	-3.7%
Medicare	7.1%	6.5%	10.0%	9.2%	18.8%	7.2%	7.9%	6.8%	4.2%	4.8%	4.4%	3.6%	4.9%	4.9%	4.3%	4.3%	6.3%	6.7%	3.8%
Medicaid	11.1%	8.6%	8.2%	6.4%	-0.6%	6.3%	5.9%	8.8%	6.0%	2.4%	4.0%	5.3%	11.5%	9.0%	4.3%	2.5%	3.1%	3.1%	9.3%
Total	10.1%	8.6%	8.1%	7.4%	7.1%	6.3%	5.0%	5.5%	4.1%	3.8%	3.7%	2.5%	6.6%	6.4%	5.0%	4.1%	5.2%	4.5%	1.7%



Source: CMS and Stephens. Page 18

### Acute Care Hospitals - Business Model Overview

#### For-Profit Hospital Market Footprint:

- Investor-owned (for-profit) hospitals represent ~20% of the ~5,000 community hospitals in the U.S. Non-government non-profits comprise ~60% of the hospital market while state / local government hospitals comprise the remaining 20%.
- Hospitals in our coverage (HCA, THC, UHS) have significant footprints in the southern U.S., notably in Texas and Florida, two states that when combined represent 55%, 43%, and 42% of total beds for HCA, UHS, and THC, respectively.

#### LT Growth Targets:

- HCA: Revenue / EBITDA growth +5%-6%+, split roughly even between adjusted admissions +2%-3% and pricing +2%-3%.
- UHS: Acute care (revenue growth +5%-6%, EBITDA growth +6%-7%); Behavioral (revenue growth +5%, EBITDA growth +6%-7%).
- THC: EBITDA growth +2%-3% for Hospital Operations, +10%-15% for Ambulatory, and +4%-7% for Conifer (rev. cycle mgmt. biz).

#### Acute Care Payer Mix:

- On average, our coverage derives ~55% of acute care hospital net revenues from commercial payers, with the remaining coming from Medicare (~30%), Medicaid (~10%), Self-Pay/Other (~5%).
- Commercial tends to represent a vastly disproportionate amount of profit dollars as both actual annual reimbursement dollars and annual rate updates (+3%-5% for commercial vs. +2%-3% for Medicare and +1%-2% for Medicaid) are superior to government-sponsored payers, creating the phenomenon known as "cost-shifting" in the U.S. health care system.

#### Adjusted EBITDA Margins:

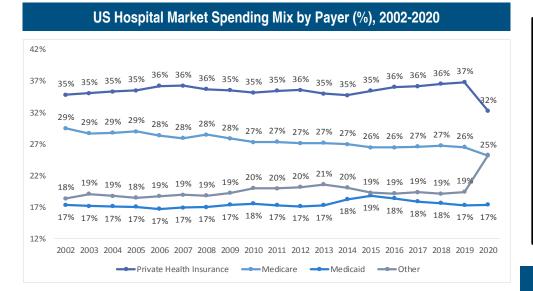
• HCA, THC, and UHS generate adjusted EBITDA margins in the range of 15%-20%. HCA tends to operate at the high-end of this range given its urban market focus and operational acumen.

# U.S. Hospital Industry Market Profile

Spending (\$Bil)	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Private Health Insurance (PHI)	\$169	\$184	\$200	\$216	\$236	\$251	\$257	\$274	\$284	\$295	\$312	\$317	\$326	\$350	\$373	\$390	\$410	\$438	\$409
Medicare	\$144	\$151	\$163	\$176	\$185	\$193	\$206	\$215	\$221	\$228	\$238	\$246	\$254	\$262	\$274	\$286	\$300	\$316	\$319
Medicaid	\$84	\$90	\$97	\$104	\$109	\$117	\$123	\$134	\$142	\$144	\$151	\$157	\$172	\$186	\$191	\$193	\$198	\$207	\$221
Other HI	\$27	\$31	\$34	\$36	\$38	\$39	\$43	\$48	\$51	\$53	\$54	\$57	\$61	\$64	\$66	\$70	\$71	\$74	\$80
Other Third Party	\$47	\$52	\$54	\$57	\$63	\$69	\$66	\$75	\$84	\$85	\$92	\$97	\$97	\$97	\$102	\$107	\$111	\$121	\$208
Out of Pocket Total	\$15	\$17	\$18	\$20	\$21	\$23	\$24	\$25	\$27	\$28	\$31	\$33	\$31	\$30	\$31	\$32	\$33	\$36	\$33
Total	\$487	\$526	\$565	\$609	\$651	\$692	\$722	\$771	\$809	\$833	\$878	\$907	\$941	\$989	\$1,035	\$1,078	\$1,123	\$1,192	\$1,270
Mix (%)	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Private Health Insurance	35%	35%	35%	35%	36%	36%	36%	35%	35%	35%	36%	35%	35%	35%	36%	36%	36%	37%	32%
Medicare	29%	29%	29%	29%	28%	28%	28%	28%	27%	27%	27%	27%	27%	26%	26%	27%	27%	26%	25%
Medicaid	17%	17%	17%	17%	17%	17%	17%	17%	18%	17%	17%	17%	18%	19%	18%	18%	18%	17%	17%
Other HI	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%
Other Third Party	10%	10%	10%	9%	10%	10%	9%	10%	10%	10%	10%	11%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	16%
Out of Pocket Total	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Growth Y/Y (%)	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Private Health Insurance	10.3%	8.9%	8.2%	8.2%	9.1%	6.3%	2.8%	6.3%	3.8%	3.8%	5.8%	1.5%	3.0%	7.4%	6.4%	4.5%	5.2%	7.0%	-6.6%
Medicare	6.3%	5.2%	7.8%	8.4%	4.7%	4.5%	6.4%	4.5%	2.8%	3.1%	4.5%	3.5%	2.9%	3.2%	4.7%	4.6%	4.8%	5.2%	1.1%
Medicaid	9.0%	7.0%	7.2%	7.2%	4.8%	7.7%	4.7%	9.2%	6.1%	1.5%	4.4%	4.2%	9.4%	8.4%	2.3%	1.4%	2.6%	4.2%	6.9%
Other HI	9.6%	14.7%	7.3%	5.7%	6.5%	3.4%	10.7%	11.1%	6.9%	3.7%	2.1%	4.4%	6.9%	5.3%	3.8%	5.3%	1.4%	5.1%	8.1%
Other Third Party	4.2%	11.6%	4.4%	5.3%	10.3%	9.7%	-5.1%	14.6%	10.7%	1.2%	9.0%	5.6%	-0.1%	-0.1%	4.5%	5.4%	3.3%	9.6%	71.9%
Out of Pocket Total	10.9%	11.1%	7.6%	7.7%	7.1%	8.1%	3.5%	5.9%	8.0%	4.8%	9.2%	5.5%	-4.0%	-5.1%	3.0%	3.9%	4.7%	7.8%	-9.5%
Total	8.3%	8.1%	7.5%	7.7%	7.0%	6.3%	4.3%	6.8%	4.9%	3.0%	5.4%	3.3%	3.7%	5.2%	4.7%	4.1%	4.2%	6.2%	6.6%

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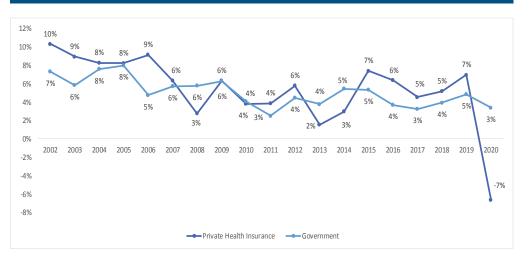
# U.S. Hospital Industry Market Profile (continued)



- Private insurance spending on hospital care has grown at 5, 10, and 15 year CAGRs of +3.1%, +3.7%, and +4.4%, respectively.
- Medicare spending on hospital care has grown at 5, 10, and 15 year CAGRs of +4.1%, +3.8%, and +4.0%, respectively.
- Medicaid spending on hospital care has grown at 5, 10, and 15 year CAGRs of +3.5%, +4.5%, and +5.2%, respectively.
- Other spending (other third party payers and out of pocket) on hospital care has grown at 5, 10, and 15 year CAGRs of +6.6%, +8.1%, and +7.9%, respectively.

- Private health insurance represents the largest payer category for hospitals, representing 32% of spending in 2020.
- The percentage of hospital spending borne by private health insurance has decreased for the first time on record in 2020.
- Medicare accounts for 25% of total hospital spending, the second largest payer category. That number has trended downward due to rate cuts implemented by the Affordable Care Act.
- Medicaid spending mix at the hospital has stood largely steadfast at around 17%-18% over the last 15 years, despite ACA Medicaid expansions.

#### US Hospital Market Spending Growth (%) - Private vs. Gov't Payers, 2002-2020



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### Overview of the Post-Acute Care Continuum

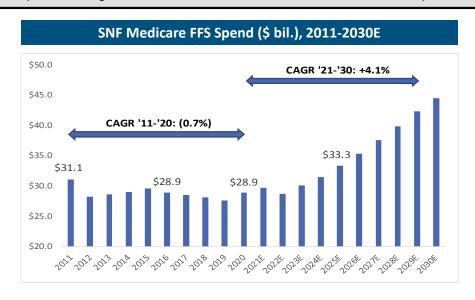
#### The Post-Acute Care Continuum:

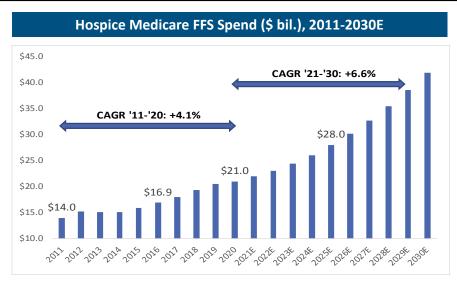
- Post-acute care (PAC) providers offer recuperation and rehabilitation services after an acute care hospital stay.
- ~40% of Medicare beneficiaries are discharged from hospitals to one of 28,000 PAC providers.
- PAC spending (including hospice) represented \$76.5 billion of Medicare FFS spending in 2019, or ~10% of Medicare's overall \$799 billion spend in 2019.

Highe	st Acuity		Lowest Acuity						
Acute Care Facility	Long-Term Acute Care Hospital	Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility	Skilled Nursing Facility	Home Health	Hospice				
	LTAC	IRF	SNF	ННА	-				
escription	Care provided for patients with serious medical problems who require intense treatment.	Therapy services provided after a hospital stay in a specialized facility.	Therapy given in an inpatient setting with nurse oversight. Can include rehabilitation.	Nursing services provided at home.	Care provided for terminally-ill patients.				
019 Medicare Spending (\$bil.)	\$3.7	\$8.7	\$25.4	\$17.8	\$20.9				
scharges / Cases	91,147	409,059	2,069,107	6,100,000	1,610,000				
oviders	351	1,113	15,156	11,456	4,840				
cility Ownership Mix	For-Profit (78%) Non-Profit (18%) Govt. (4%)	For-Profit (34%) Non-Profit (55%) Govt. (11%)	For-Profit (71%) Non-Profit (23%) Govt. (6%)	For-Profit (88%) Non-Profit (12%) Govt. (0%)	For-Profit (71%) Non-Profit (26%) Govt. (3%)				
ospital vs. Freestanding	Free-Standing (62%) Hospital-Based (38%)	Free-Standing (25%) Hospital-Based (75%)	Free-Standing (96%) Hospital-Based (4%)	Free-Standing (85%) Hospital-Based (15%)	Free-Standing (81% Hospital-Based (9% Home-Based/SNF (10				
ayment Length	Up to 90 days	Up to 90 days	Up to 100 days	60-day episodes (30-day w/PDGM)	Days 1-60/61+				
g. Length of Stay	26.8	12.6	24.8	N/A	92.6				
ase Payment	\$41,448/case	\$20,417/case	\$470 - \$544/day	\$3,167/episode	\$154 - \$1,021/day				
edicare Margin*	0.4%	14%	11%	16%	15%				

# PAC Medicare FFS Spending Trends – 10-yr Forecasted Growth Exceeds Overall FFS Trends

CMS projects Medicare FFS spending to grow at an annual rate of +4.7% through 2030. Medicare FFS spending for Hospice (+6.6% CAGR) and HHA (+6.2% CAGR) are expected to grow above that rate through 2030, while SNF spending (+4.1% CAGR) is expected to grow below the overall market. COVID will impact these "normalized" projections in the 2020-2021 period.

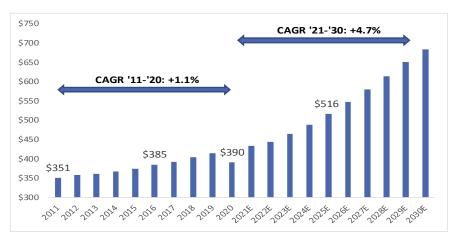




#### HHA Medicare FFS Spend (\$ bil.), 2011-2030E



#### Total Medicare FFS Spend (\$ bil.), 2011-2030E



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# **Stephens Sub-Sector Outlook**

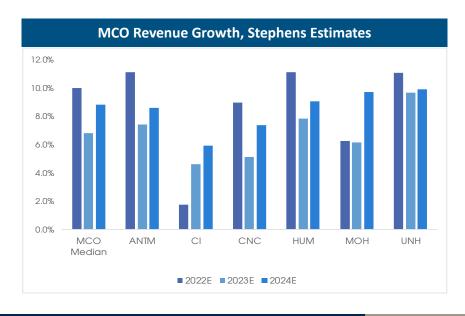
# MCO Outlook: Solid Growth Outlook But Increased Competition Represents Risk in 2022

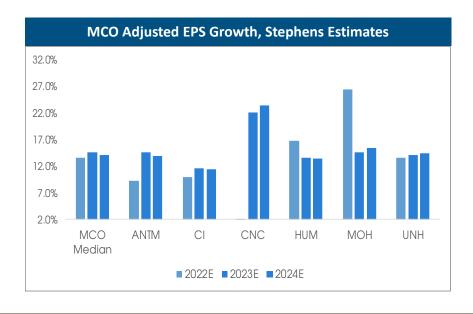
Managed Care Overall Sector Call: We have a constructive L-T view on Managed Care, with 5 of 6 covered stocks rated OW. We see a solid overall growth outlook for 2022 with ~10% median revenue growth and ~14% median adjusted EPS growth projected. Sector valuations are still mostly discounted vs. broader market. However, we have also identified a number of downside risks to the stocks, including potential for higher-than-expected medical costs, rate pressures across the segments, increased competition in MA and HIX, and legislative and policy risks.

**L-T Positive on MA:** Among the end markets, <u>Medicare Advantage</u> has the most favorable growth outlook for 2022 and beyond and is also now the key nexus of industry innovation. The key risks to MA relate to N-T COVID headwinds (lower risk scores, policy impacts, medical costs), reimbursement risk and policy uncertainty, and increased industry competition.

**Stable Commercial View but Mixed on Exchanges:** We see a generally stable outlook for the <u>Commercial</u> market. The ESI market is slower-growth and saturated but also enormous and profitable. The individual exchange market remains in a down underwriting cycle entering 2022 but has seen improved enrollment growth prospects from supportive policy actions implemented by the Biden administration.

Medicaid Market Dynamics Influenced by COVID PHE: The Medicaid market is highly cyclical from both an economic and political perspective. Medicaid enrollment has surged during the pandemic and the Blue Sweep created a much more supportive political framework for the market in Washington, DC. However, Medicaid MCOs face uncertainty from ultimate expiration of the COVID PHE and resumption of redeterminations. We see continued opportunities for growth in Medicaid but foresee ongoing margin volatility which is structurally inherent to this lower-margin end market.





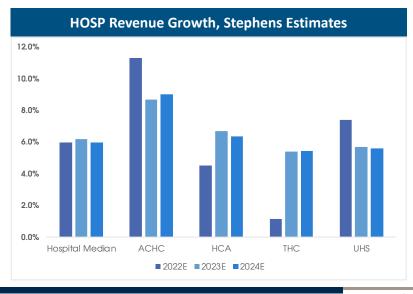
# Hospital Outlook: N-T Fundamentals Still Heavily Influenced by COVID Waves

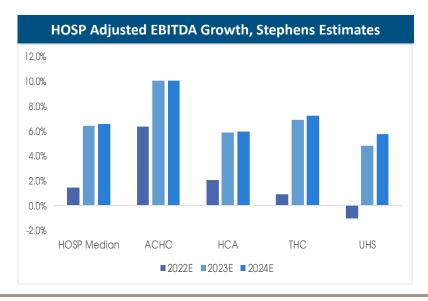
**Hospital Overall Sector Call:** Given that our hospital coverage only consists of 4 names, we see our overall sector call as less relevant than our stock-specific calls. Overall, the hospital sector faces a number of well-known secular and cyclical headwinds that make the L-T fundamentals for this group less attractive than managed care. However, we also see stock-specific catalysts and opportunities in 2022 and beyond. Overall, we project 3.5% median revenue growth and ~4% adjusted EBITDA growth for our covered hospital stocks in 2022.

**Volume Trends:** The outlook for hospital volumes in 2022 is difficult to forecast and will be highly dependent on N-T outlook for COVID. Longer term, we see continued structural headwinds for hospital industry volume growth but with demographic trends and pent-up demand (mostly among the Medicare population) post COVID providing some tailwinds.

**Pricing Trends**: Hospital revenue / admission surged in 2020-2021 on much higher acuity resulting from COVID. This trend could ultimately reverse as the pandemic nears endemic. In terms of rates by payer class, we see a stable Commercial rate outlook for 2022 of +3%-5% and continued solid Medicare reimbursement trends. Medicaid reimbursements are more modest but also generally staying positive.

**Expense Trends:** Hospitals have faced dramatically elevated supply expenses for PPE and other supplies during the pandemic which ultimately should normalize as a % of revenue. We will be paying a close eye on salary and wages in 2022 which have faced upward pressure given the enormous strain that the pandemic has placed on all aspects of the hospital labor force. Moreover, the Blue Sweep created a more supportive political backdrop for labor vs. management across the economy.





# PAC Outlook: L-T Secular & Structural Tailwinds; N-T Headwinds from COVID

PAC Growth Outlook: Overall, we project ~9% median revenue growth and ~10% adjusted EBITDA growth for our covered PAC stocks in 2022.

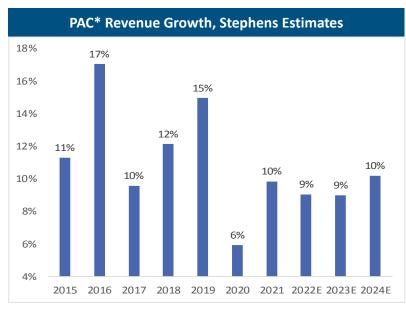
**Personal Care:** As the lowest cost form of home health (and post-acute care), many home health providers are looking to expand their personal care (PC) capabilities as a pre-acute solution for chronic care patients. PC is also an increasing clinical priority for Medicare Advantage plans, in part due to the rising interest in social determinants of health. The primary near-term challenge faced by personal care agencies relates to staffing disruptions relating to COVID and the tight overall labor market and rate pressure from Medicaid payers.

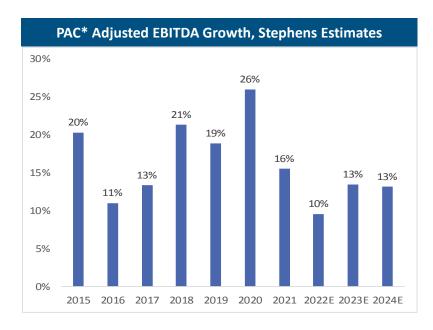
Home Health: Home health will continue to be structurally advantaged in an evolving post-acute world. The home is the most affordable setting to treat patients and as new technologies allow, even more care will be administered there. We expect above-average organic growth and strong ongoing contributions from M&A. Key business risks will include wage and staffing pressures, Medicare reimbursement risk, and mix shift headwinds from the ever-increasing market penetration of MA.

**Hospice:** The hospice benefit continues to gain broader adoption. It is a service that provides for a better end of life, while also saving Medicare money. Widespread interest from for-profit providers has resulted in hefty recent valuations for larger acquisitions, but we still see opportunities for the for-profit providers to roll up smaller hospice providers at more attractive relative valuation levels. We also see hospice continuing to increase penetration in MA driven by value-based hospice payment models.

**Skilled Nursing:** The SNF sector has been heavily disrupted by COVID and could see some recovery opportunity should the pandemic fade. However, SNFs will face pressure on utilization by both managed care and Medicare FFS, along with the loss of patients to home health. Moreover, the rising penetration rate of private Medicare Advantage plans will increasingly pressure both overall volumes and LOS in the SNF industry.

**Inpatient Rehab:** We believe IRFs are well positioned in the post-acute continuum to take on higher and lower acuity patients, although in the N-T COVID will remain the key swing factor. Our thoughts are somewhat influenced by the dominant market position of EHC.





<sup>\*</sup>Companies included: ADUS, AMED, AVAH, EHC, ENSG, LHCG and PNTG

# **Stephens Stock Calls**

# Managed Care – Stephens Coverage Universe - Stock Calls Tear Sheet

#### Anthem (ANTM) – Overweight; PT \$525

- OW rating \$525 TP, based on ~16.1x 2023E adjusted EPS.
- Fully-insured enrollment trends very strong in 2019-2022E driven by market share gains in Medicare and Medicaid. Driving above-average revenue growth trends.
- Diversified Business Group (DBG) segment will be key area for driving future growth with potential to stimulate multiple expansion if expansion strategy proven effective. This business needs a better name though.
- Effective capital deployment strategy which is well-balanced between growth-focused M&A, share buybacks, and dividends.
- Investor Pushback: N-T headwinds and uncertainty from COVID related impacts on Medicare & Medicaid rates, medical costs, and membership.

#### Centene (CNC) - Overweight; PT \$106 \*Stephens 2022 Best Ideas List Selection

- OW rating \$106 TP, based on ~16.5x 2023E adjusted EPS.
- We see most upside to L-T Adjusted EPS power in Managed Care given under-performing margins and strategic plan to improve margins / returns from 2022-2024.
- We expect CNC to achieve at least \$1.2 billion in annual gross margin and SG&A savings from 2022-2024, with potential upside from the RFP of its ~\$35 billion in annual pharmacy spend to an external PBM vendor.
- After reconstituting its Board with a new slate of proven shareholder value creators, the reconstituted Board will announce a new CEO in 2022.
- We expect CNC to close its current ~16% valuation discount to core peers HUM and MOH as it accelerates its operating performance in 2022-2024.
- Investor Pushback: exchange business seeing continued pricing and margin pressure; relative underperformance on MA Stars. Medicaid rate / margin risks.

#### Cigna (CI) - Overweight; PT \$265

- OW rating \$265 TP, based on ~10.5x 2023E adjusted EPS.
- P/E remains heavily discounted on persistent investor pushback on potential slower growth vs. peers based on structural business mix.
- ESI has delivered stronger-than-expected growth and earnings performance since the acquisition but stock has been extremely stubborn in providing much credit.
- Solid capital return outlook for 2022 with robust share buybacks likely to continue.
- U.S. Medical segment experienced increased MLR pressure in 2021 relative to company's initial expectations.
- Investor Pushback: Slower organic top-line grower post ESI deal; PBM market facing heavy regulatory and legislative scrutiny; stock seems highly dependent on market broader rotation to value to really work in a sustained way.

#### Humana (HUM) - Overweight; PT \$510

- OW rating \$510 TP, based on ~18.7x 2023E adjusted EPS.
- Most leverage to fastest growing end-market (Med Advantage), although MA individual enrollment growth will be notably lower than expected for 2022 on competition.
- Making strategic investments to drive ongoing innovation, including in value-based care & HH&H platform expansions.
- Medicaid organic growth strategy has proven to be increasingly effective, removes any need to do a large Medicaid acquisition, which would likely hurt the stock.
- <u>Investor Pushback:</u> Part D biz faces significant competitive pressure / regulatory risk; MA competition also accelerating, MA regulatory and reimbursement risks post Blue Sweep; MA margins have been performing below L-T target levels for a sustained period of time.

# Managed Care (cont.) – Stephens Coverage Universe - Stock Calls Tear Sheet

#### Molina (MOH) - Equal-Weight; PT \$333

- EW rating \$333 TP, based on ~17.0x 2023E adjusted EPS.
- Pivot to growth strategy has been playing out well overall supported by energetic M&A program, COVID-related growth in Medicaid, and renewed HIX growth in 2021.
- MOH has committed to +13%-15% L-T revenue growth and +15%-18% Adjusted EPS growth from 2022-2025 albeit with considerable contributions from M&A embedded into the outlook.
- Overall margin profile still closer to peak levels despite significant underperformance in HIX margins in 2020-2021.
- Some investors see MOH as one remaining take-out candidate among managed care names post MGLN being acquired by CNC.
- <u>Investor Pushback:</u> Business heavily levered to more cyclical Medicaid & exchange markets. MOH has established aggressive L-T growth targets that could be challenging to achieve on a sustainable basis.

#### <u>UnitedHealth (UNH) – Overweight; PT \$542</u>

- OW rating \$542 TP, based on ~22.0x 2023E adjusted EPS.
- Blue Chip name in HC Services w/ balance of offensive & defensive characteristics. Leading ability to leverage HC data and technology at global scale.
- Most visible L-T outlook w/ 10-year forecast for high-single-digit revs growth & 13%-16% EPS. Revs could exceed \$500 billion & adjusted EPS of \$50+/share by 2028.
- Dominant franchise in Medicare Advantage, the most valuable HC payer growth market.
- OptumCare could reach \$100 billion in top line by 2028, setting stage for a 10-yr. +22% top-line growth CAGR.
- <u>Investor Pushback:</u> Most popular stock in HC Services already; large exposure to passive index funds; OptumCare growth strategy more capital intensive / could lower returns; MA share gains over past several years may be unsustainable going forward w/out sacrificing margins.

# Healthcare Facilities – Stephens Coverage Universe Overview – Stock Calls Tear Sheet

#### Acadia Healthcare (ACHC) – Equal-Weight; PT \$74

- EW rating \$74 TP, based on ~12.5x 2023E adjusted EBITDA.
- U.S. behavioral business SS revs growth and M&A activity have outperformed core peer UHS in 2020-2021 with a robust bed capacity plan in place for next several years.
- Finalized UK sale provided cash for deleveraging and additional growth capital for U.S. market currently facing surging demand due to COVID pandemic.
- Company has provided strong L-T growth and margin targets for its U.S. business post sale of U.K.
- Inpatient psych market seeing accelerating labor / wage pressures.
- Investor Pushback: post COVID shift to digital platforms for behavioral care could be disruptive to ACHC's business model.

#### HCA Healthcare (HCA) – Overweight; PT \$285

- OW rating \$285 TP, based on ~8.9x 2023E adjusted EBITDA.
- Blue Chip hospital management company in the U.S.
- L-T capital spending strategy and future M&A opportunities can sustain above-average L-T organic growth.
- Leverage at the low-end of the L-T target provides ample flexibility around capital deployment.
- Risk factors; 1) COVID-19 and 2) increased macro-economic uncertainty.
- <u>Investor Pushback:</u> Acute care hospital industry is a structural loser as it relates to L-T trends in HC.

#### Tenet Healthcare (THC) – Equal-Weight (Vol.); PT \$98

- EW-V rating \$98 TP, based on ~9.1x 2023E adjusted EBITDA-NCI.
- The ASC business could continue to deliver top-tier growth and margin performance with significant deal pipeline to supplement overall growth profile post-COVID. SCD ASC deal was highly value creative.
- Persistent historical underperformance of hospital segment creates downside EBITDA risks although the segment has benefited in 2020-2021 from COVID dynamics.
- Investor Pushback: Share price volatility difficult for many investors to stomach; financial model / segment reporting structure most cumbersome in our coverage.

#### <u>Universal Health Services (UHS) – Equal-Weight; PT \$150</u>

- EW rating \$150 TP, based on ~7.7x 2023E adjusted EBITDA.
- UHS was overly optimistic on the recovery of its behavioral business over the past few years but still represents future growth opportunity.
- The Acute Care segment has faced volatility in 2020-2021 due to COVID while cyber-attack was also disruptive to UHS's business.
- Consistently low leverage seen as a source of capital deployment opportunity / share price upside for some equity investors.
- Investor Pushback:
- <u>Upside:</u> Behavioral business still has one of the strongest L-T secular demand profiles in healthcare; UHS could drive upside from a more aggressive M&A posture. <u>Downside:</u> Behavioral headwinds from labor constraints & falling lengths of stay could play out for much longer than the Street appreciates; UK business exposure.

# Post Acute Care (PAC) – Stephens Coverage Universe - Stock Calls Tear Sheet

#### Addus HomeCare (ADUS) - Overweight Rating; PT \$116

- OW rating \$116 PT, based on ~16.0x 2023E adjusted EBITDA.
- As a pure-play provider of personal care services, ADUS is the cleanest way for public investors to invest in this end market which has attractive long-term demand drivers.
- Future growth opportunity for expanded personal care services in MA.
- Solid balance sheet should support continued accretive M&A program.
- ADUS faces business risks from Medicaid reimbursement pressure, staffing challenges, and rising wage pressures, including expanded minimum wages.

#### Amedisys (AMED) – Equal-Weight Rating; PT \$172

- EW rating \$172 PT, based on ~18.9x 2023E adjusted EBITDA.
- AMED's core home health and hospice business should benefit from strong secular tailwinds over the L-T.
- Positioned to generate FCF that could sustain \$300 million annual M&A program.
- Likely to be a leader in HH&H market in pursuing value-based care partnerships with payers in MA for HH&H, as reflected in acquisition of Contessa during 2021.
- AMED endured an execution set-back in 2021 driven by COVID-related operational headwinds, creating downside pressure on Street EBITDA estimates.

#### <u>Aveanna Healthcare (AVAH) – Overweight Rating; PT \$11.50</u>

- OW rating \$11.50 TP, based on ~11.8x 2023E adjusted EBITDA.
- Legacy PDN business provides stable growth and margin profile with potential upside from Biden's HC policy agenda but N-T volume pressure from COVID.
- Build-Out of Home Health & Hospice platform represents key pillar of the L-T growth strategy.
- Cross-selling and geographic expansion supports multi-year DD organic growth in recurring revenue MS segment.
- Investing in AVAH will carry several risks, most notably a much higher debt leverage profile than HH&H peers.

#### Encompass Health (EHC) – Overweight Rating; PT \$78

- OW rating \$78 PT, based on ~10.2x 2023E adjusted EBITDA.
- We like EHC's JV strategy with acute care hospitals in the IRF business as we see a strong pipeline of opportunities given that acute care hospitals are facing pressures from declining overall inpatient volumes.
- EHC is exploring strategic review which could provide optionality for value creative event for the stock in 2022.
- HH&H fundamentals were pressured more than some peers in 2020-2021 due to COVID which could provide opportunity for sharper recovery in 2022.
- Strong L-T annual revenue and adjusted EBITDA growth targets of 8%-10% through 2025.

# Post Acute Care (PAC) – Stephens Coverage Universe - Stock Calls Tear Sheet

#### Ensign Group (ENSG) – Overweight Rating; PT \$98

- OW rating \$98 PT, based on ~13.0x 2023E adjusted EBITDA.
- We view ENSG as best-in-class operator of SNF facilities in an overall challenged industry. The ENSG management team has been able to execute against L-T PDGM strategy exceptionally well, driving robust pricing growth in 2020-2021 through improvements in skilled mix, which more than offset the industry-wide declines in volumes to drive solid y/y growth on the top- and bottom-line.
- ENSG has a successful track record of M&A turnarounds and maintains a robust pipeline of opportunities. Management expects significant opportunities to arise as a result of COVID, which provides ample runway for continued growth in earnings contributions from newly-acquired and transitioning facilities.
- COVID impact on volumes in 2020-2021 provides additional growth lever in 2022 as occupancy levels normalize across the portfolio.
- Key fundamental risks include labor and staffing pressures for the SNF industry, Medicare rate headwinds, and declines in skilled mix post COVID.

#### LHC Group (LHCG) – Overweight Rating; PT \$165

- OW rating \$165 PT, based on ~17.6x 2023E adjusted EBITDA.
- LHCG is an attractive way to play the secular tailwinds in front of the home health and hospice industry.
- LHCG has a number of positive drivers for continued growth, including its successful JV strategy.
- Expect to see LHCG increasingly focus on its MA value-based care contracting strategies.
- LHCG accelerated its M&A strategy in 2021 providing growth tailwinds for 2022 and beyond.

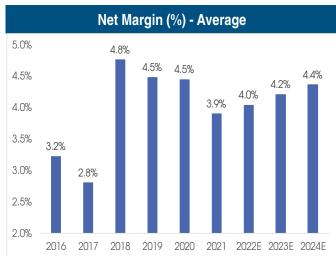
#### The Pennant Group (PNTG) – Overweight (Vol.) Rating; PT \$26

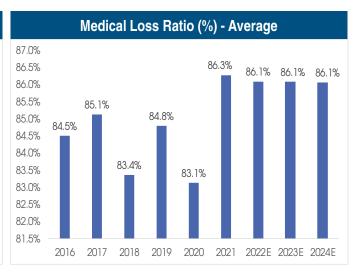
- OW-V (Vol.) rating \$26 PT, based on ~12.8x 2023E adjusted EBITDAR.
- Still in the early innings of a L-T growth story with significant exposure to the high-growth home health and hospice end markets.
- PNTG has an opportunity to outpace its peers in y/y growth off a relatively smaller base over the next several years.
- Sizeable opportunity to further drive referral relationship with ENSG; geographical overlap in post-acute assets in ~88% of PNTG's current markets.
- PNTG's HH&H and Senior Living businesses have faced pressures on occupancy, volumes and margins due to the ongoing COVID pandemic although provides opportunity for recovery play post pandemic.

# **Key Industry Forecasts**

# Managed Care – Key Industry Forecasts: Income Statement Metrics





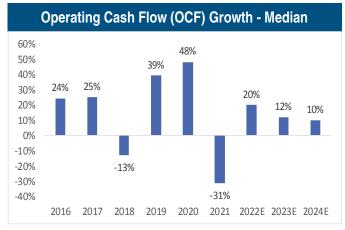


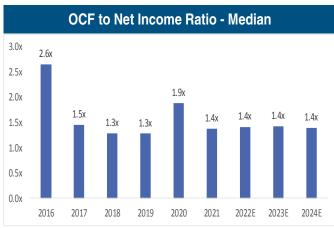


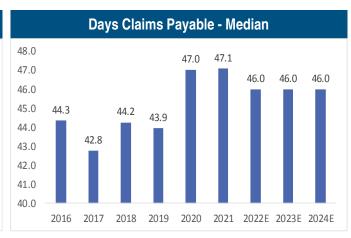


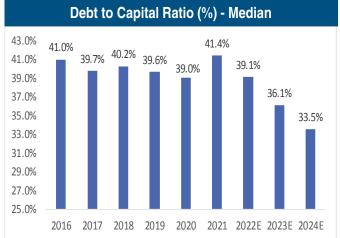


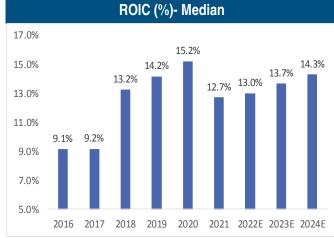
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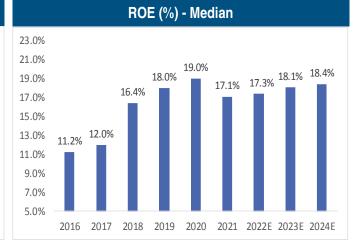






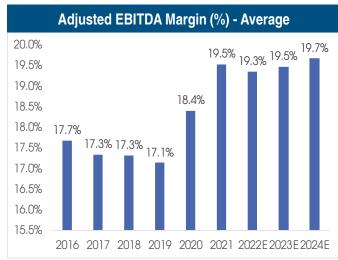


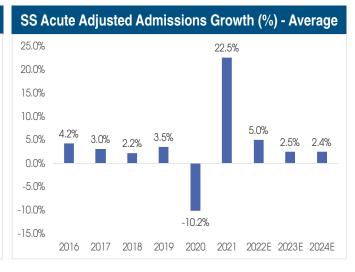


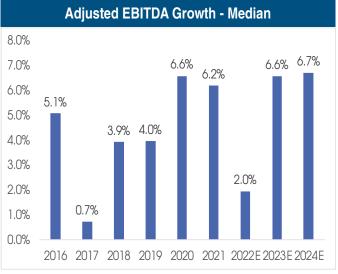


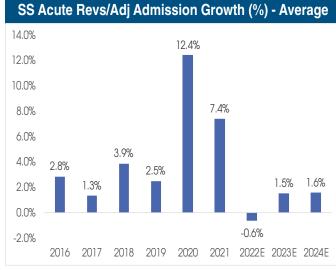
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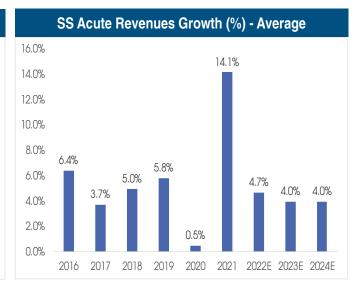




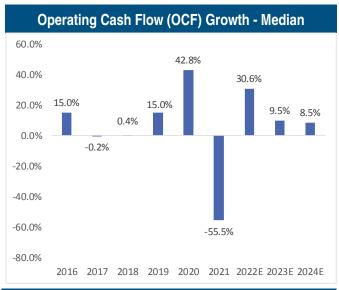


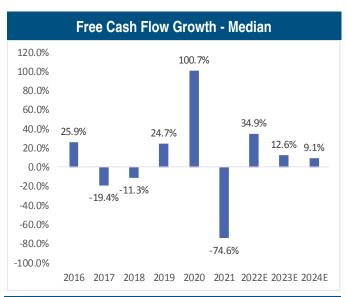


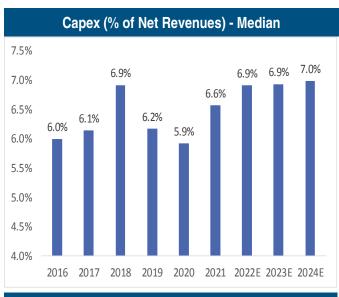


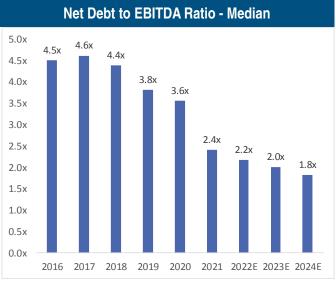


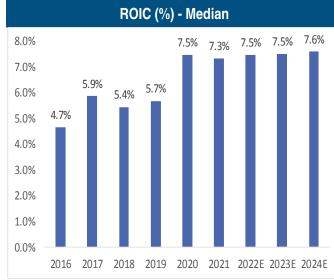
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# PAC Industry Group - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics (Median)

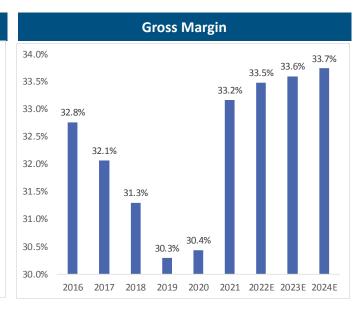




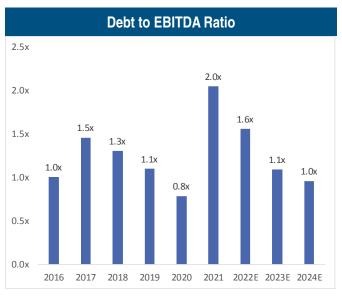


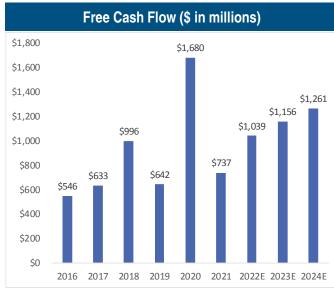


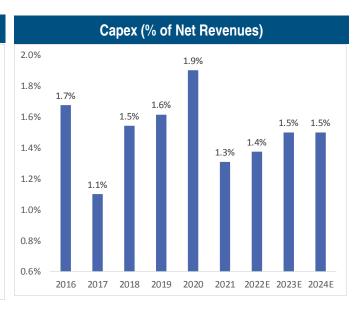


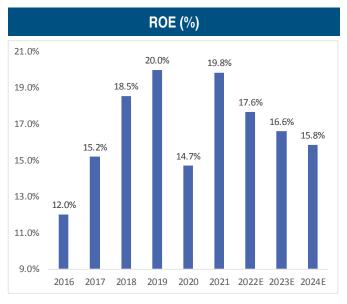


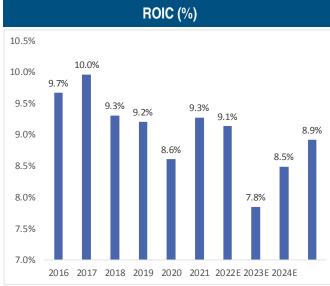
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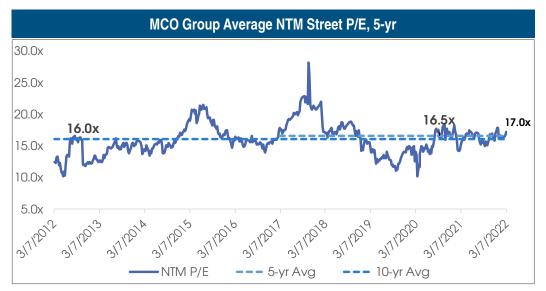


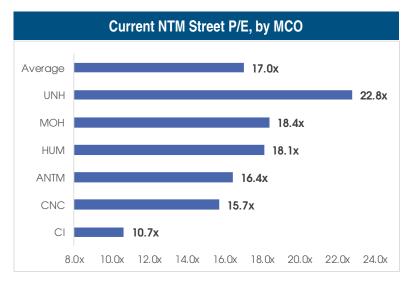


# **Valuation**

### Managed Care / HC Facilities Sector Valuations

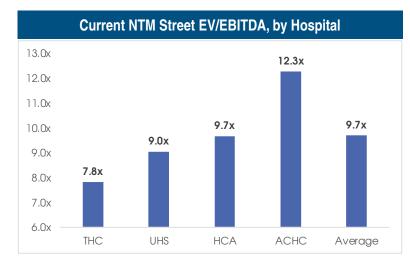
Current valuation for the Managed Care Group, based on NTM consensus P/E, at 17.0x is 0.5 turns above the 5-year average (16.5x) and 1.0 turns above the 10-year average (16.0x).





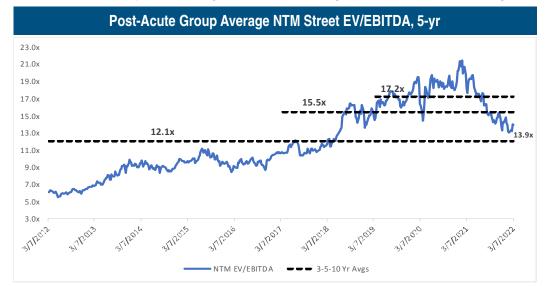
Current valuation for the HC Facilities Group, based on NTM consensus EV/EBITDA, at 9.7x reflects a 0.9 turn premium to the 5-year average (8.8x) and 0.7 turn premium to the 10-year average (9.0x).

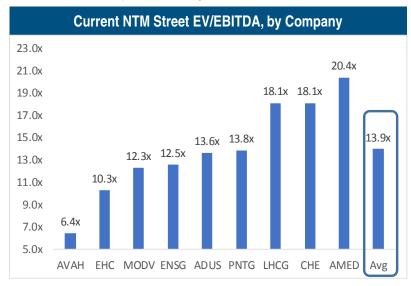




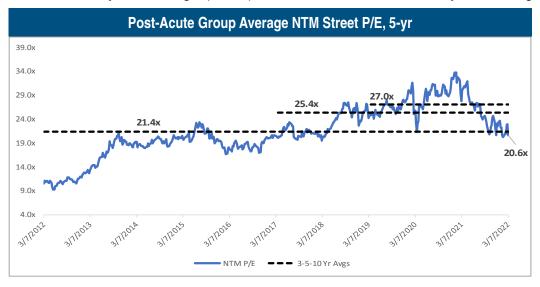
### Post-Acute Sector Valuations

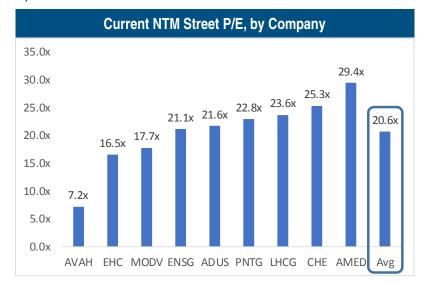
Current valuation for the Post-Acute Group, based on NTM consensus EV/EBITDA, at 13.9x reflects a 1.6 turn discount to the 5-year average (15.5x), although remains at a more significant premium to the 10-year average (12.1x).





Current valuation for the Post-Acute Group, based on NTM consensus P/E, at 20.6x reflects a 4.8 turn discount to the 5-year average (25.4x) and 0.8 turns below the 10-year average (21.4x).

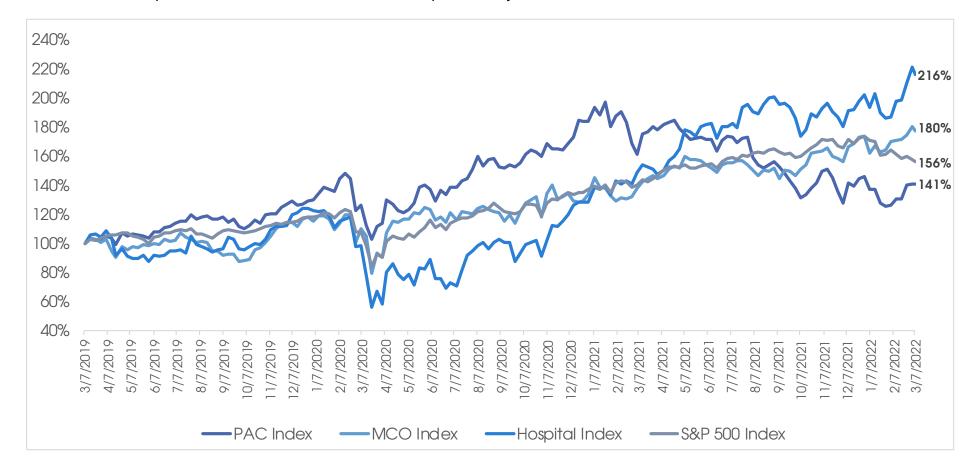




### Healthcare Services Sector Performance



The share price performances of our HC Facilities coverage (+216%) and the MCO group (+180%) have both outperformed the S&P 500 Index (+156%) over the last three years, while the Post-Acute group (+141%) has underperformed the broader market over the past three years.



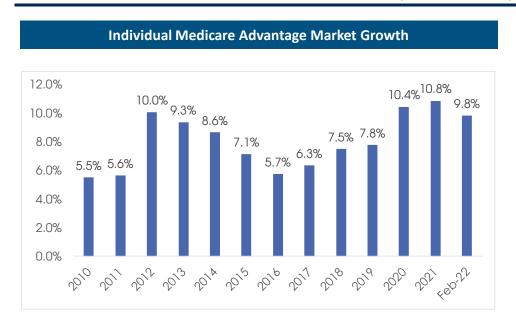
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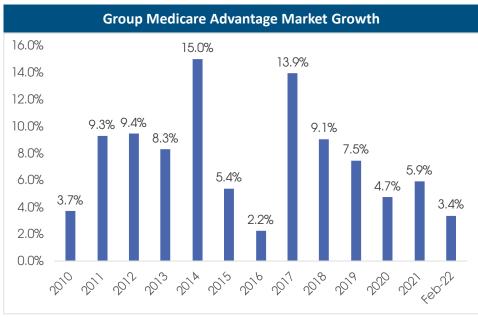
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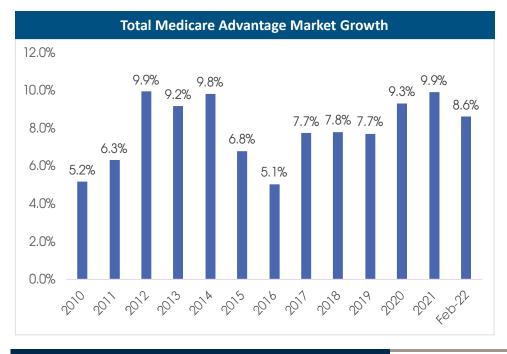
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# **Key Industry Themes**

# Total MA / PDP Membership Growth by Product (y/y), December 2009 – February 2022









# 2022 Medicare Advantage PMPM – "Same-Store" Enrollment Weighted Average by MCO

- Our analysis of enrollment weighted average Medicare Advantage monthly premiums by MCO includes only 2021 existing MA plans in order to estimate "same-store" trends in premiums for 2022. This analysis includes individual MA plans excluding SNPs.
- On an enrollment-weighted basis, our analysis of the landscape file shows that monthly premiums for existing individual MA plans (ex SNPs) will decline by ~16% in 2022.
- Among public MCOs, enrollment-weighted premiums are down the most at OSCR (-84.8% y/y), ALHC (-42.8% y/y), and CNC (-25.6% y/y).
- On an absolute basis, OSCR, CI, and ALHC have premiums that are most below the market among public MCOs for 2022.

	2021		Regional	Local			2022		Regional	Local		
MCO	Local PPO	PFFS	PPO	НМО	Cost	Total	Local PPO	PFFS	PPO	НМО	Cost	Total
Alignment	\$76.76	-	-	\$7.49	-	\$7.78	\$60.95	-	-	\$3.96	-	\$4.45
Y/Y % Growth							-20.6%	N/A	N/A	-47.2%	N/A	-42.8%
Anthem	\$56.39	=	\$81.16	\$11.84	-	\$22.81	\$34.21	-	\$75.81	\$8.84	-	\$15.19
Y/Y % Growth							-39.3%	N/A	-6.6%	-25.3%	N/A	-33.4%
Bright Health	-	-	-	\$10.65	-	\$9.95	-	-	-	\$7.82	-	\$7.79
Y/Y % Growth							N/A	N/A	N/A	-26.5%	N/A	-21.7%
Centene	\$13.09	\$28.93	-	\$5.74	-	\$7.35	\$8.53	\$26.53	-	\$4.34	-	\$5.47
Y/Y % Growth							-34.8%	-8.3%	N/A	-24.3%	N/A	-25.6%
Cigna	\$0.96	=	-	\$5.31	-	\$5.13	\$1.13	-	-	\$4.25	-	\$3.99
Y/Y % Growth							17.8%	N/A	N/A	-20.0%	N/A	-22.2%
Clover	\$14.08	-	-	\$14.64	-	\$14.13	\$12.27	-	-	\$14.43	-	\$12.47
Y/Y % Growth							-12.8%	N/A	N/A	-1.4%	N/A	-11.7%
CVS Health	\$9.45	-	\$130.94	\$9.71	-	\$9.82	\$7.89	-	\$145.23	\$5.74	-	\$7.42
Y/Y % Growth							-16.6%	N/A	10.9%	-40.9%	N/A	-24.4%
Humana	\$30.03	\$63.01	\$48.70	\$6.37	-	\$18.69	\$22.02	\$64.83	\$55.31	\$5.24	-	\$15.00
Y/Y % Growth							-26.7%	2.9%	13.6%	-17.8%	N/A	-19.7%
Kaiser	-	-	-	\$34.87	-	\$34.87	-	-	-	\$36.70	-	\$36.70
Y/Y % Growth							N/A	N/A	N/A	5.3%	N/A	5.3%
Oscar	-	-	-	\$13.30	-	\$13.30	-	-	-	\$2.02	-	\$2.02
Y/Y % Growth							N/A	N/A	N/A	-84.8%	N/A	-84.8%
UnitedHealth	\$10.93	\$60.33	\$31.97	\$11.24	-	\$13.51	\$8.94	\$69.24	\$30.61	\$10.57	-	\$11.70
Y/Y % Growth							-18.2%	14.8%	-4.3%	-6.0%	N/A	-13.4%
All Plans	\$29.80	\$57.36	\$42.43	\$20.78	\$125.84	\$25.56	\$22.59	\$60.44	\$43.83	\$17.97	\$120.18	\$21.48
Y/Y % Growth							-24.2%	5.4%	3.3%	-13.5%	-4.5%	-16.0%

### 2022 Medicare Advantage PMPM - Straight Average by MCO

- Our analysis of straight average Medicare Advantage monthly premiums by MCO includes both existing 2021 and new 2022 MA plans
  in order to estimate overall trends in premium changes for 2022. This analysis includes individual MA plans excluding SNPs.
- On a straight average basis, our analysis of the CMS landscape file shows that monthly premiums across all individual MA plans (ex SNPs) will decline by ~12% y/y in 2022.
- Among public MCOs, straight average premiums are down the most at BHG (-55.2% y/y), ALHC (-45.4% y/y), OSCR (-30.6% y/y), and ANTM (-32.8% y/y). Conversely, CNC saw straight average premiums increase by 8.4% for 2022.
- On an absolute basis, OSCR, CI, and BHG have premiums that are most below the market in 2022 among public MCOs

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MCO	<u>2021</u> Local PPO	PFFS	Regional PPO	Local HMO	Cost	Total	2022 Local PPO	PFFS	Regional PPO	Local HMO	Cost	Total
Alignment Y/Y % Growth	\$65.40	-	-	\$10.17	-	\$17.54	\$24.44 <b>-62.6</b> %	- N/A	- N/A	\$3.95 <b>-61.2%</b>	- N/A	\$9.57 <b>-45.4%</b>
Anthem Y/Y % Growth	\$27.60	-	\$64.72	\$10.65	-	\$23.02	\$15.01 <b>-45.6</b> %	- N/A	\$62.54 <b>-3.4</b> %	\$9.03 <b>-15.2%</b>	- N/A	\$15.47 <b>-32.8%</b>
Bright Health Y/Y % Growth	\$21.81	-	-	\$17.99	-	\$19.90	- N/A	- N/A	- N/A	\$9.84 <b>-45.3%</b>	- N/A	\$8.91 <b>-55.2%</b>
Centene Y/Y % Growth	\$19.99	\$54.55	-	\$6.42	-	\$11.59	\$21.90 <b>9.5</b> %	\$51.83 <b>-5.0%</b>	- N/A	\$6.54 <b>2.0%</b>	- N/A	\$12.56 <b>8.4</b> %
Cigna Y/Y % Growth	\$3.19	-	-	\$10.98	-	\$9.16	\$2.91 <b>-8.6</b> %	- N/A	- N/A	\$9.75 <b>-11.2%</b>	- N/A	\$7.77 <b>-15.2%</b>
Clover Y/Y % Growth	\$15.19	-	-	\$17.41	-	\$15.33	\$16.13 <b>6.2</b> %	- N/A	- N/A	\$17.31 <b>-0.5</b> %	- N/A	\$16.17 <b>5.5%</b>
CVS Health Y/Y % Growth	\$17.44	-	\$199.85	\$11.81	-	\$22.13	\$14.68 <b>-15.8</b> %	- N/A	\$189.15 <b>-5.4%</b>	\$8.96 <b>-24.1%</b>	- N/A	\$18.13 <b>-18.1%</b>
Humana Y/Y % Growth	\$26.87	\$60.08	\$38.09	\$11.47	-	\$30.72	\$22.71 <b>-15.5</b> %	\$62.55 <b>4.1%</b>	\$42.29 <b>11.0%</b>	\$12.02 <b>4.7%</b>	- N/A	\$29.16 <b>-5.1%</b>
Kaiser Y/Y % Growth	-	-	-	\$55.48	-	\$55.48	- N/A	- N/A	- N/A	\$51.83 <b>-6.6%</b>	- N/A	\$51.83 <b>-6.6%</b>
Oscar Y/Y % Growth	-	-	-	\$4.70	-	\$4.70	- N/A	- N/A	- N/A	\$3.26 <b>-30.6%</b>	- N/A	\$3.26 <b>-30.6%</b>
UnitedHealth Y/Y % Growth	\$12.35	\$52.00	\$33.00	\$16.57	-	\$18.90	\$10.70 <b>-13.3%</b>	\$57.00 <b>9.6%</b>	\$33.18 <b>0.5</b> %	\$15.13 <b>-8.6</b> %	- N/A	\$16.51 <b>-12.6%</b>
All Plans Y/Y % Growth	\$32.99	\$58.45	\$43.19	\$25.64	\$99.70	\$33.97	\$27.51 <b>-16.6</b> %	\$60.62 <b>3.7%</b>	\$45.74 <b>5.9%</b>	\$22.36 <b>-12.8%</b>	\$97.73 <b>-2.0%</b>	\$29.77 <b>-12.4%</b>

### 2022 Stand-Alone Part D PMPM – "SS" Enrollment Weighted & Straight Averages by MCO

- Our analysis of enrollment weighted average stand-alone individual Part D plan monthly premiums by MCO includes only 2021
  existing MA-PD plans in order to estimate "same-store" trends in premium changes for 2022.
- On an enrollment-weighted basis, our analysis of the landscape file shows that monthly premiums for existing individual Part D plans will rise +0.9% y/y in 2022. Among public MCOs, enrollment-weighted premiums are up y/y at ANTM (+27.7% y/y), CI (+22.6% y/y), and HUM (+9.4% y/y), while down at CNC (-30.5% y/y), CVS (-22.0% y/y), and UNH (-8.8% y/y).
- Our analysis of straight average stand-alone individual Part D plan monthly premiums by MCO includes both existing 2021 and new 2022 MA plans in order to estimate overall trends in premium changes for 2021.
- On a straight average basis, our analysis of the landscape file shows that monthly premiums across all individual Part D plans will increase +14.6% y/y in 2022. Among public MCOs, straight average premiums are up most at ANTM (+38.1% y/y) and HUM (+18.7% y/y).

#### "Same-Store" Enrollment Weighted Average Part D Monthly Premiums

#### **Straight Average Part D Monthly Premiums**

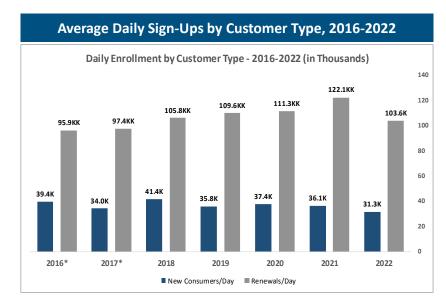
	2021			2022		
MCO	Basic	Enhanced	All	Basic	Enhanced	All
Anthem	\$71.65	\$43.47	\$52.04	\$56.64	\$76.59	\$66.45
Y/Y % Growth				-21.0%	76.2%	27.7%
Centene	\$29.29	\$27.72	\$28.35	\$29.58	\$11.95	\$19.70
Y/Y % Growth				1.0%	-56.9%	-30.5%
CVS Health	\$28.30	\$68.19	\$30.36	\$28.96	\$21.65	\$23.67
Y/Y % Growth				2.4%	-68.3%	-22.0%
CIGNA	\$31.09	\$34.53	\$32.54	\$33.61	\$44.87	\$39.91
Y/Y % Growth				8.1%	30.0%	22.6%
Humana	\$30.52	\$45.79	\$39.99	\$33.34	\$53.65	\$43.75
Y/Y % Growth				9.3%	17.1%	9.4%
UnitedHealth	\$33.08	\$74.53	\$61.82	\$39.94	\$72.66	\$56.37
Y/Y % Growth				20.7%	-2.5%	-8.8%
All Plans	\$32.14	\$50.82	\$40.95	\$37.32	\$44.32	\$41.32
Y/Y % Growth				16.1%	-12.8%	0.9%

	<u>2021</u>			2022		
MCO	Basic	Enhanced	All	Basic	Enhanced	All
Anthem	\$62.46	\$43.78	\$50.34	\$61.65	\$77.36	\$69.51
Y/Y % Growth				-1.3%	76.7%	38.1%
Centene	\$31.01	\$33.48	\$32.65	\$30.82	\$40.28	\$37.12
Y/Y % Growth				-0.6%	20.3%	13.7%
CVS Health	\$29.51	\$37.89	\$35.07	\$31.47	\$38.43	\$36.11
Y/Y % Growth				6.6%	1.4%	2.9%
CIGNA	\$33.71	\$43.36	\$40.13	\$34.17	\$47.09	\$42.79
Y/Y % Growth				1.4%	8.6%	6.6%
Humana	\$31.97	\$41.11	\$38.05	\$35.60	\$49.97	\$45.15
Y/Y % Growth				11.3%	21.6%	18.7%
UnitedHealth	\$35.67	\$61.64	\$52.43	\$41.38	\$63.76	\$55.83
Y/Y % Growth				16.0%	3.4%	6.5%
All Plans	\$40.00	\$42.70	\$41.67	\$45.01	\$49.58	\$47.76
Y/Y % Growth				12.5%	16.1%	14.6%

### 2022 Federal Exchange Landscape and Open Enrollment – Y/Y Comparison

- The 2022 open enrollment period saw a significant increase in the number of plans being offered to consumers, with the average number of QHP plans available to enrollees on federal exchanges increasing by +75%. With continued price competition on the federal exchanges, premiums for benchmark individual plans (before APTC) fell ~3% on average in 2022.
- We calculate cumulative sign-ups for federal exchanges (HIX) grew 20.7% y/y on a comparable basis during the 2022 annual enrollment period (AEP).
- Recall that ~2.8 million people enrolled in FFE plans during the 2021 Biden SEP, which occurred after the 2021 OEP was completed. Given the significant intra-year growth that occurred during 2021 from the SEP, this makes the y/y comparisons to last year's open enrollment period much less meaningful.
- While overall sign-ups increased during the 2022 AEP, the mix of new consumers declined to 16.6% of total 2022 sign-ups from 22.1% in 2021.
- Our analysis of enrollment trends are adjusted for the impacts of Kentucky, Maine, and New Mexico shifts in exchange platforms. Those three states accounted for 180,880 plan selections last year, accounting for ~2.2% of all plan selections.

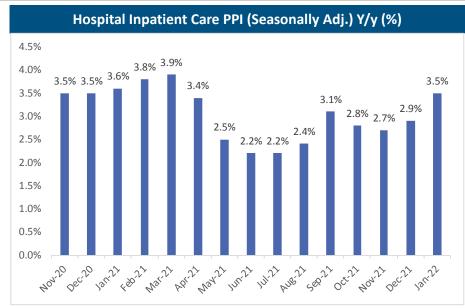
	Federal Exchange Sign-Up Trends, 2016-2022						
	<u>2016*</u>	<u>2017*</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	2022
Avg Enrollment/Day	135,267	131,387	147,221	145,463	148,735	158,244	134,943
у/у (%)		-2.9%	12.1%	-1.2%	2.2%	6.4%	-14.7%
New Consumers/Day	39,391	34,025	41,428	35,833	37,446	36,133	31,327
у/у (%)		-13.6%	21.8%	-13.5%	4.5%	-3.5%	-13.3%
Renewals/Day	95,876	97,362	105,794	109,630	111,289	122,111	103,616
у/у (%)		1.6%	8.7%	3.6%	1.5%	9.7%	-15.1%
New Consumers % Total							
Enrollment	29.1%	25.9%	28.1%	24.6%	25.2%	22.8%	23.2%
Renewals % Total Enrollment	70.9%	74.1%	71.9%	75.4%	74.8%	77.2%	76.8%
Cumulative Enrollment	7,574,960	8,014,591	7,802,721	7,564,068	7,585,488	8,070,450	10,255,636
y/y (%)		5.8%	-2.6%	-3.1%	0.3%	6.4%	27.1%

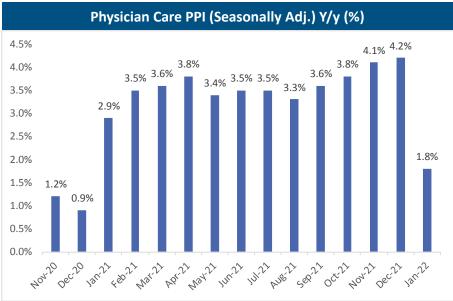


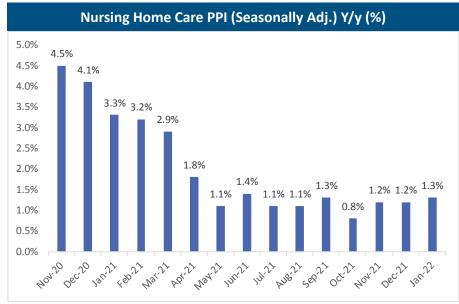
<sup>\*2016</sup> and 2017 AEP do not provide breakdown of consumer type past week 6; enrollment statistics for these AEPs are only through Week 6

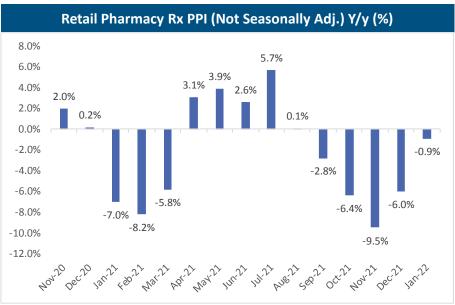
# Health Care Producer Price Indices (PPI) by Key Category

Hospital inpatient PPI accelerated sequentially in December. Meanwhile, Nursing Home Care PPI remained stable and Physician care PPI dropped sharply in January 2022 from December 2021. The highly volatile Rx PPI remained in negative territory in January from the prior year.





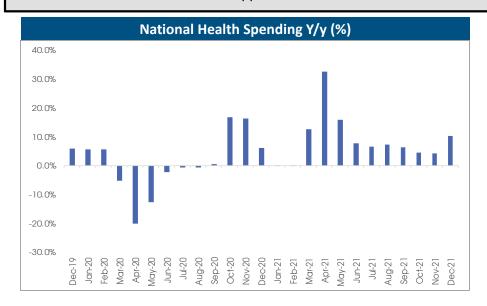


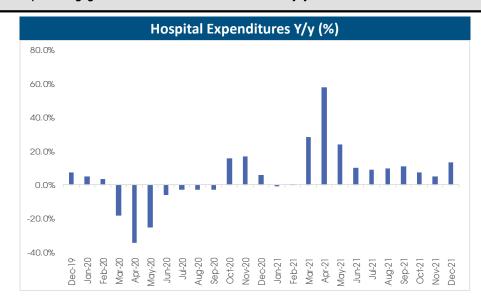


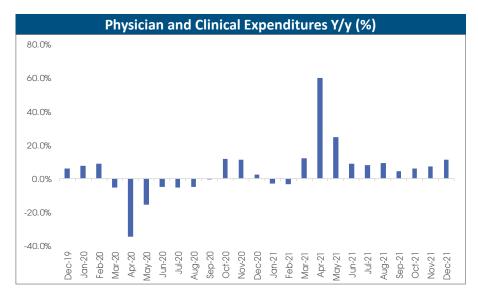
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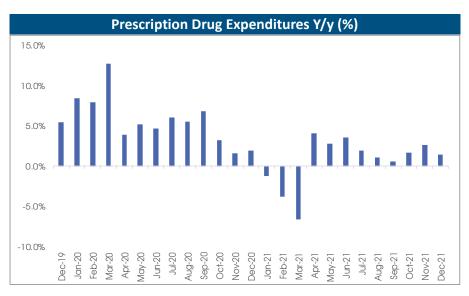
# National Health Care Spending Trends and by Key Categories

U.S. national health spending in all of 2021 rose +3.4% y/y, reflecting significant federal government support in response to COVID-induced recession in 2020 and a lower level of such support in 2021. On a normalized basis, health spending growth would have been +8.4% y/y in 2021.

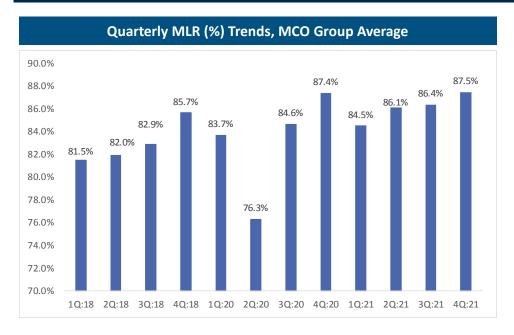


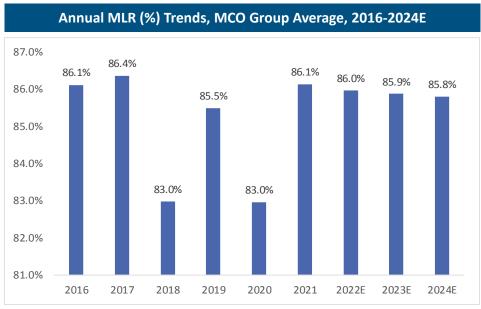




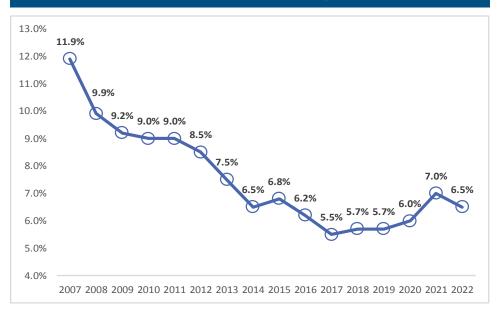


### Managed Care - MLRs / Cost Trend Summary and Key Data Points

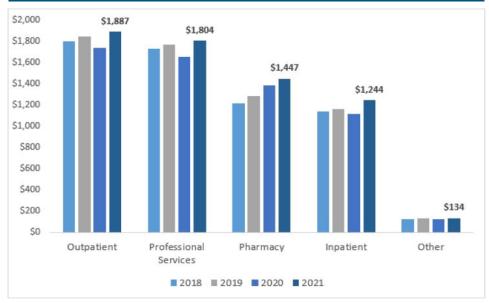








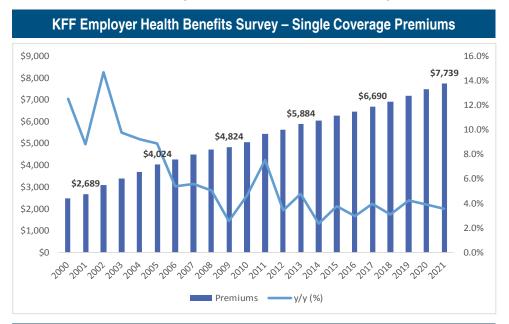
### Healthcare Spending Growth by Service Category, 2018-2021 (\$ in mil.)

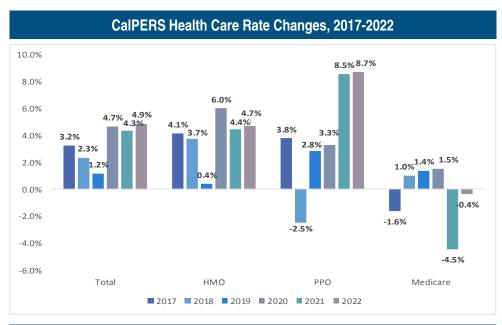


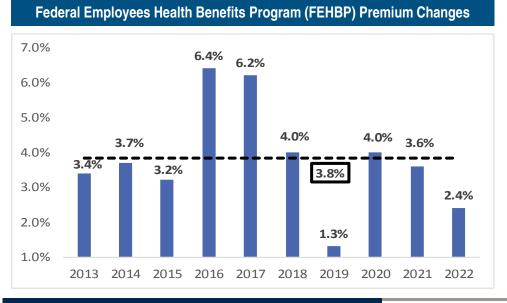
### Commercial Health Insurance Market Pricing Trends

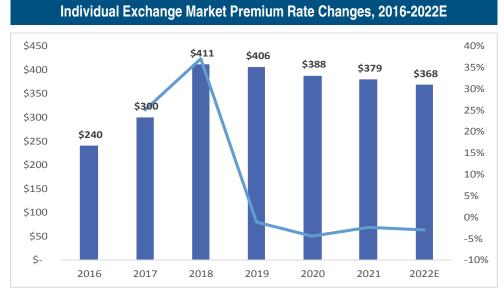


While we are observing more competitive pricing in both MA and the exchanges for 2022, the evidence so far suggests a stable pricing outlook for the commercial group market.

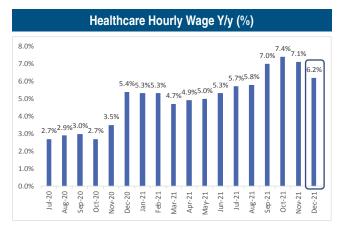


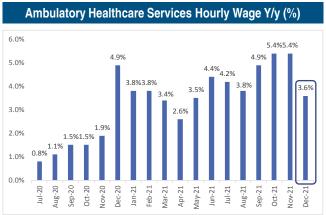


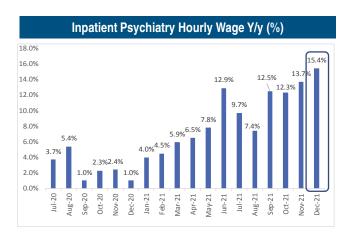


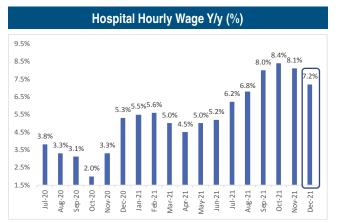


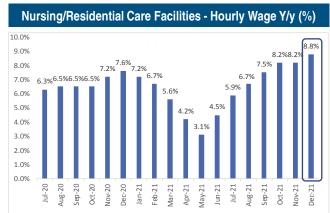
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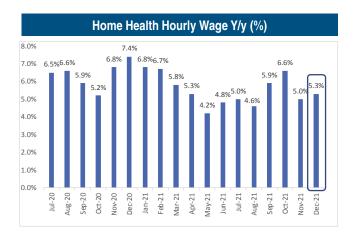












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# Stock Performance Through Presidential Election Cycles

- MCOs: The managed care group tends to outperform the S&P 500 Index by 15% in the 6 months following a presidential election, based on the median performance over the past 6 election cycles. However, in the 6 months leading up to a presidential election, MCOs have posted underperformance (-4%) vs. the S&P.
- **Hospitals:** The pattern for the hospital group is similar to the MCOs around presidential elections, with relative outperformance (+23%) in the 6 months following an election, which follows relative underperformance (-6%) in the leading 6-month period.
- PAC: Interestingly, the pattern for the PAC group is quite different from that of both the MCOs and hospitals, with the PAC group posting strong relative outperformance (+9%) in the 6 months prior to a presidential election, which is then followed by relative underperformance (-4%) in the 6-month period following an election, based on the time period observed in our analysis.

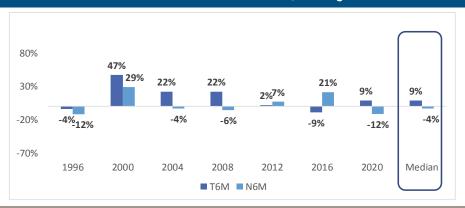
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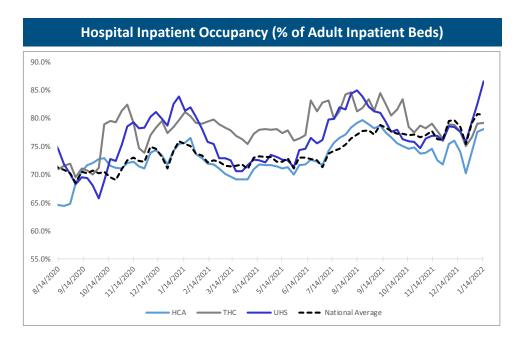
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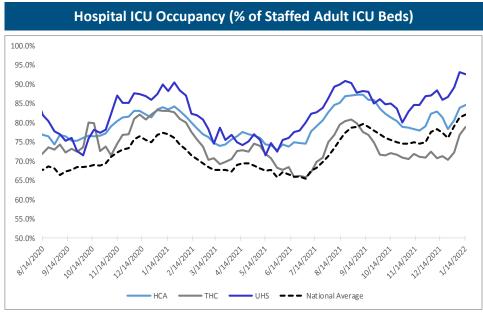


#### PAC Relative Election Performance vs. S&P 500, Trailing v. Next Six Months

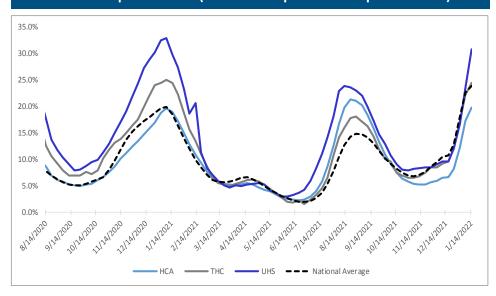


### Hospital Occupancy Trends Driven by COVID Surge Patterns During the Pandemic

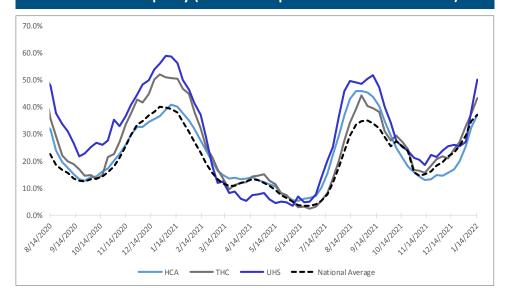




#### **COVID Hospitalizations (as % of Occupied Adult Inpatient Beds)**



#### **COVID ICU Occupancy (as % of Occupied Staffed Adult ICU Beds)**



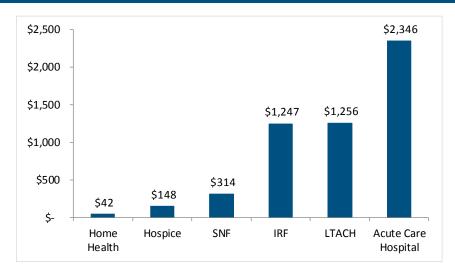
Source: HHS and Stephens Inc. Page 57

### In Home Care Setting Offers Significant Cost Savings for U.S Health System



The Simple Case for HH & Personal Care - Potential for Significant Cost Savings

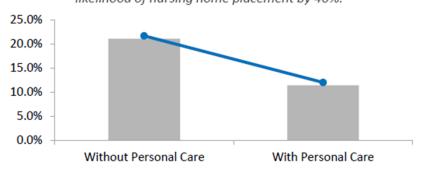
#### **Medicare FFS Cost per Day by Provider Setting - 2019**



#### **Personal Care Helps Keep People Out of Nursing Homes**

#### The American Journal Of Managed Care - February 2015

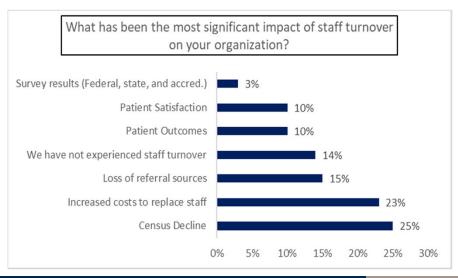
Use of a personal care assistance service reduced the likelihood of nursing home placement by 46%.

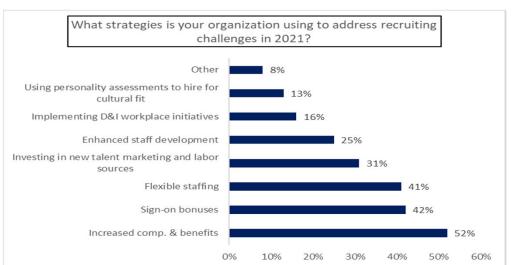




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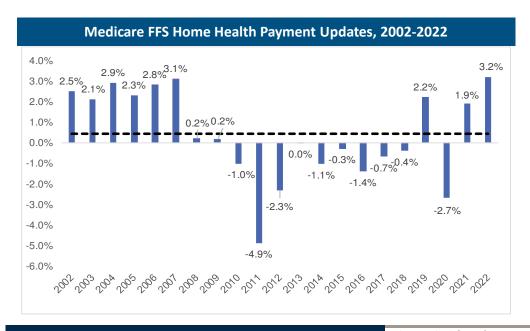
#### 2021 State of Home Healthcare Staffing Survey (views from 400+ executives at in-home care providers)

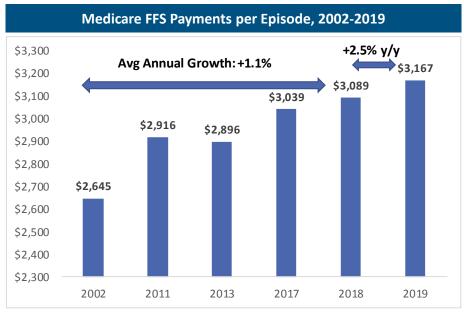




### Home Health Reimbursement – Positive Initial Pricing Outlook for 2022

- <u>2022 Final Rate for HHAs</u> CMS finalized its 2022 rate update for Medicare Home Health Agencies (HHAs) at +3.2% (or +\$570 million), up notably from the +1.7% proposed increase provided in June. This compares to the final 2021 rate update of +1.9% and the proposed 2021 rate update of +2.6%
- The finalized rate is the highest reimbursement increase for Medicare HHAs going back to at least 2002 and is ~280 basis points above the 20-year historical average of +0.4%
- The final +3.2% rate also means that Medicare HHAs should now get a net positive rate update in 2022 even if the 2% sequestration cuts return.
- CMS will also move forward with the national expansion of the Home Health Value-Based Purchasing (HHVBP) Model. The national HHVPB expansion should competitively favor the more operationally scaled public HH names (relative to smaller private agencies) and likely accelerate the pace of industry consolidation into 2022.

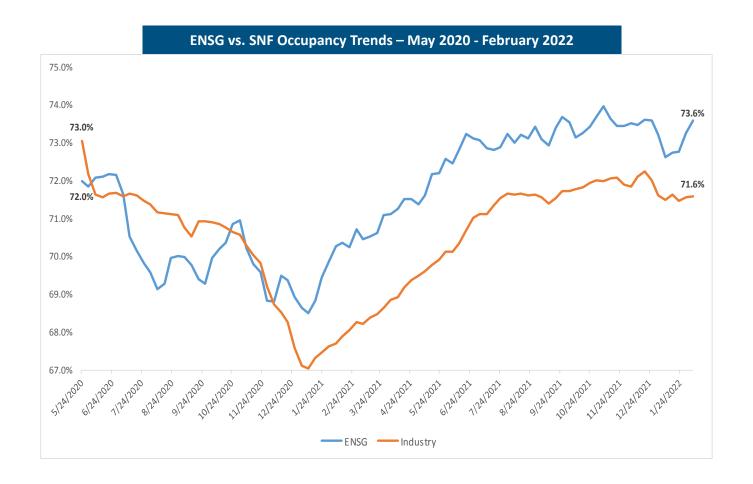




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### ENSG's SNF Business Shines Amid Secular Pressures and COVID-19 Headwinds

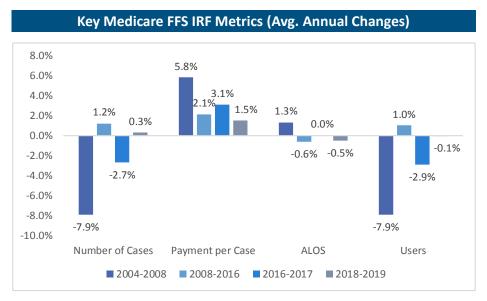
- We view ENSG's relative outperformance on occupancy declines during the COVID-19 pandemic as particularly encouraging as we look ahead to the recovery, especially given ENSG's ability to continue to grow revenue and EBITDA at or above pre-pandemic rates despite declining occupancy throughout 2020-2021.
- The outperformance is even more impressive when considering ENSG's operational model of acquiring significantly underperforming assets

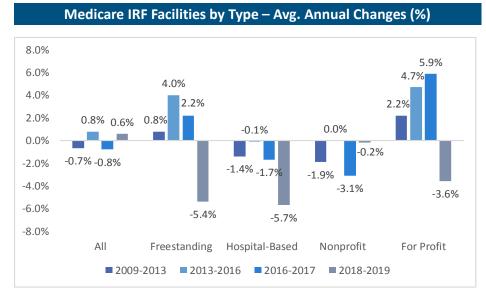


### EHC the Dominant Provider of IRF Services With ~30% Revenue Share



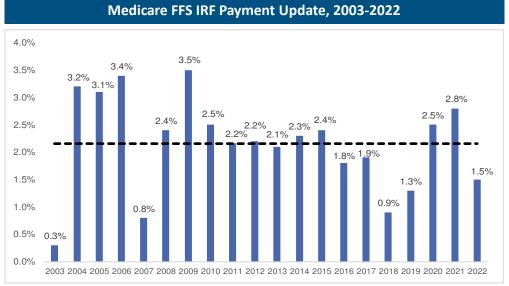
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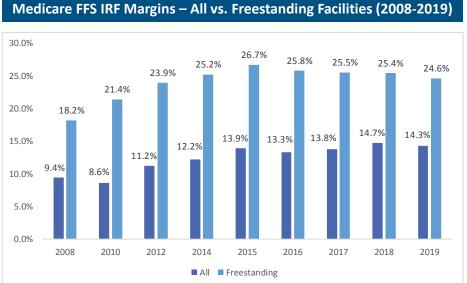






...while controlled cost growth has supported strong industry-wide margins despite more modest price increases.

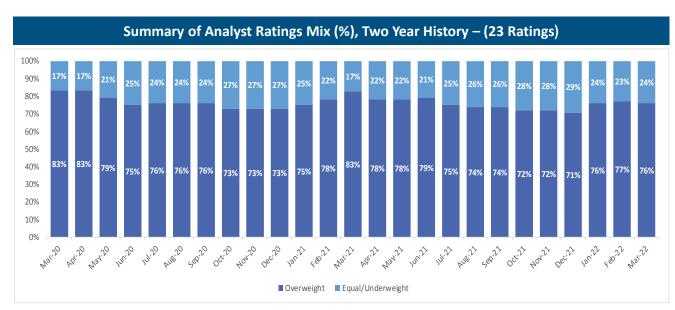




# **Company Tear Sheets**

# ANTM - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

### Overweight (OW) Rating, \$525 Price Target





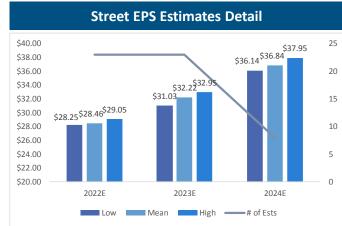
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#### Stephens vs. Street - Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests.

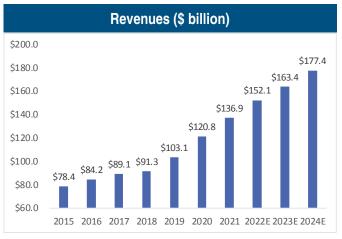
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)
2022E	\$152,100	\$152,754	-0.4%
2023E	\$163,374	\$161,076	1.4%
2024E	\$177,352	\$173,172	2.4%

#### Stephens vs. Street – EPS Estimates

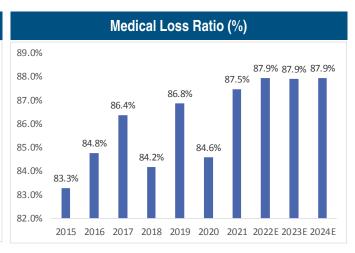
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)
2022E	\$28.40	\$28.46	-0.2%
2023E	\$32.55	\$32.22	1.0%
2024E	\$37.05	\$36.84	0.6%



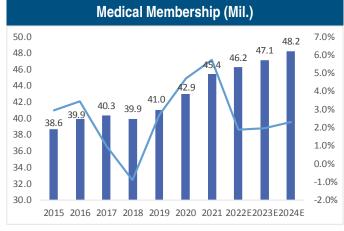
## ANTM - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics







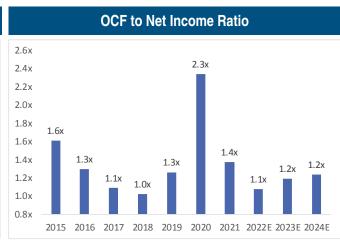


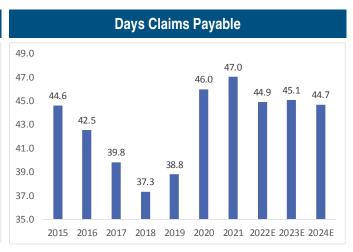


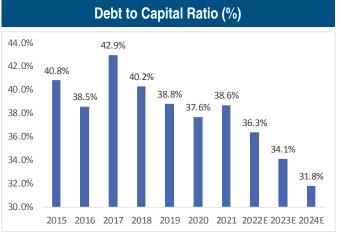


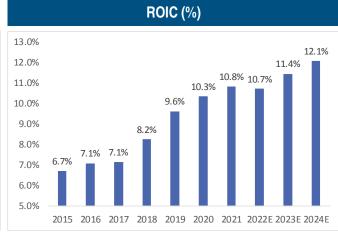
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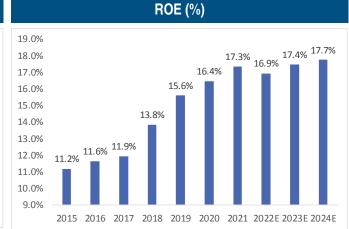








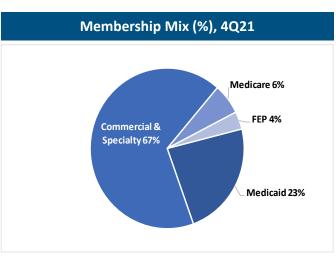


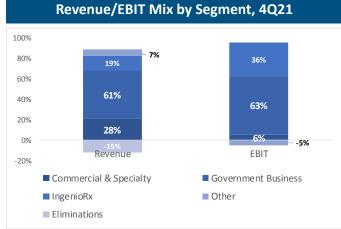


### **ANTM - Business Overview**

- Anthem Inc., an independent licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association, is one of the largest health benefits companies in the United States in terms of medical membership, serving roughly 45 million medical members.
- Anthem derives a significant portion of its revenues from the U.S. health benefits market.
- · Reportable business segments are comprised of:
  - 1. Commercial and Specialty Business
  - 2. Government Business
  - 3. IngenioRx
  - 4. Other Businesses

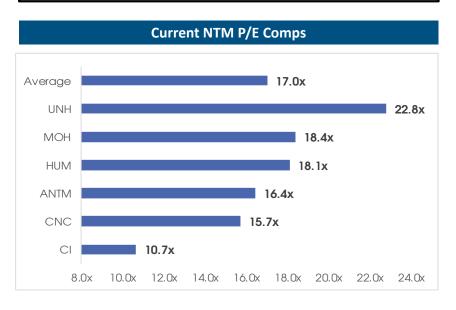
Company Snapshot					
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Industry:	Managed Care				
Headquarters (City):	Indianapolis				
Headquarters (State):	Indiana				
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$138,639				
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$112,619				
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$4,880				
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$24,028				
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	1,110,393				
Short Interest (% of float):	0.9%				

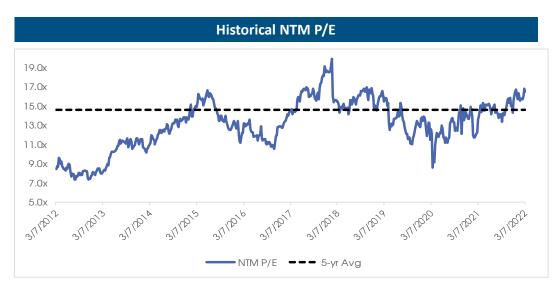


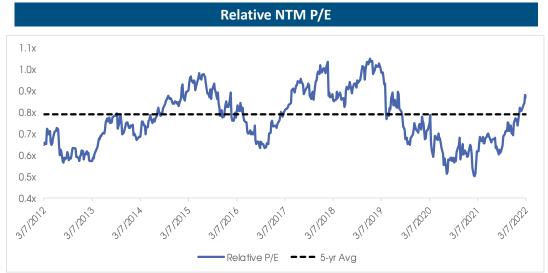


### ANTM - Valuation Profile

- Valuation, based on NTM consensus P/E, rests above the five-year average, on an absolute and relative basis.
- ANTM currently trades at 16.4x NTM consensus EPS vs. the peer average of 17.0x.
- We believe ANTM's below-average valuation to peers is attractive given its comparable L-T growth expectations.

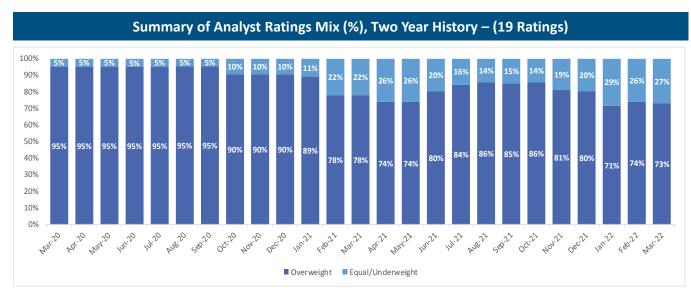




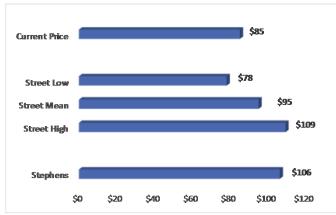


# CNC - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

### Overweight (OW) Rating, \$106 Price Target



#### **Street vs. Stephens Target Price Summary**



\*Current Price as of 3/7/2022

### Stephens vs. Street – Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests.

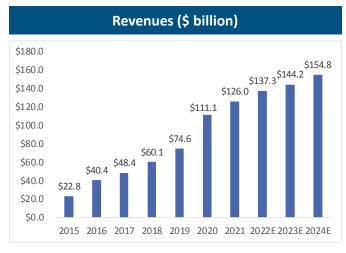
			Stephens vs.
	Stephens	Street	Street (%)
2022E	\$137,256	\$136,620	0.5%
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2024E	\$154,835	\$150,700	2.7%

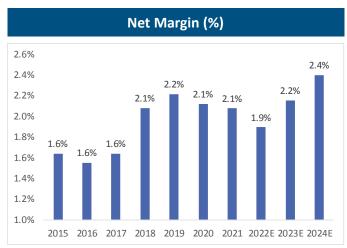
#### Stephens vs. Street – EPS Estimates

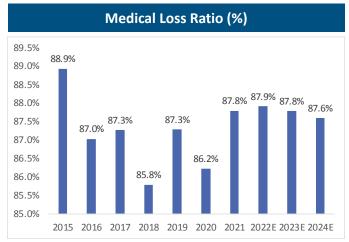
			Stephens vs.
	Stephens	Street	Street (%)
2022E	\$4.39	\$5.41	-18.8%
2023E	\$5.35	\$6.31	-15.1%
2024E	\$6.60	\$7.68	-14.1%



# CNC - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics

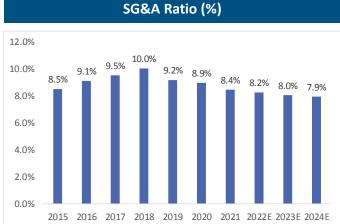






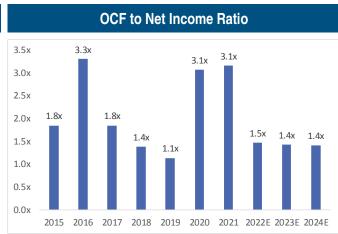


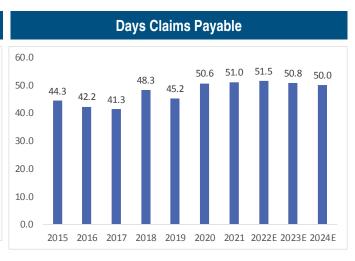


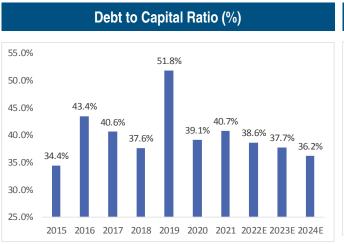


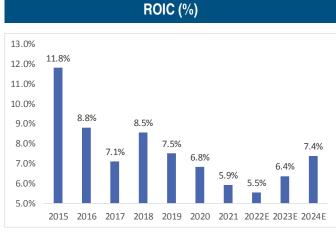
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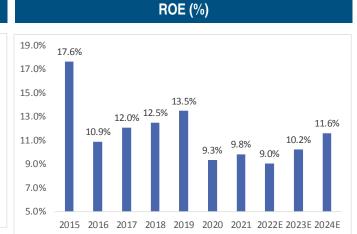








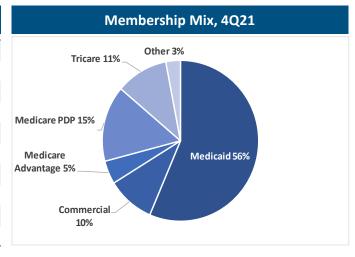


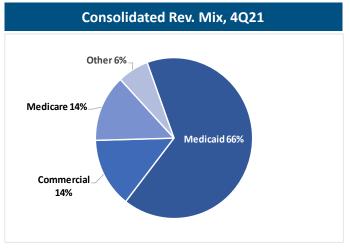


### **CNC - Business Overview**

- Centene is a diversified healthcare enterprise with a particular focus on U.S. government sponsored healthcare programs; notably, managed Medicaid, where Centene holds the number one market share position. After merging with WellCare in 1Q20, Centene now serves nearly 26.6 million medical members across its suite of health benefits products.
- Centene derives a majority of its revenues from the U.S. Medicaid market (66% of total). The U.S. Commercial and Medicare end markets represent 14% and 14% of total revenues, respectively. Other revenues (6% of total) are primarily earned from ancillary health care products and services offerings.

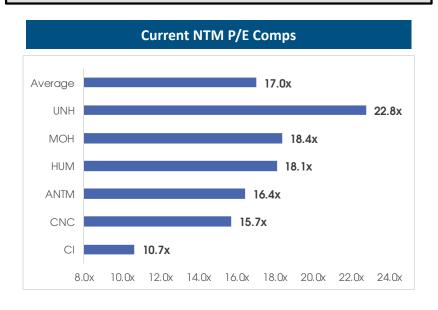
Company Snapshot						
Ticker:	CNC					
Industry:	Managed Care					
Headquarters (City):	St. Louis					
Headquarters (State):	Missouri					
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$125,982					
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$49,509					
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$13,118					
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$22,661					
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	3,691,008					
Short Interest (% of float):	1.2%					





### **CNC - Valuation Profile**

- Valuations, based on NTM consensus P/E, sit above five-year averages on both an absolute and relative basis.
- CNC currently trades at 15.7x NTM consensus EPS, which is 1.3 turns below the peer average.

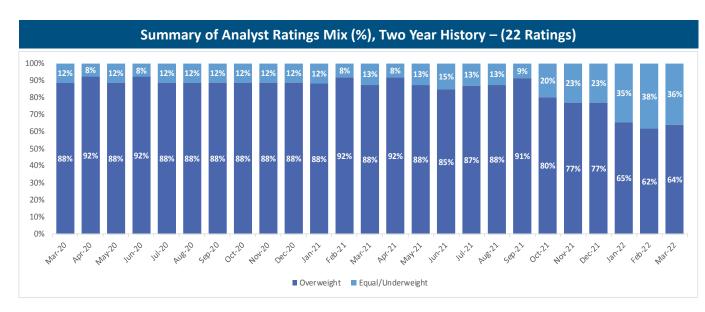






## CI - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

#### Overweight (OW) Rating, \$265 Price Target





<sup>\*</sup>Current Price as of 3/7/2022

#### Stephens vs. Street - Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests.

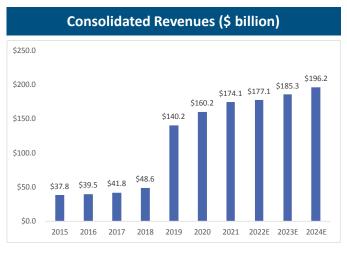
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)
2022E	\$177,135	\$179,219	-1.2%
2023E	\$185,250	\$188,294	-1.6%
2024E	\$196,222	\$198,965	-1.4%

#### **Stephens vs. Street – EPS Estimates**

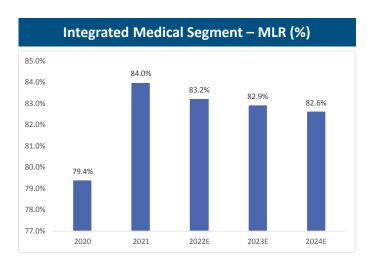
			Stephens vs.
	Stephens	Street	Street (%)
2022E	\$22.50	\$22.49	0.1%
2023E	\$25.10	\$25.09	0.0%
2024E	\$28.00	\$27.79	0.7%



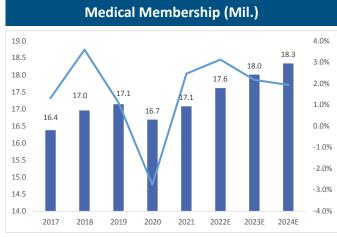
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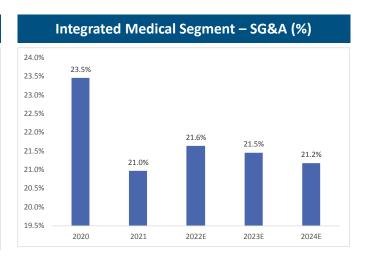




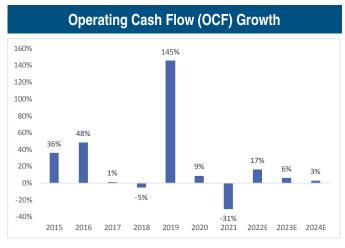


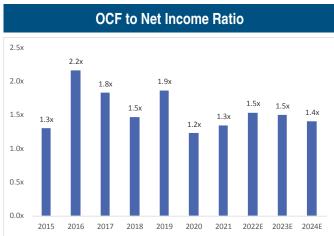


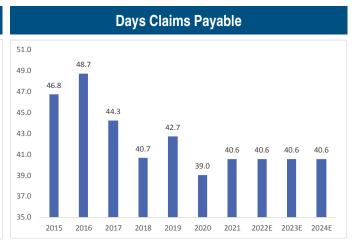


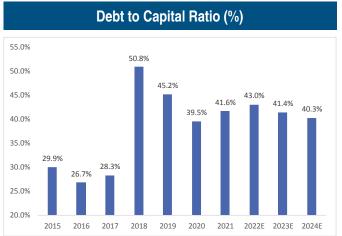


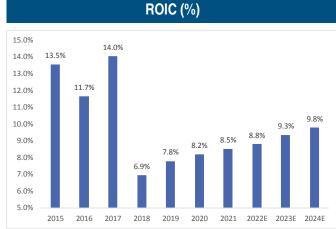
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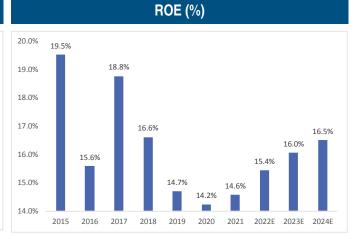








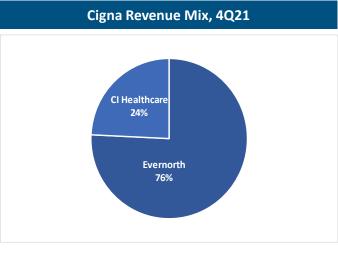


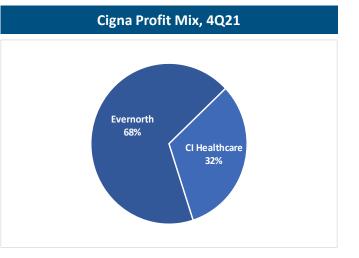


### **CI - Business Overview**

- Cigna Corporation is a global health services organization operating with three reportable segments in 2021: CI Healthcare, Evernorth, and Corporate & Other.
- Evernorth segment comprised of 76% of 4Q21 consolidated revenues, followed by CI Healthcare at 24%.
- Prior to the closing of Express Scripts, Cigna derived roughly half of its consolidated revenue from the U.S. commercial health benefits end market. The U.S. Medicare represented 14% of consolidated revenues. The remaining roughly one-third of revenues came from the Group and Global Supplemental Benefits businesses. In Global Health Care (now reported as CI Healthcare), Cigna serves ~17 million members, with nearly three quarters of those members in commercial ASO health insurance products.

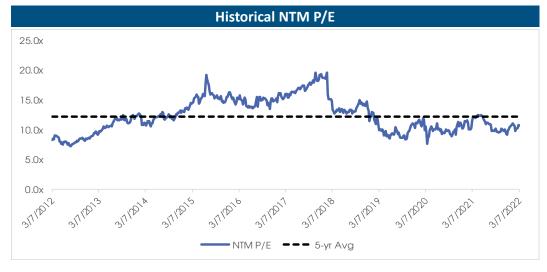
Company Snapshot			
Ticker:	CI		
Industry:	Managed Care		
Headquarters (City):	Bloomfield		
Headquarters (State):	Connecticut		
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$174,274		
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$76,798		
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$5,081		
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$34,424		
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	1,853,126		
Short Interest (% of float): 1.0%			

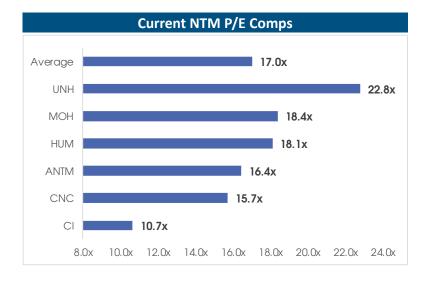




### CI - Valuation Profile

- Valuations, based on NTM consensus P/E, sit below five-year averages on both an absolute and relative basis.
- CI currently trades at 10.7x NTM consensus EPS vs. the peer average of 17.0x.

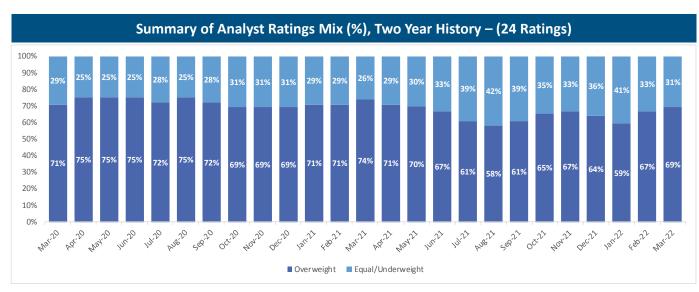






# HUM - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

### Overweight (OW) Rating, \$510 Price Target





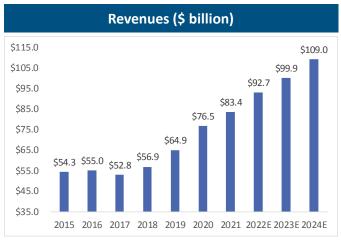
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Stephens vs. Street – Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests.				
			Stephens vs.	
	Stephens	Street	Street (%)	
2022E	\$92,716	\$92,399	0.3%	
2023E	\$99,949	\$100,464	-0.5%	
2024F	\$108 968	\$110.400	-1.3%	

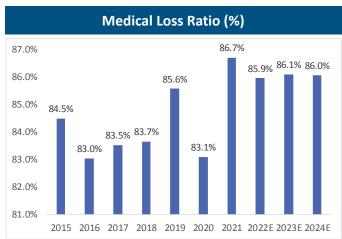
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			Stephens vs.	
	Stephens	Street	Street (%)	
2022E	\$24.10	\$24.12	-0.1%	
2023E	\$27.35	\$27.33	0.1%	
2024E	\$31.00	\$30.38	2.0%	



## HUM - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics

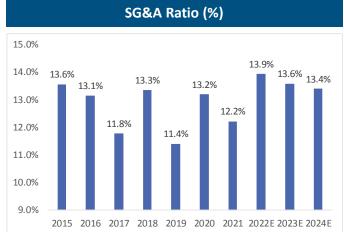




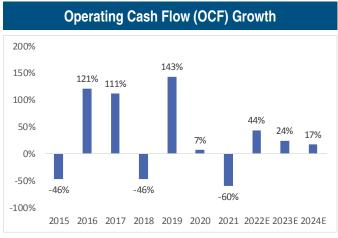


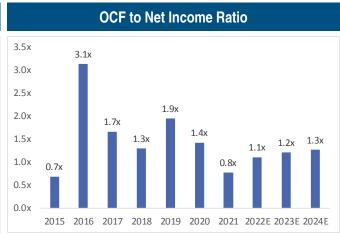


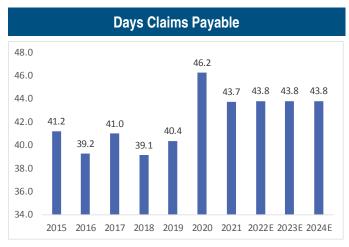


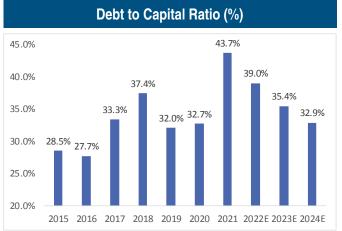


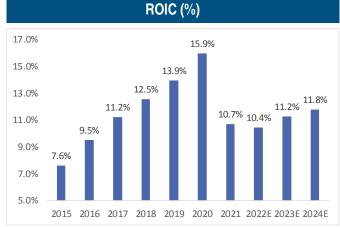
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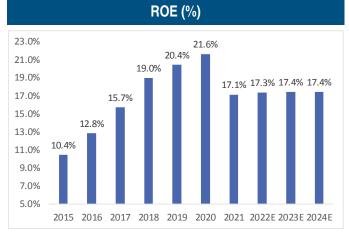










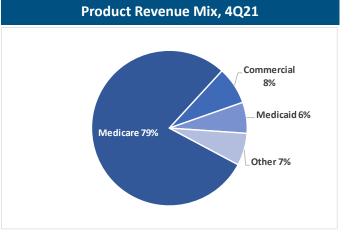


### **HUM - Business Overview**

- Humana is a diversified healthcare enterprise with a particular focus on Medicare Advantage (MA) health insurance products. Humana serves approximately 4.9 million MA members, or 18% of industry-wide membership, which is second only to UnitedHealth Group.
- Humana derives a majority of its revenues from the U.S. Medicare market (79% of total). The U.S. Commercial and Medicaid end markets represent 8% and 6% of total revenues, respectively. Other revenues (7% of total) are primarily earned from provider services.

Company Snapshot			
Ticker:	HUM		
Industry:	Managed Care		
Headquarters (City):	Louisville		
Headquarters (State):	Kentucky		
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$84,091		
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$55,269		
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$3,394		
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$13,225		
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	928,204		
Short Interest (% of float): 1.6%			

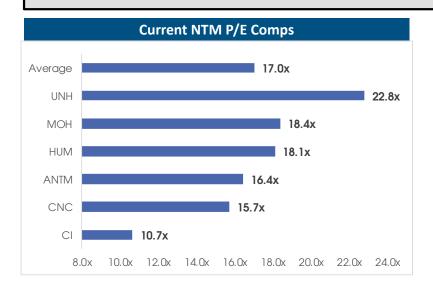


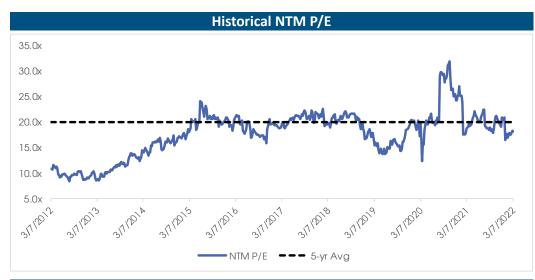


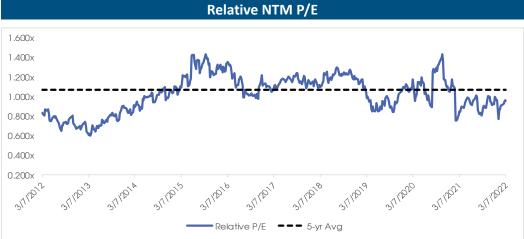
Note: Healthcare services revenue shown before eliminations

### **HUM - Valuation Profile**

- Valuation, based on NTM consensus P/E, is below the five-year (20.0x) average.
- HUM currently trades at 18.1x NTM consensus EPS vs. the peer average of 17.0x.
- We believe HUM's premium valuation to MCO peers is warranted given its relative exposure to the high growth Medicare Advantage business.

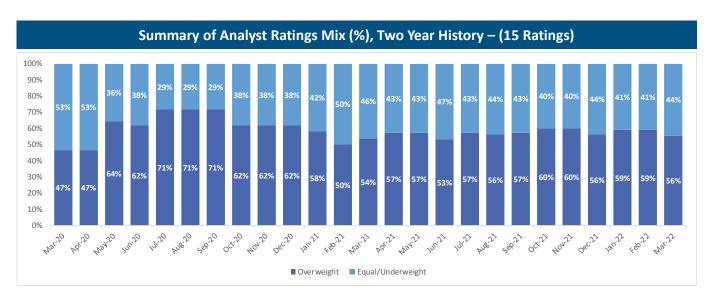






## MOH - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

#### **Equal-Weight (EW) Rating, \$333 Price Target**





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#### Stephens vs. Street – Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests.

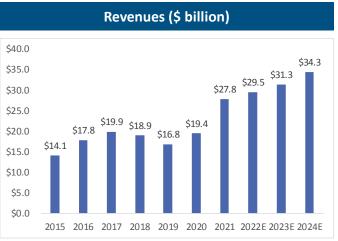
			Stephens vs.
	Stephens	Street	Street (%)
2022E	\$29,505	\$29,826	-1.1%
2023E	\$31,312	\$30,859	1.5%
2024E	\$34,348	\$33,444	2.7%

#### **Stephens vs. Street – EPS Estimates**

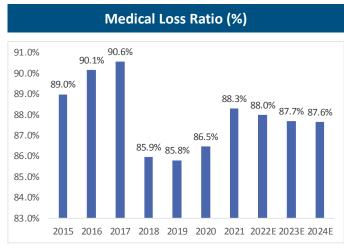
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)
2022E	\$17.10	\$17.18	-0.5%
2023E	\$19.60	\$19.53	0.4%
2024E	\$22.50	\$22.38	0.5%



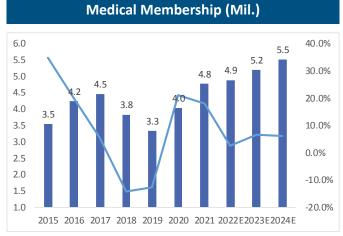
## MOH - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics





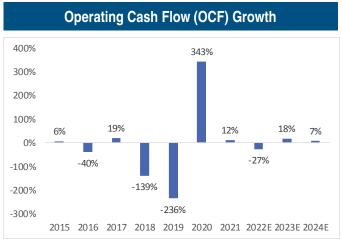


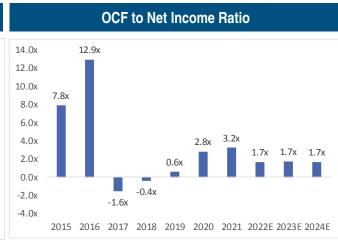


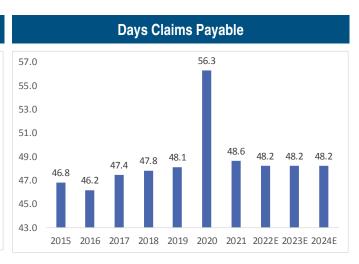


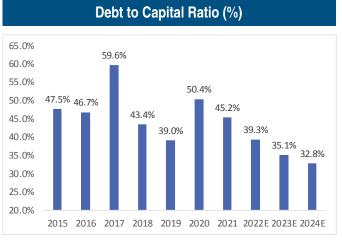


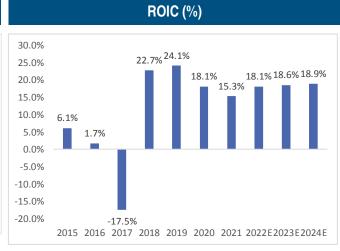
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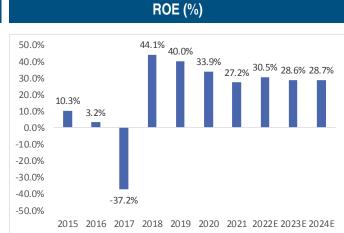








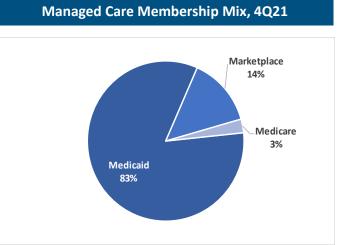


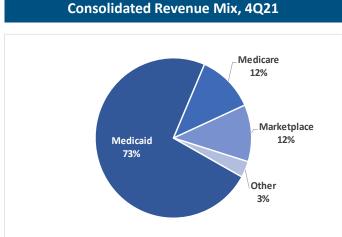


### **MOH - Business Overview**

- Molina is primarily a provider of cost effective Medicaid-related solutions to meet the healthcare needs of low-income families and individuals. In aggregate, Molina serves ~5.2 million medical members across its suite of health benefits products, ~4.3 million of which are Medicaid lives.
- Molina derives ~73% of its revenues from the U.S. Medicaid market, which is most of any MCO in our coverage universe. The U.S. Medicare and Marketplace end markets represent 12% and 12% of total revenues, respectively. Other revenues (3% of total) are primarily earned from provider services.

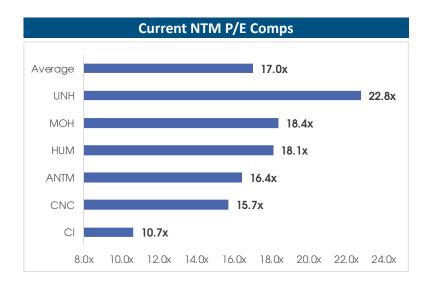
Company Snapshot			
Ticker:	МОН		
Industry:	Managed Care		
Headquarters (City):	Long Beach		
Headquarters (State):	California		
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$27,771		
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$18,457		
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$4,438		
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$2,526		
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	350,637		
Short Interest (% of float):	1.5%		

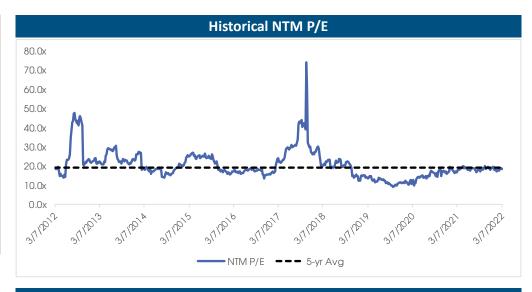


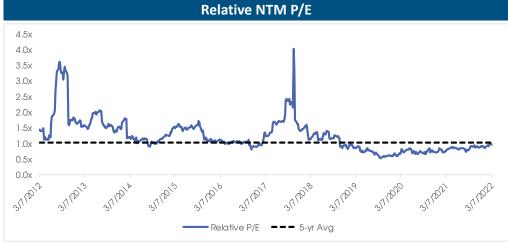


### MOH - Valuation Profile

- Valuations, based on NTM consensus P/E, sit near five-year averages on both an absolute and relative basis.
- MOH currently trades at 18.4x NTM consensus EPS vs. the peer average of 17.0x.
- We believe MOH is fairly valued given its current premium vs. peers.

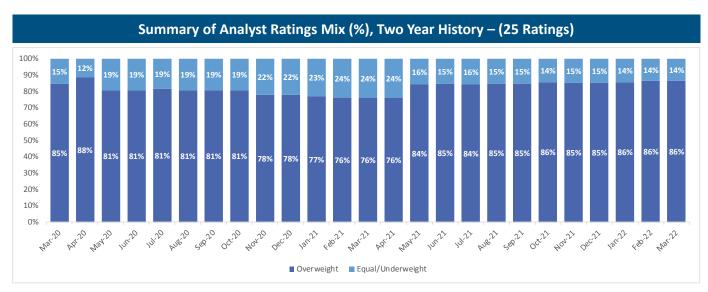






## UNH - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

#### Overweight (OW) Rating, \$542 Price Target





<sup>\*</sup>Current Price as of 3/7/2022

### Stephens vs. Street – Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests.

			Stephens vs.
	Stephens	Street	Street (%)
2022E	\$319,303	\$318,914	0.1%
2023E	\$350,094	\$345,491	1.3%
2024E	\$384,692	\$378,063	1.8%

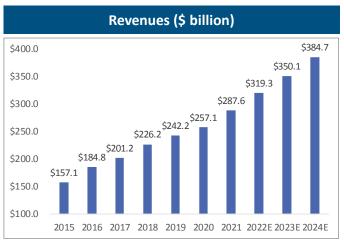
#### Stephens vs. Street – EPS Estimates

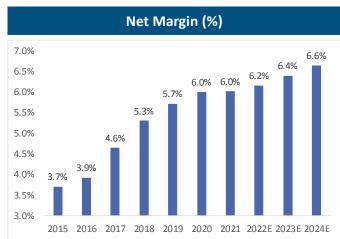
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)
2022E	\$21.60	\$21.62	-0.1%
2023E	\$24.65	\$24.64	0.0%
2024E	\$28.20	\$28.21	0.0%

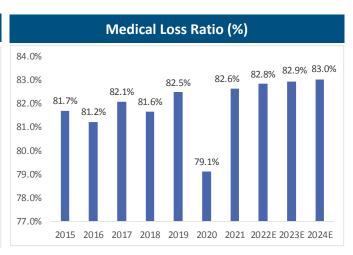
#### **Street EPS Estimates Detail**



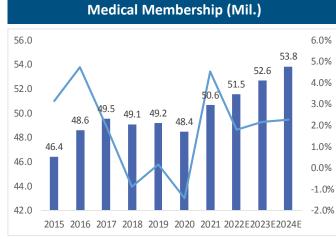
## UNH - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics







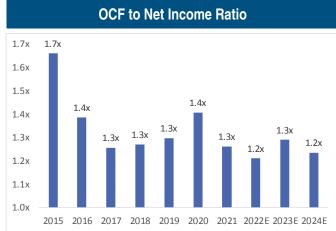


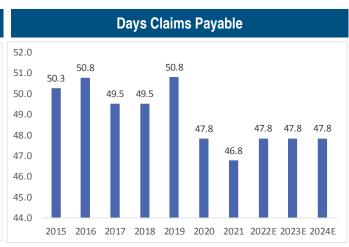


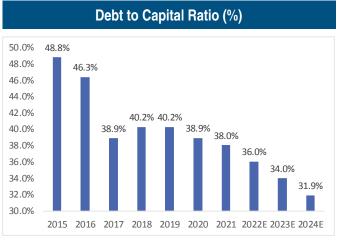


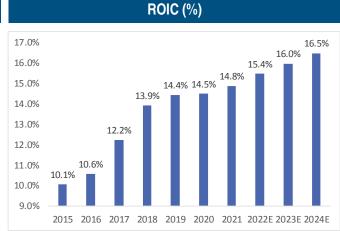
## UNH - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Balance Sheet/Cash Flow Metrics

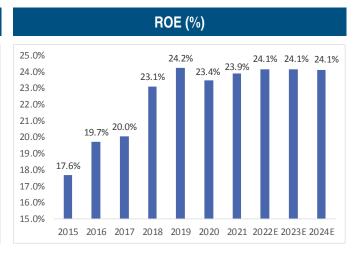






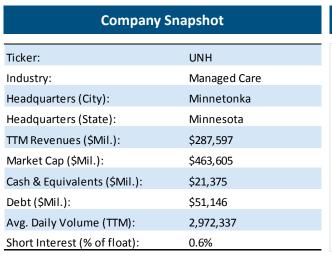


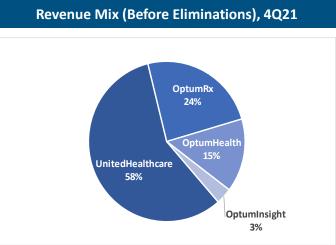


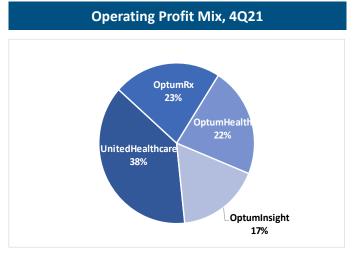


### **UNH** - Business Overview

- UnitedHealth Group is a diversified healthcare organization leveraging core competencies in data and health information; advanced technology; and clinical expertise to help meet the demands of the health system.
- UNH operates two distinct, but strategically aligned, business platforms: health benefits operating under UnitedHealthcare and health services operating under Optum (OptumRx – Pharmacy Services, OptumInsight – Heathcare IT, OptumHealth – Care Delivery and Consumer Solutions.
- UNH's revenue mix is the most diverse within our coverage group. U.S. Medicare accounts for ~34% of consolidated revenues, followed by U.S. commercial (21%), external Optum business/other (26%), and U.S. Medicaid (19%). UNH is the largest provider of health benefits in the U.S. and holds the top market share position in both Commercial Risk and Medicare products.

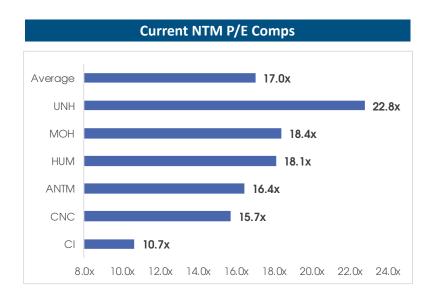


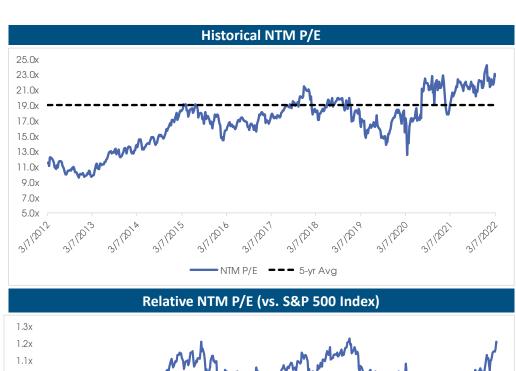


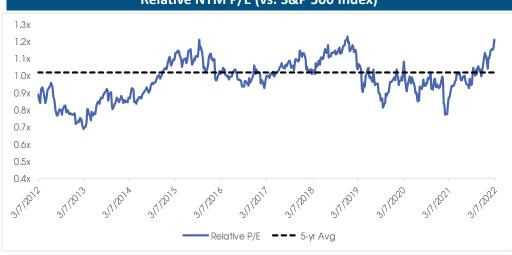


### **UNH - Valuation Profile**

- Valuation, based on NTM consensus P/E, sits above the recent five-year average (~19.0x) on an absolute basis.
- UNH currently trades at 22.8x NTM consensus EPS vs. the peer average of 17.0x.
- We believe UNH's premium valuation to peers is justified given the robust growth opportunities for Optum and Medicare Advantage.

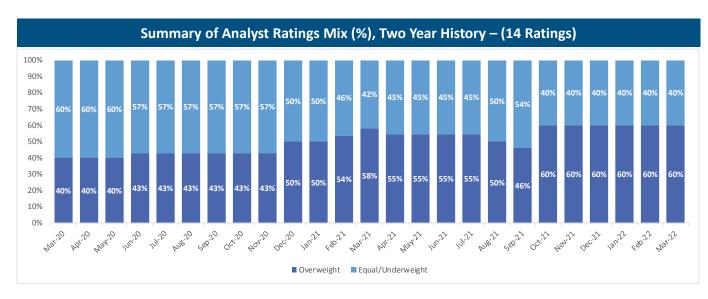




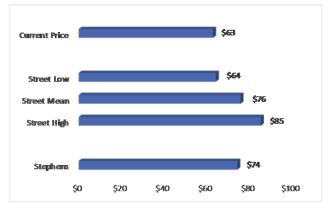


## ACHC - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

#### **Equal-Weight (EW) Rating, \$74 Price Target**



#### **Street vs. Stephens Target Price Summary**



\*Current Price as of 3/7/2022

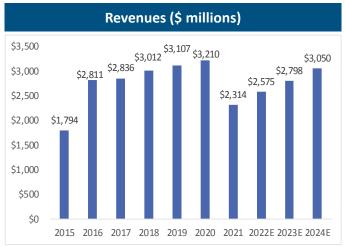
#### Stephens vs. Street – Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests. Stephens vs. Street (%) Stephens Street \$2,572 2022E \$2,575 0.1% 2023E \$2,788 \$2,798 0.4% 2024E \$3,050 \$3,082 -1.1%

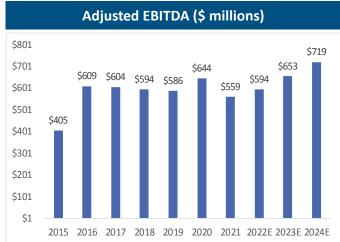
Stephen	Stephens vs. Street – EBITDA (\$Mil.) Ests.				
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)		
2022E	\$594	\$593	0.2%		
2023E	\$653	\$652	0.2%		
2024E	\$719	\$728	-1.3%		

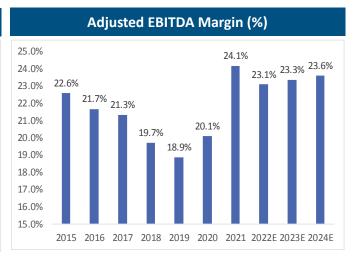
#### Street EBITDA (\$Mil.) Estimates Detail



## ACHC - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics

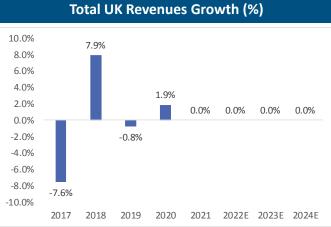








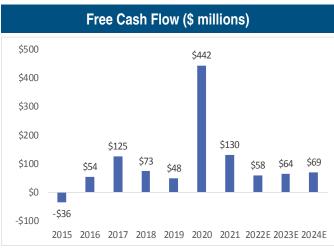


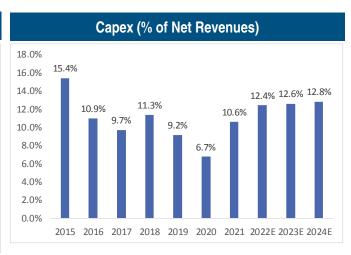


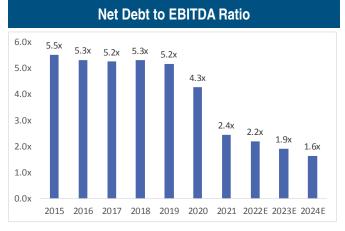
\*UK Business sold off in 2020

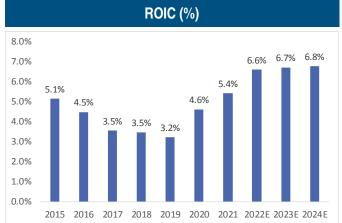
## ACHC - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Balance Sheet/Cash Flow Metrics













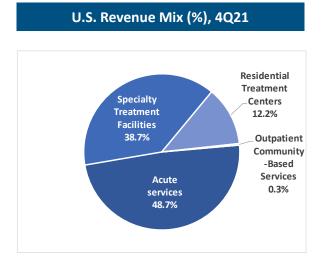
### **ACHC - Business Overview**

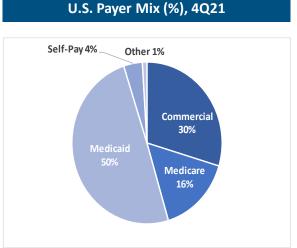
Acadia Healthcare develops and operates inpatient psychiatric facilities, residential treatment centers, group homes, substance abuse facilities and facilities providing outpatient behavioral healthcare services to serve the behavioral health and recovery needs of communities throughout the United States. As of December 31, 2021, the company operated 238 behavioral healthcare facilities with approximately 10,500 beds in 40 states and Puerto Rico.

In 4Q21, ACHC recorded ~\$593 million in revenues. In the U.S., Medicaid is ACHC's largest payer (~50% of revs), followed by Commercial (~30% of revs), Medicare (~16% of revs), and other (~5% revs).

Note that ACHC sold its UK operations in 2021 and now focuses exclusively on the U.S. market.

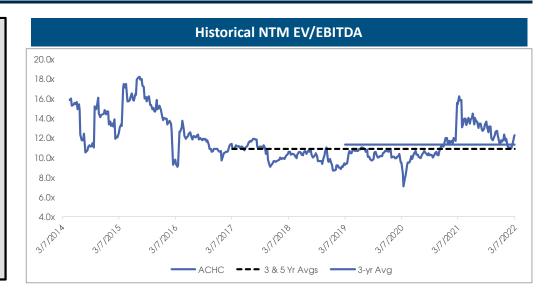
Company Snapshot			
Ticker:	ACHC		
Industry:	Healthcare Facilities		
Headquarters (City):	Franklin		
Headquarters (State):	Tennessee		
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$2,314		
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$5,636		
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$134		
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$1,649		
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	437,001		
Short Interest (% of float):	3.7%		

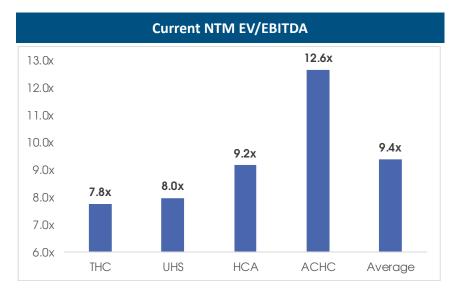


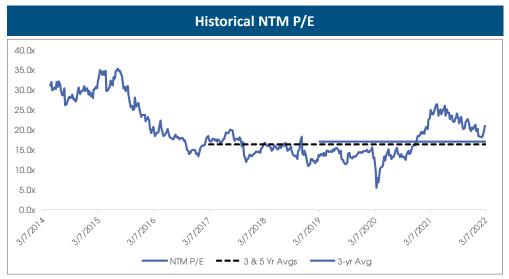


#### **ACHC - Valuation Profile**

- Valuation, based on NTM consensus EV/EBITDA, at 12.6x is above the recent three-year and five-year averages.
- Direct comps for public pure-play BH providers are limited, though ACHC trades at a premium to its closest peer, UHS (8.0x); acute care comps trade at 9.4x, on average.
- We believe ACHC's premium valuation to the recent fiveyear average reflects the recent sale of the U.K. business and the cash optionality for growth deployment in a U.S. market experiencing increased demand amidst the pandemic.

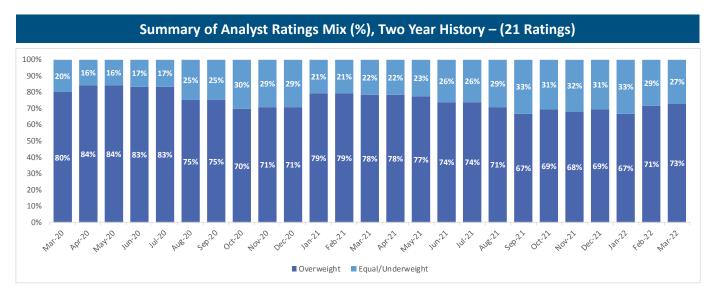




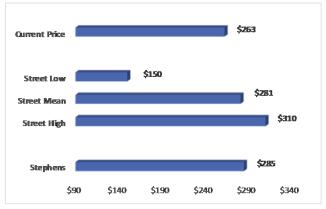


# HCA - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

#### Overweight (OW) Rating, \$285 Price Target



### Street vs. Stephens Target Price Summary



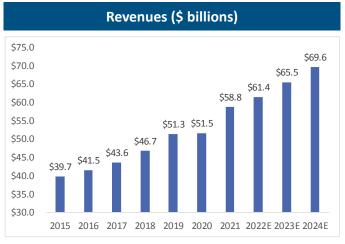
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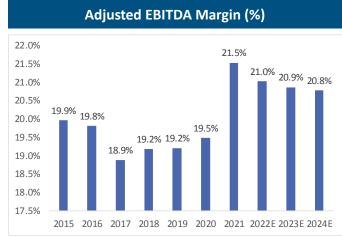
Stephens vs. Street – Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests.			
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)
2022E	\$61,390	\$61,146	0.4%
2023E	\$65,484	\$64,566	1.4%
2024E	\$69,638	\$68,282	2.0%

Steph	Stephens vs. Street – EBITDA (\$Mil.) Ests.			
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)	
2022	\$12,900	\$12,838	0.5%	
2023E	\$13,656	\$13,470	1.4%	
2024E	\$14,465	\$14,304	1.1%	

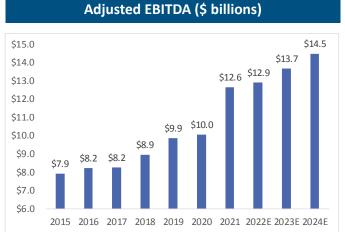


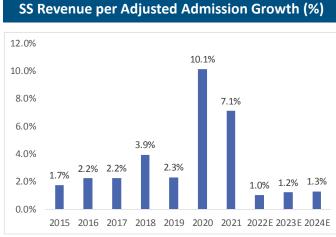
## HCA - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics





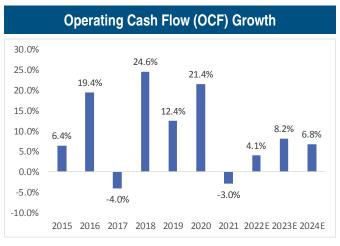




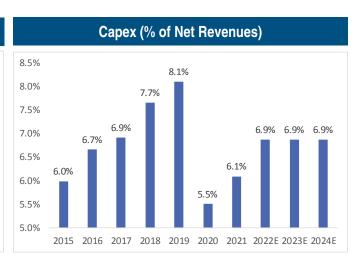


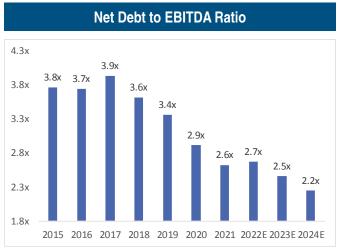


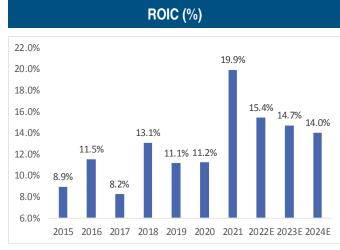
## HCA - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Balance Sheet/Cash Flow Metrics











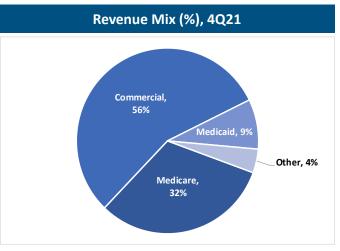


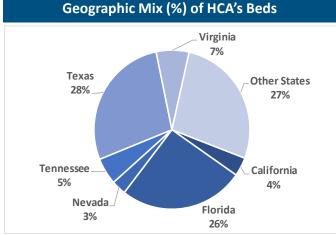
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### **HCA** - Business Overview

- HCA Healthcare owns and operates hospitals and related healthcare entities. HCA operates 182 hospitals, 125 freestanding surgery centers and provided extensive outpatient and ancillary services.
- HCA's facilities are located in 20 states and England; HCA has a strong geographic presence in Texas and Florida which encompass 91 of the company's 182 total hospitals.
- Just over half of HCA's net revenues are derived from commercial health insurance payers. Medicare
  represents roughly one-third of consolidated revenues, with Medicaid accounting for just 19%.

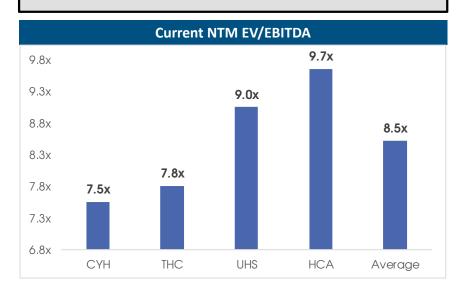
Company Snapshot			
Ticker:	НСА		
Industry:	Healthcare Facilities		
Headquarters (City):	Nashville		
Headquarters (State):	Tennessee		
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$58,752		
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$79,733		
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$1,554		
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$36,726		
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	1,427,266		
Short Interest (% of float):	1.4%		

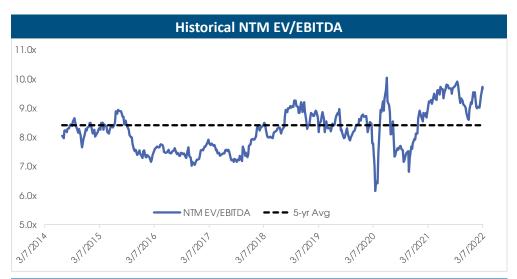


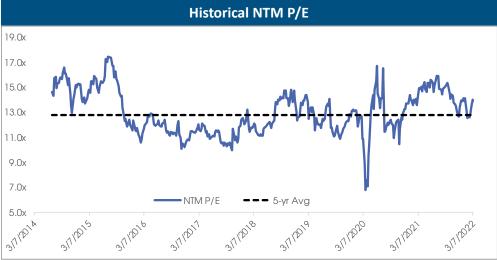


### **HCA - Valuation Profile**

- Valuation, based on both NTM consensus EV/EBITDA and P/E, is trending above the most recent five-year average.
- HCA currently trades at 9.7x NTM consensus EBITDA vs. the peer average of 8.5x.
- We find HCA's valuation to be attractive given that we expect adjusted EBITDA growth to return to the high end of the L-T target of 4%-6% following the nearterm impacts of C-19.

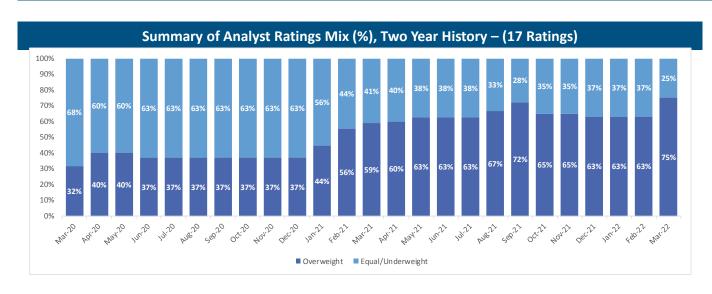




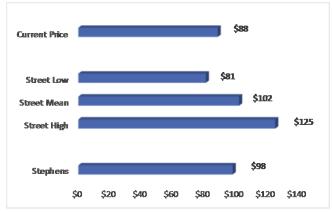


## THC - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

#### **Equal-Weight / Volatile (EW – Vol.) Rating, \$98 Price Target**







<sup>\*</sup>Current Price as of 3/7/2022

#### Stephens vs. Street - Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests. Stephens vs. Street (%) Stephens Street 2022E \$19,708 \$19,833 -0.6% 2023E \$20,765 \$20,715 0.2% 2024E \$21,888 \$21,925 -0.2%

Stephens vs. Street – EBITDA (\$Mil.) Ests.			
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)
2022E	\$3,513	\$3,488	0.7%
2023E	\$3,755	\$3,731	0.7%
2024E	\$4,025	\$4,020	0.1%

#### Street EBITDA (\$Mil.) Estimates Detail

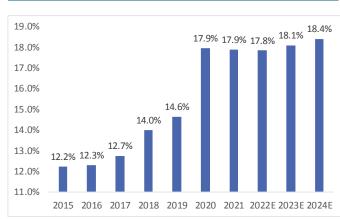


## THC - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics

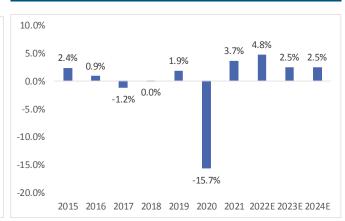
## Revenues (\$ billions)



#### Adjusted EBITDA Margin (%)



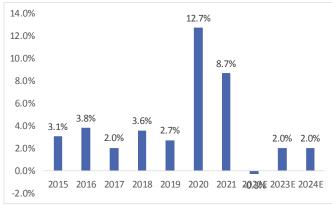
#### SS Adjusted Admissions Growth (%)



#### Adjusted EBITDA (\$ billions)



#### SS Revenue per Adjusted Admission Growth (%)



#### SS Revenues Growth (%)

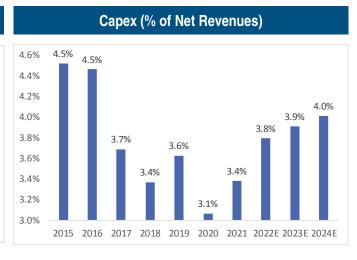


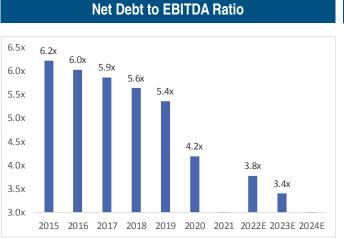
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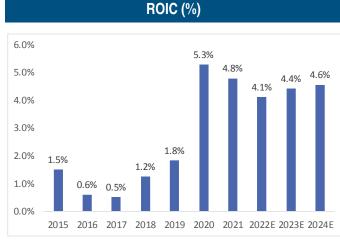
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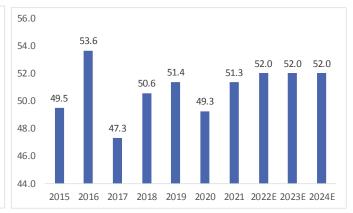










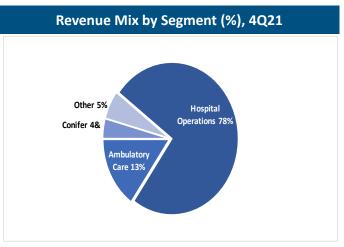


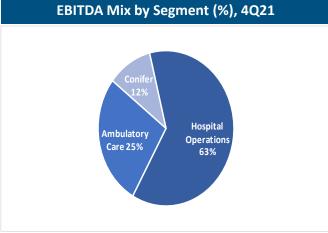
**Days Sales Outstanding** 

### **THC - Business Overview**

- Tenet Healthcare is a diversified healthcare services company. Tenet operates 65 hospitals, 24 surgical hospitals and ~460 outpatient centers in the United States through its subsidiaries, partnerships and joint ventures, including USPI Holding Company, Inc.
- Tenet's Conifer subsidiary provides healthcare business process services in the areas of hospital and physician revenue cycle management and value-based care solutions to healthcare systems, as well as individual hospitals, physician practices, self-insured organizations, health plans and other entities.

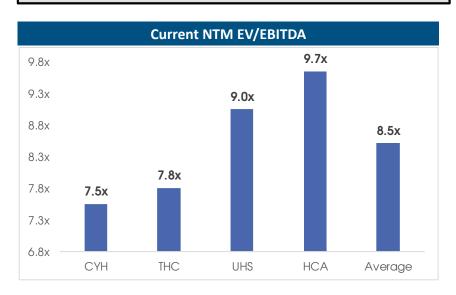
Company Snapshot			
Ticker:	THC		
Industry:	Healthcare Facilities		
Headquarters (City):	Dallas		
Headquarters (State):	Texas		
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$19,485		
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$9,510		
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$2,364		
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$16,771		
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	973,070		
Short Interest (% of float):	4.3%		

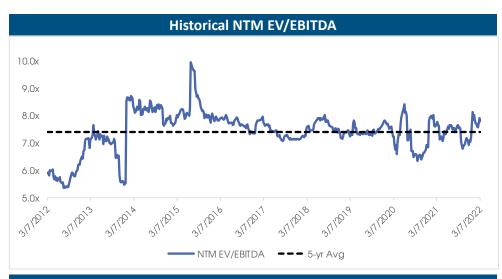


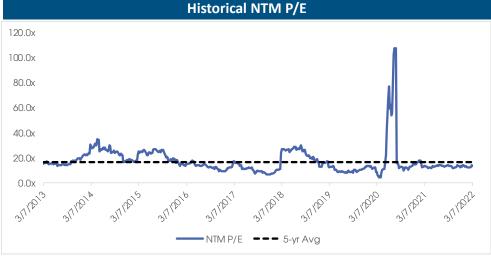


### THC - Valuation Profile

- Valuation, based on NTM consensus EV/EBITDA, is above the five-year average.
- THC currently trades at 7.8x NTM consensus EBITDA vs. the peer average of 8.5x.
- We believe THC's comparable valuation relative to peers is reasonable given above-average growth potential in ASCs offset by underperformance in the core hospital business and higher leverage profile relative to peers.

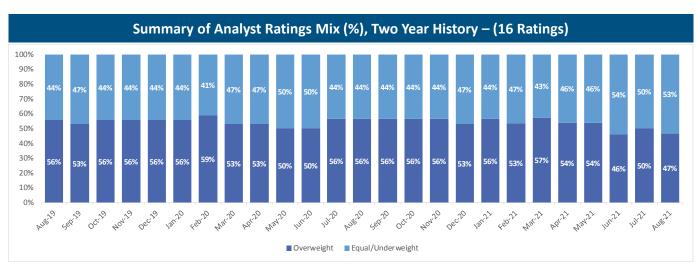






## UHS - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

### **Equal-Weight (EW) Rating, \$150 Price Target**





<sup>\*</sup>Current Price as of 3/7/2022

#### Stephens vs. Street – Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests

	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)
2022E	\$13,575	\$13,354	1.7%
2023E	\$14,341	\$14,092	1.8%
2024E	\$15,140	\$14,887	1.7%

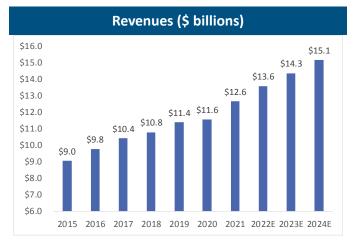
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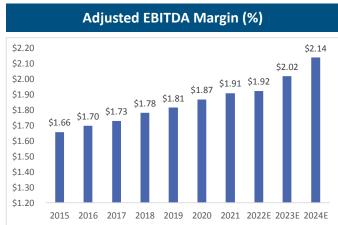
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)
2022E	\$1,881	\$1,885	-0.3%
2023E	\$1,971	\$1,988	-0.9%
2024E	\$2,083	\$2,093	-0.5%

#### Street EBITDA (\$Mil.) Estimates Detail

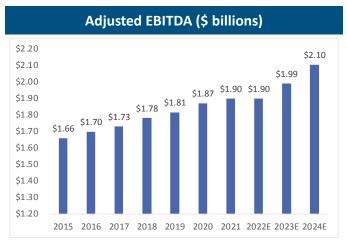


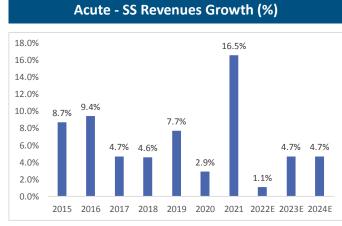
# UHS - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics





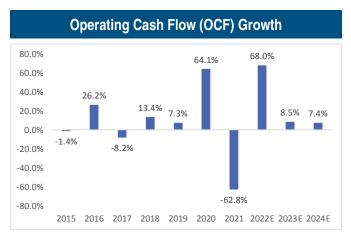


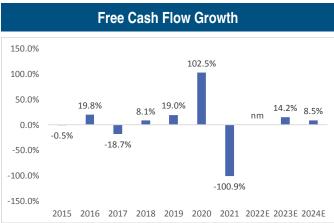


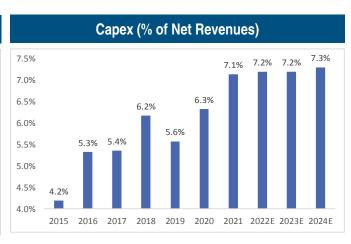


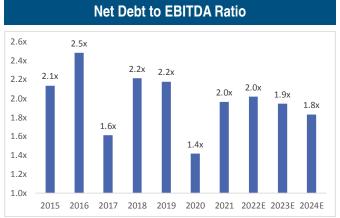


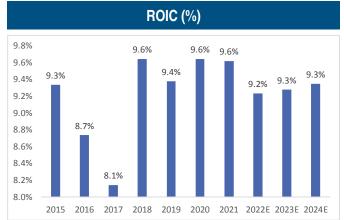
# UHS - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Balance Sheet/Cash Flow Metrics









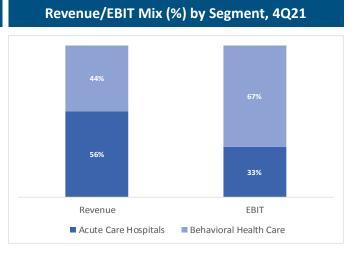




## **UHS - Business Overview**

- UHS's principal business is owning and operating acute care hospitals and outpatient facilities and behavioral healthcare facilities. UHS owns/operates 360 inpatient facilities and 40 outpatient facilities located in 38 states, Washington, D.C., the United Kingdom and Puerto Rico.
- UHS's Acute Care Hospital business represents ~56% and ~33% of consolidated revenues and EBIT, respectively. The Behavioral Health business represents ~44% and ~67% of consolidated revenues and EBIT, respectively. By source, 31% of UHS's consolidated revenue can be attributed to commercial payers, followed by Medicaid (25%), Medicare (23%), UK revenues (5%), and Other (14%).

Company Snapshot			
Ticker:	UHS		
Industry:	Healthcare Facilities		
Headquarters (City):	King of Prussia		
Headquarters (State):	Pennsylvania		
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$12,642		
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$10,888		
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$115		
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$4,559		
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	654,501		
Short Interest (% of float):	3.6%		

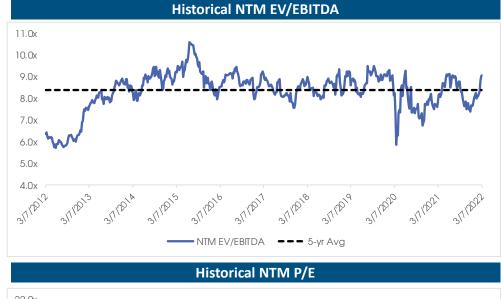


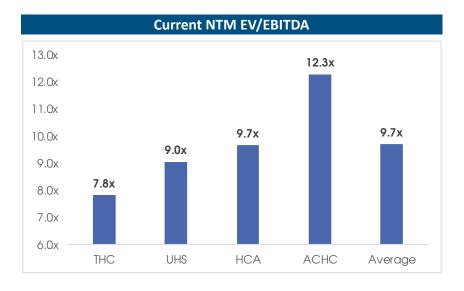
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0%	12%	5%
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Revenue Mix (%) by Source, 4Q21

## **UHS - Valuation Profile**

- UHS is trading above its' five-year valuation average (~8.5x), based on NTM consensus EV/EBITDA.
- UHS currently trades at 9.0x NTM consensus EBITDA, which is also below the peer average.
- We believe UHS's modest discount to the five-year average is based on investor concern over C-19 exposure risk in key markets.

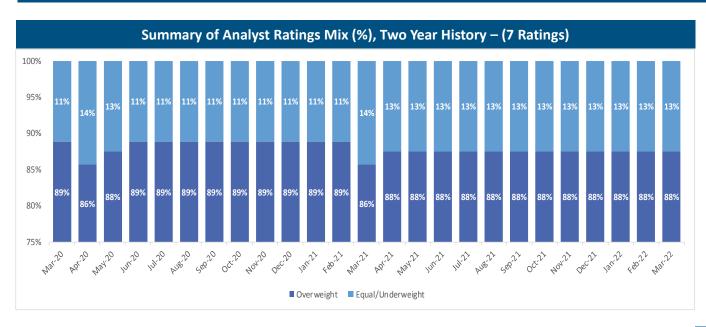






# ADUS - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

#### Overweight (OW) Rating, \$116 Price Target

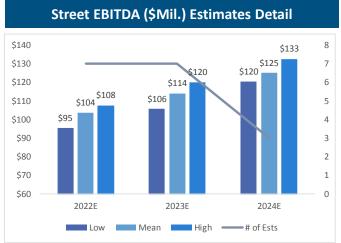




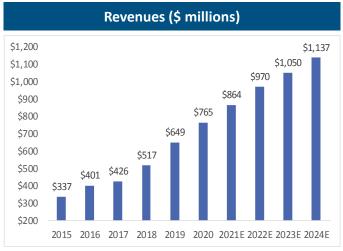
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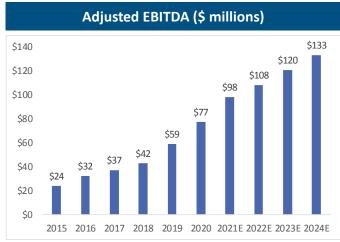
Stephens vs. Street – Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests.				
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)	
2022E	\$970	\$952	1.8%	
2023E	\$1,050	\$1,012	3.8%	
2024E	\$1,137	\$1,103	3.1%	

Stephen	Stephens vs. Street – EBITDA (\$Mil.) Ests.				
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)		
2022E	\$108	\$104	3.9%		
2023E	\$120	\$114	5.3%		
2024E	\$133	\$125	6.1%		



# ADUS - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics





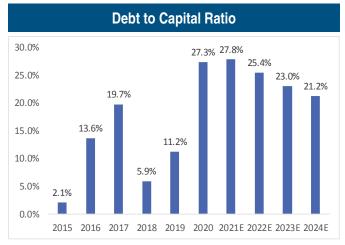


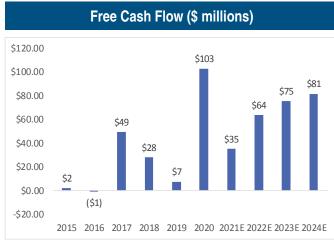


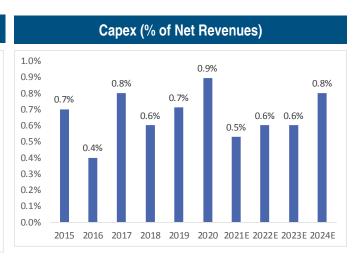


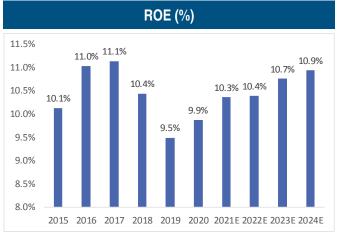


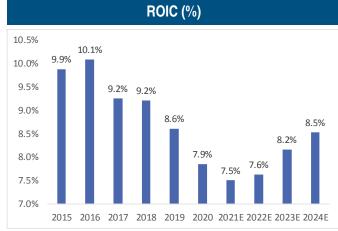
# ADUS - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Balance Sheet/Cash Flow Metrics













### **ADUS - Business Overview**

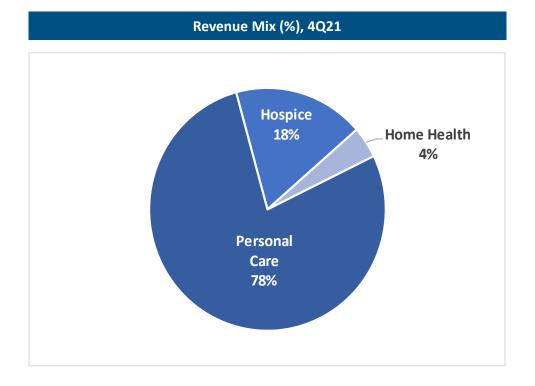
Addus HomeCare Corporation is a home health services provider primarily focused on personal care and hospice services. The company operates 206 locations in 22 states with over 31K employees.

Addus operates three primary segments: Personal Care (79% of revs.), Hospice (18% of revs.), and Home Health (3% of revs).

Payer Mix: State, local, and other government programs (the combination is primarily FFS Medicaid and Medicare) represent nearly 50% of ADUS's consolidated revenues. Managed care organizations (primarily Medicaid MCOs) contribute ~46% of total revenues while self-pay patients represent roughly 4% of revenues.

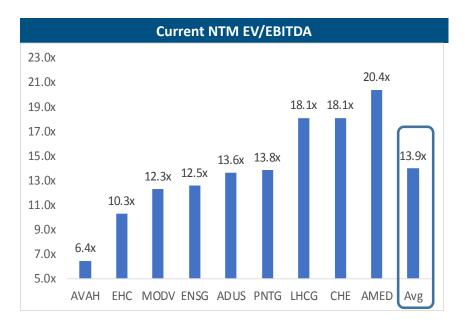
Of the personal care business, ADUS' IL business makes up ~48% of total PC revenues, followed by NY (~15%), NM (~14%), and then all other states (~23%).

Company Snapshot			
Ticker:	ADUS		
Industry:	Healthcare Facilities		
Headquarters (City):	Frisco		
Headquarters (State):	Texas		
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$864		
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$1,305		
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$169		
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$264		
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	101,462		
Short Interest (% of float):	2.9%		

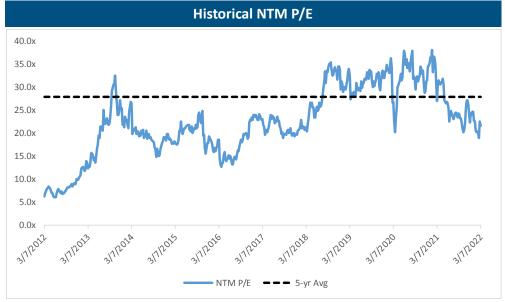


## ADUS - Valuation Profile

- ADUS's valuation sits below the most recent five-year averages based on NTM consensus EV/EBITDA and in line on P/E.
- ADUS currently trades at 13.6x NTM consensus EBITDA vs. the peer average of 13.9x.

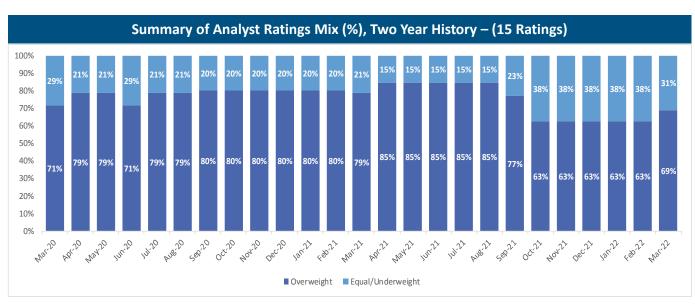






# AMED - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

## **Equal-Weight (EW) Rating, \$172 Price Target**

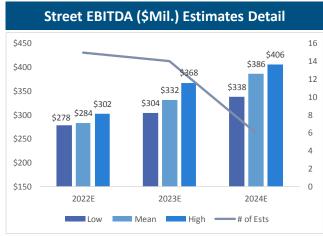


Stephens vs. Street – Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests.				
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)	
2022E	\$2,351	\$2,356	-0.2%	
2023E	\$2,576	\$2,593	-0.6%	
2024E	\$2,859	\$2,915	-1.9%	

Stephens vs. Street – EBITDA (\$Mil.) Ests.				
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)	
2022E	\$282	\$284	-0.5%	
2023E	\$325	\$332	-2.0%	
2024E	\$371	\$386	-3.9%	

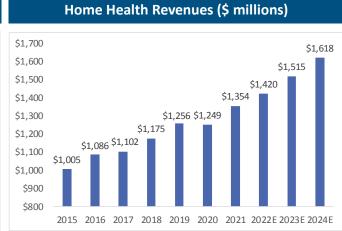


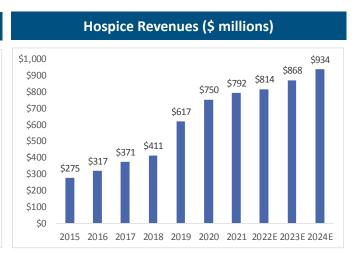
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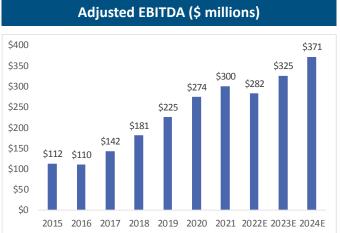


# AMED - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics





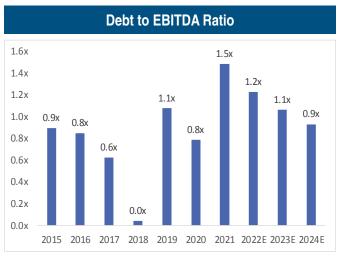


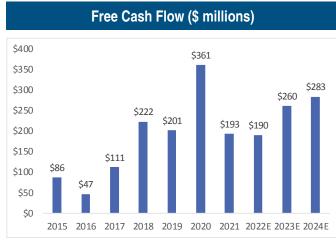


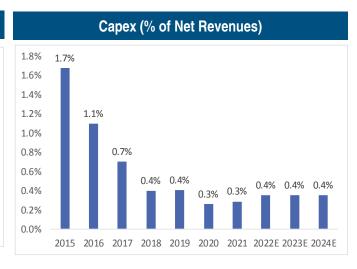


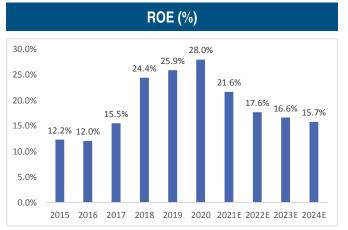


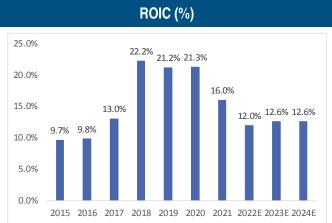
# AMED - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Balance Sheet/Cash Flow Metrics













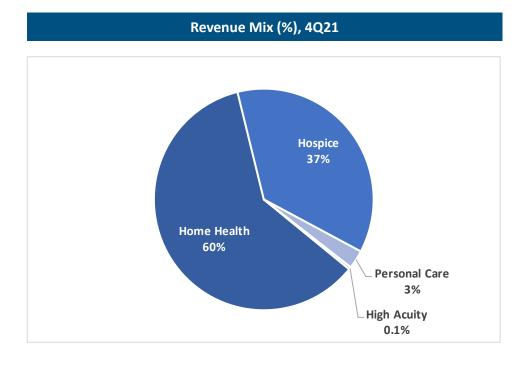
### AMED - Business Overview

Amedisys is one of the largest, pure-play providers of home health and hospice care in the U.S. The company serves patients across the U.S. through 4 operating divisions: home health, hospice, personal care, and high acuity care.

Amedisys operates 526 care centers (331 home health centers, 175 hospice centers, 12 personal care centers, and 8 high acuity care JVs) in 38 states within the U.S. and the District of Columbia.

Due to the age demographics of Amedisys' patient base, services are primarily paid for by Medicare, which has represented ~74% of the company's net service revenue over the last three years.

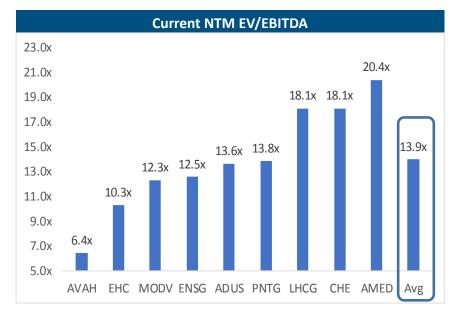
Company Snapshot			
Ticker:	AMED		
Industry:	Healthcare Facilities		
Headquarters (City):	Baton Rouge		
Headquarters (State):	Louisiana		
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$2,214		
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$5,139		
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$54		
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$546		
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	319,523		
Short Interest (% of float):	3.6%		

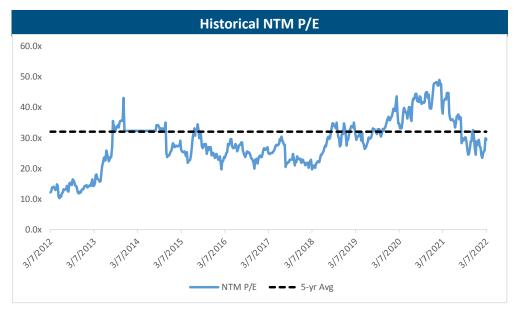


## AMED - Valuation Profile

- Valuation sits below the most recent five-year average based on NTM consensus P/E and EV/EBITDA.
- AMED currently trades at 20.4x NTM consensus EBITDA vs. the peer average of 13.9x.

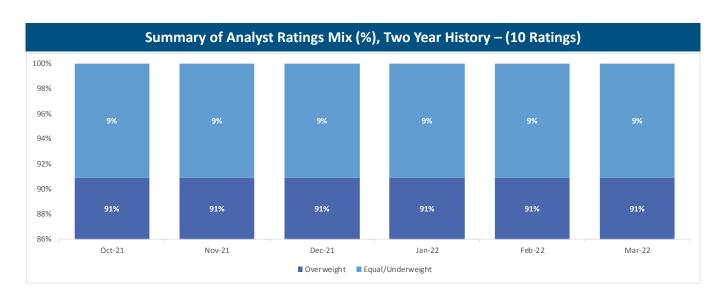






# AVAH - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

## Overweight (OW) Rating, \$11.50 Price Target

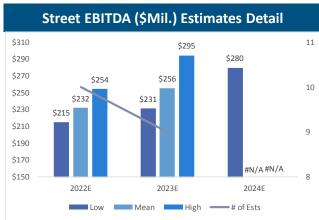


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Street Hig	1								\$1
Stephen	s <b>=</b>							\$11.50	
	\$0.00	\$2.00	\$4.00	\$6.00	\$8.00	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$14.00	\$16.00

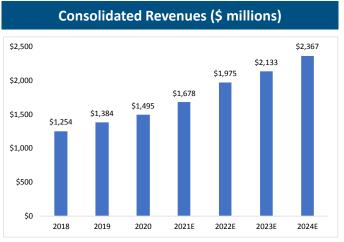
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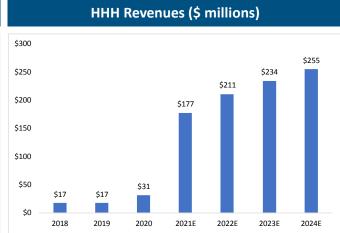
Stephen	Stephens vs. Street – Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests.				
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)		
2022E	\$1,975	\$2,000	-1.2%		
2023E	\$2,133	\$2,186	-2.4%		
2024E	\$2,367	\$2,504	-5.4%		

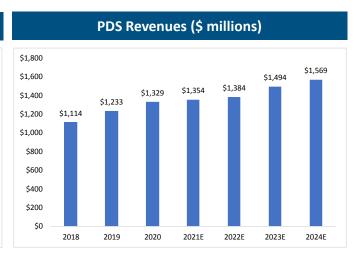
Stephen	Stephens vs. Street – EBITDA (\$Mil.) Ests.			
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)	
2022E	\$215	\$232	-7.3%	
2023E	\$245	\$256	-4.1%	
2024E	\$280	\$291	-3.9%	

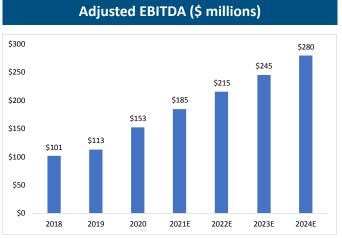


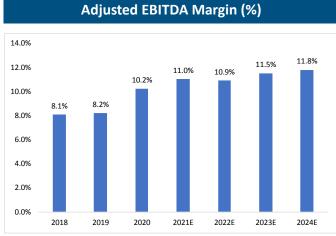
# AVAH - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics

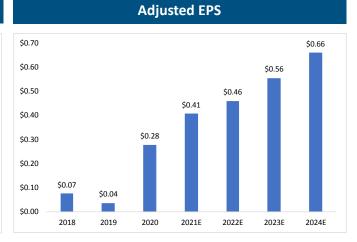




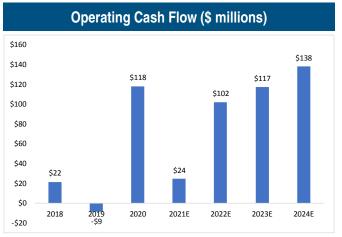


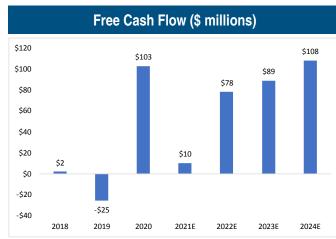


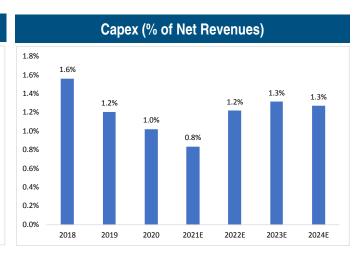


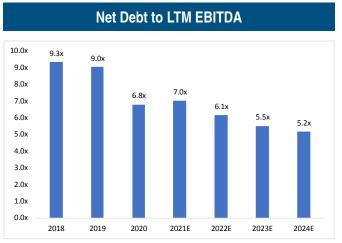


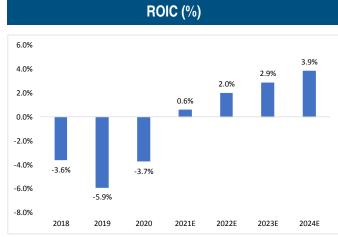
# AVAH - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Balance Sheet/Cash Flow Metrics













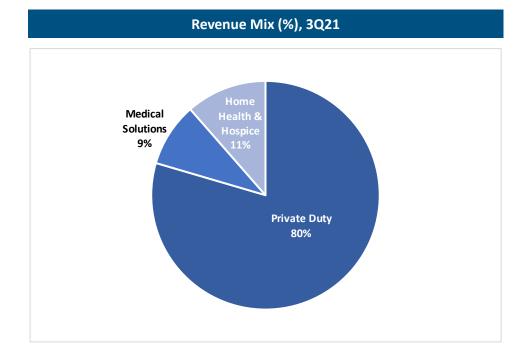
## **AVAH - Business Overview**

Aveanna completed its IPO in 2021. The company serves patients across the U.S. through three operating divisions: private duty, medical solutions, and home health and hospice.

Aveanna's fastest growing segment is HH&H, which now comprises ~11% of consolidated revenues.

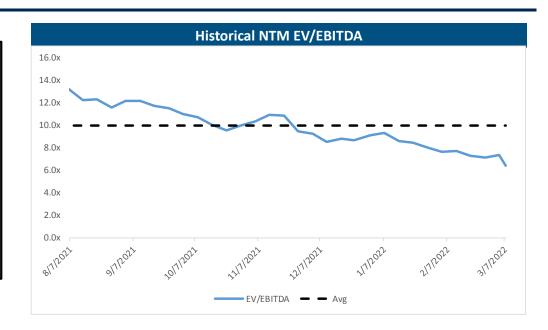
Payer Mix: Managed care represent nearly 53% of ADUS's consolidated revenues. Medicaid contributes ~25% of total revenues while Commercial and Medicare represent roughly 12% and 10% of revenues, respectively.

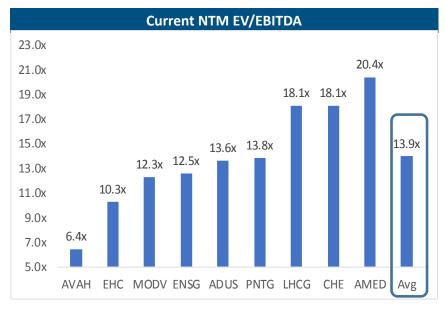
Company Snapshot			
Ticker:	AVAH		
Industry:	Healthcare Services		
Headquarters (City):	Atlanta		
Headquarters (State):	Georgia		
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$1,495		
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$750		
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$50		
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$797		
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	602,208		
Short Interest (% of float):	5.3%		

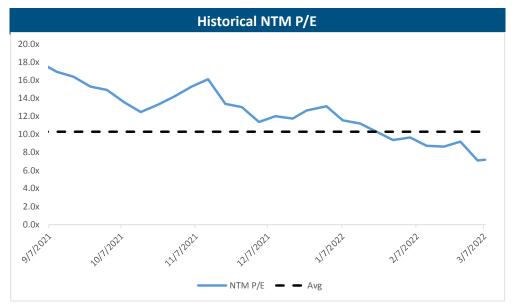


## AVAH - Valuation Profile

- Valuation sits below the most recent average since the 2021 IPO, based on both NTM consensus EV/EBITDA and P/E.
- AVAH currently trades at 6.4x NTM consensus EBITDA well below the peer average of 14.9x.

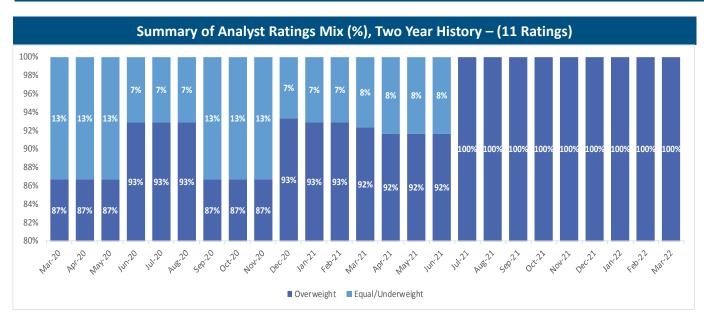






# EHC - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

#### Overweight (OW) Rating, \$78 Price Target



Stephens vs. Street – Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests.				
Stephens vs Stephens Street Street (%)				
2022E	\$5,466	\$5,450	0.3%	
2023E	\$5,886	\$5,910	-0.4%	
2024E	\$6,334	\$6,401	-1.0%	

Stephens vs. Street – EBITDA (\$Mil.) Ests.					
Stephens vs. Stephens Street Street (%)					
2022E	\$1,045	\$1,042	0.3%		
2023E	\$1,144	\$1,139	0.4%		
2024E	\$1,253	\$1,261	-0.6%		

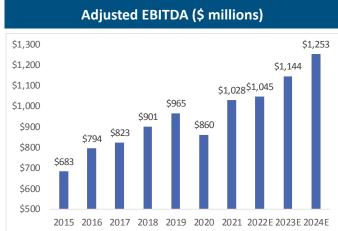


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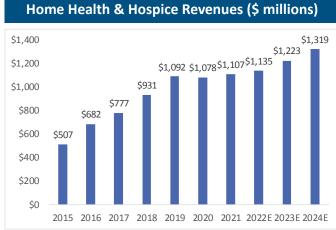
## EHC - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics

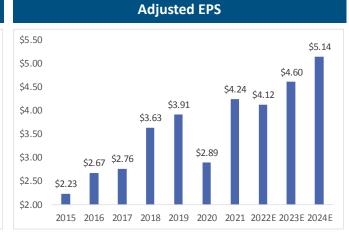




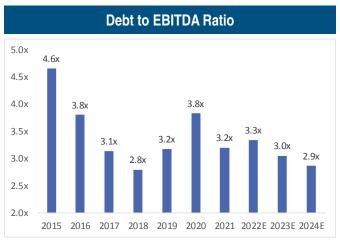


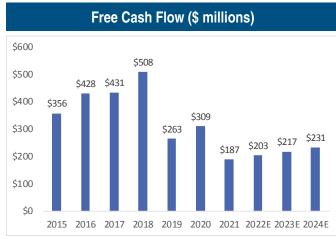


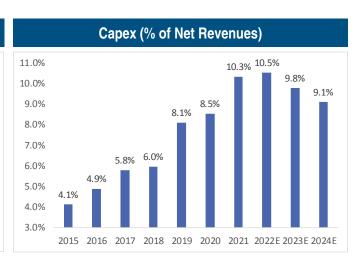


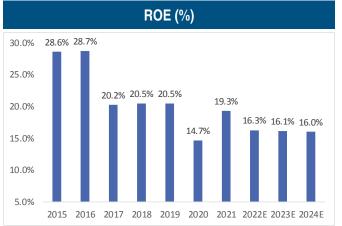


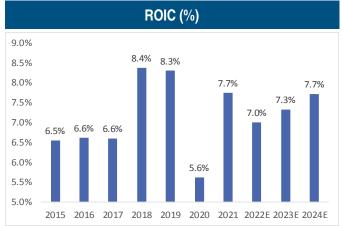
# EHC - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Balance Sheet/Cash Flow Metrics













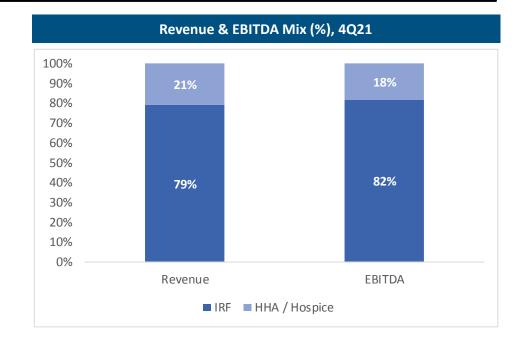
#### **EHC - Business Overview**

EHC is a leading provider of integrated healthcare services, offering both facility-based and home-based patient care through its network of inpatient rehabilitation facilities (IRFs), home health agencies, and hospice agencies. As of December 31, 2021, EHC's national footprint spanned 42 states and Puerto Rico and includes 145 IRFs and 251 home health and 96 hospice locations.

EHC operates two primary business segments. In 2021, the IRF business represented 78% of EHC's consolidated revenues and 82% of total EBITDA. The Home Health & Hospice segment accounted for the remaining 22% and 18% of consolidated revenues and EBITDA, respectively. EHC is the largest owner and operator of IRFs in the U.S., the 4<sup>th</sup> largest provider of Medicare-certified skilled home health services and a top 12 provider of hospice services (post the 7/1 Alacare acquisition).

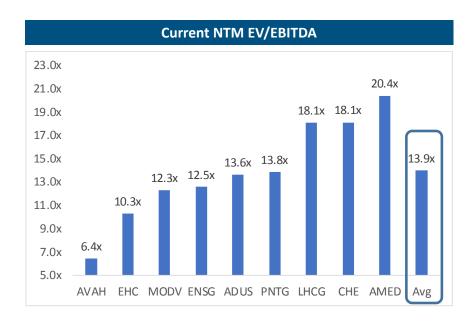
Payer Mix: Medicare FFS is the primary payer of EHC's services, representing ~64% of its 2021 consolidated revenues (~64% of IRF business revenues and ~82% of Home Health & Hospice segment revenues). Medicare Advantage and managed care payers accounted for 15.2% and 12.1% of EHC's consolidated 2021 revenues, respectively.

Company Snapshot			
Ticker:	EHC		
Industry:	Healthcare Facilities		
Headquarters (City):	Birmingham		
Headquarters (State):	Alabama		
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$5,122		
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$6,751		
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$120		
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$3,538		
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	744,700		
Short Interest (% of float):	3.5%		

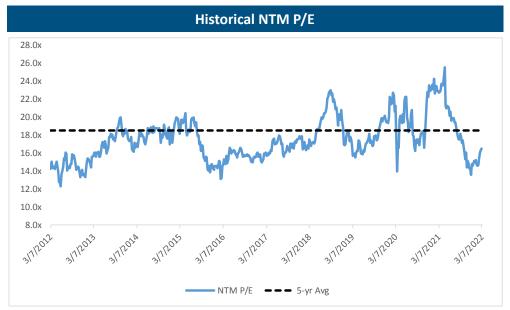


## **EHC - Valuation Profile**

- Valuations sits below the most recent five-year averages, based on NTM consensus EV/EBITDA.
- EHC currently trades at 10.3x NTM consensus EBITDA vs. the peer average of 14.9x.
- We believe EHC trades at a discounted valuation to the group given the perceived slower growth profile of the IRF business, as well as the recent volumes underperformance in HH&H relative to peers AMED and LHCG.

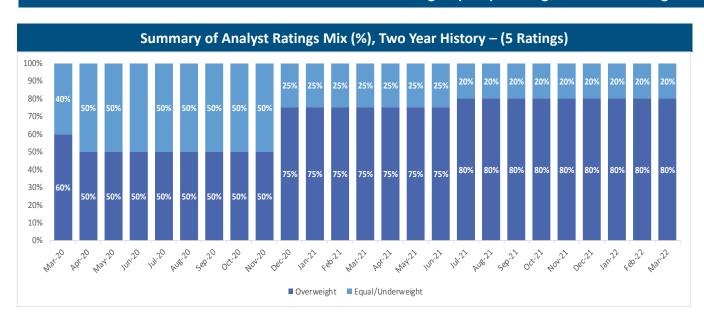






# ENSG - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

#### Overweight (OW) Rating, \$98 Price Target

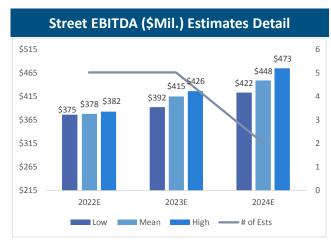


Stephens vs. Street – Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests.				
	Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)	
2022E	\$2,954	\$2,948	0.2%	
2023E	\$3,304	\$3,219	2.6%	
2024E	\$3,660	\$3,504	4.5%	

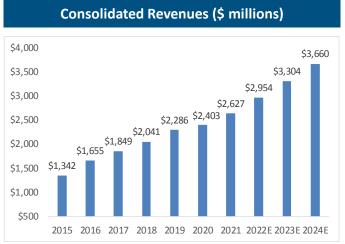
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Stephens vs. Stephens Street Street (%)					
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20	24E	\$473	\$448	5.7%	

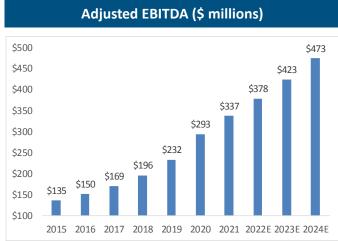


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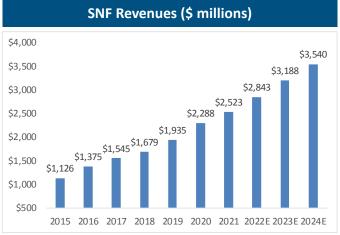


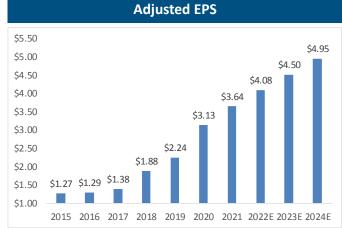
# **ENSG - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics**





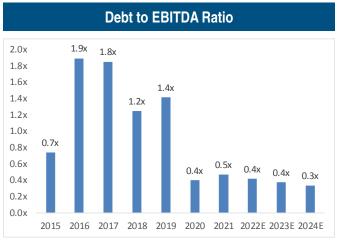


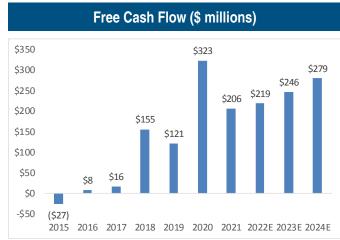


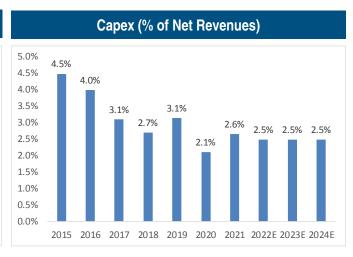


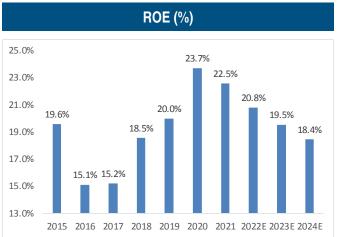


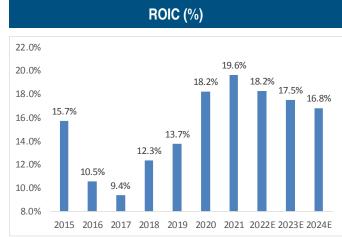
# ENSG - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Balance Sheet/Cash Flow Metrics













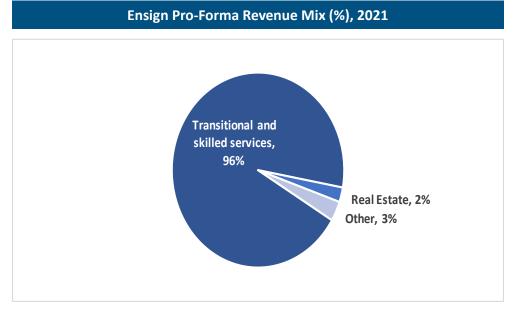
### **ENSG - Business Overview**

Ensign is a provider of health care services across the post-acute care continuum. As of December 31, 2021, the company operated 245 skilled nursing, assisted living facilities and campus operations. ENSG also owns a large and growing portfolio of real estate assets through its newly formed "Standard Bearer Healthcare REIT Inc."

In 4Q21, ENSG's Transitional and Skilled Services business accounted for 95% of consolidated revenues. Real Estate accounted for 1% of consolidated 3Q revenues, and the Other segment totaled the remaining 4%.

Within the business, Medicaid was the primary payer in 4Q21 at 45.8% of consolidated revenues; followed by Medicare (~27.2% of revs) and managed care (~17.5% of revs) and other (~9.5% of revs).

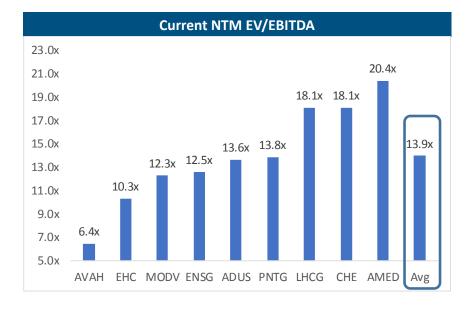
Company Snapshot			
Ticker:	ENSG		
Industry:	Healthcare Facilities		
Headquarters (City):	San Juan Capistrano		
Headquarters (State):	California		
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$2,552		
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$4,681		
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$276		
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$1,265		
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	246,273		
Short Interest (% of float):	3.0%		



# **ENSG - Valuation Profile**

- Valuation sits slightly above the most recent five-year averages, based on both NTM consensus EV/EBITDA and P/E.
- ENSG currently trades at 12.5x NTM consensus EBITDA vs. the peer average of 13.9x.

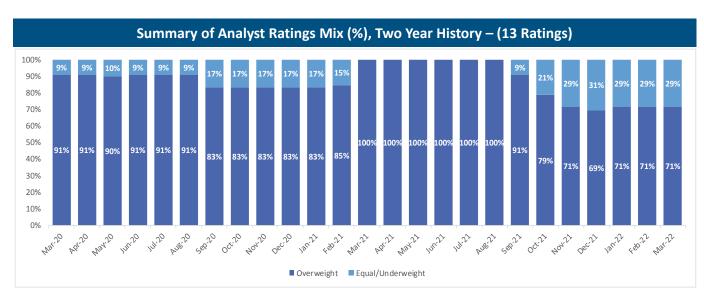






# LHCG - Street Ratings and Summary of Key Estimates vs. Stephens

### Overweight (OW) Rating, \$165 Price Target

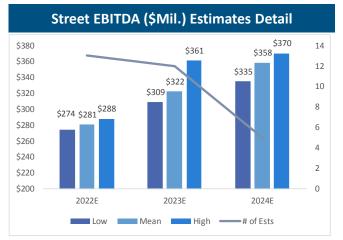




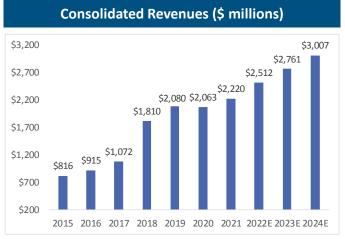
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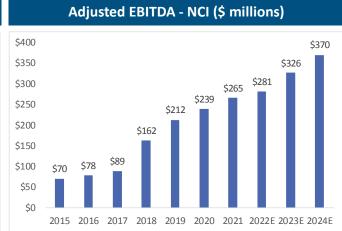
Stephens vs. Street – Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests.				
Stephens vs. Stephens Street Street (%)				
2022E	\$2,512	\$2,497	0.6%	
2023E	\$2,761	\$2,743	0.7%	
2024E	\$3,007	\$3,021	-0.5%	

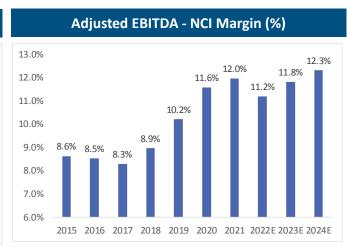
Stephens vs. Street – EBITDA (\$Mil.) Ests.				
Stephens vs Stephens Street Street (%)				
2022E	\$281	\$281	0.0%	
2023E	\$326	\$322	1.1%	
2024E	\$370	\$358	3.2%	

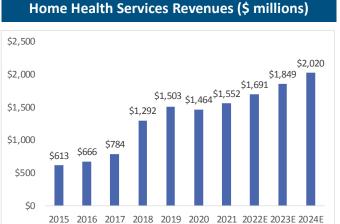


# LHCG - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics





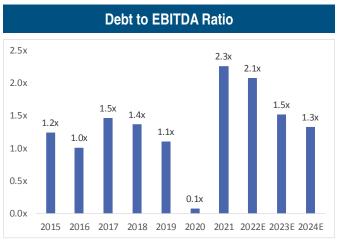


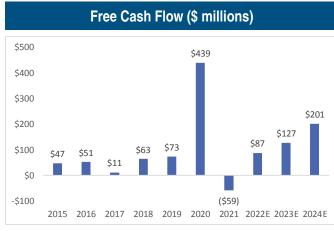


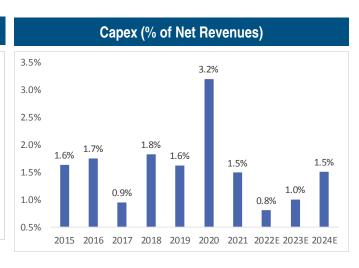


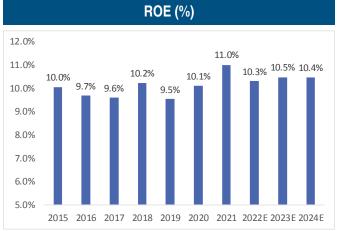


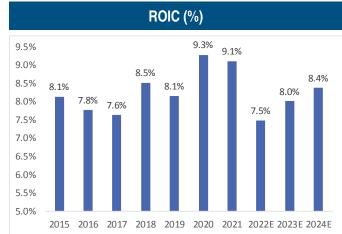
# LHCG - Key Forecasts Snapshot: Balance Sheet/Cash Flow Metrics











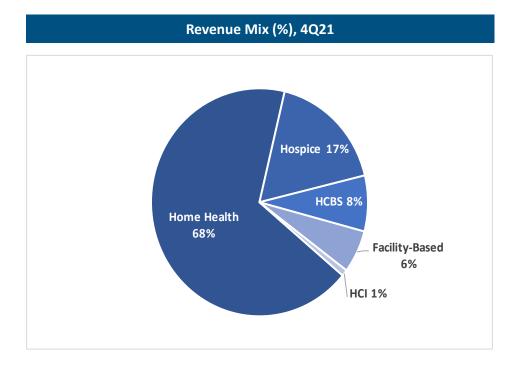


### **LHCG - Business Overview**

LHC Group provides post-acute health care services to patients through home nursing agencies, hospice agencies, home and community-based services agencies, long-term acute care hospitals ("LTACHs") and healthcare innovations services. The company operates 868 service locations in 35 states within the U.S. through wholly- and majority-owned subsidiaries, equity joint ventures and controlled affiliates.

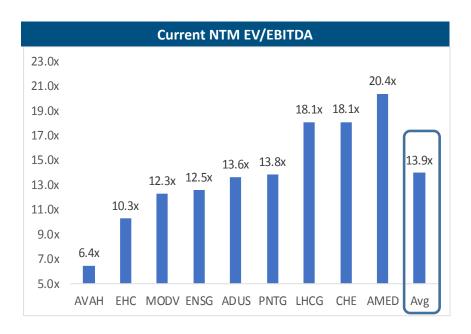
LHC Group provides services through five segments: home health (557 locations – 209 JVs), hospice (170 locations – 62 JVs), home and community-based (136 locations – 15 JVs), facility-based (93 facilities – 11 JVs -- including 11 LTACHs), and healthcare innovations (14 HCl locations – 1 JV).

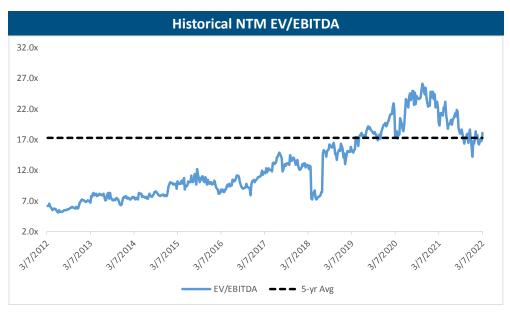
Company Snapshot			
Ticker:	LHCG		
Industry:	Healthcare Facilities		
Headquarters (City):	Lafayette		
Headquarters (State):	Louisiana		
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$2,220		
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$4,363		
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$10		
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$778		
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	248,820		
Short Interest (% of float):	3.9%		



## LHCG - Valuation Profile

- Valuation is in line with the most recent five-year averages, based both on NTM consensus EV/EBITDA and below on P/E.
- LHCG currently trades at 18.1x NTM consensus EBITDA vs. the peer average of 13.9x.

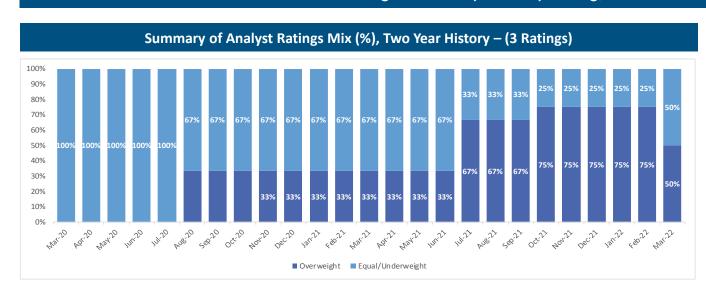






# PNTG - Historical Stock Performance and Summary of Key Stephens' Estimates vs. Street

## Overweight/Volatile (OW-Vol.) Rating, \$26 Price Target

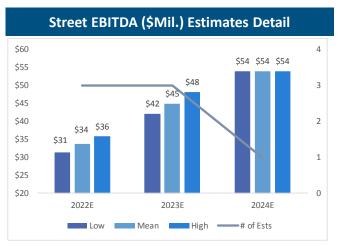


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Current Price		\$15		
Street Low		\$17		
Street Mean			\$25	
Street High				\$37
Stephens			\$26	
\$0	\$10	\$20	\$30	\$40

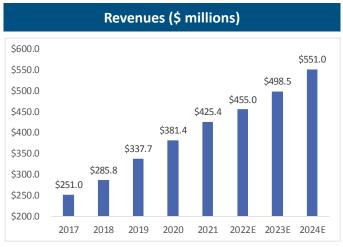
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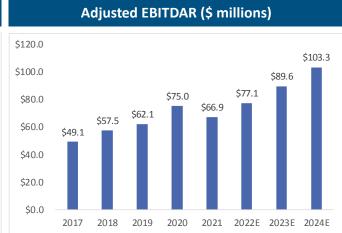
Stephens vs. Street – Revenue (\$Mil.) Ests.					
Stephens vs. Stephens Street Street (%)					
2022E	\$455	\$456	-0.2%		
2023E	\$499	\$502	-0.6%		
2024E	\$551	\$551	0.0%		

	Stephens vs. Street – EBITDA (\$Mil.) Ests.			(\$Mil.) Ests.
_		Stephens	Street	Stephens vs. Street (%)
	2022E	\$36	\$34	6.0%
	2023E	\$45	\$45	-0.6%
	2024E	\$54	\$54	0.0%



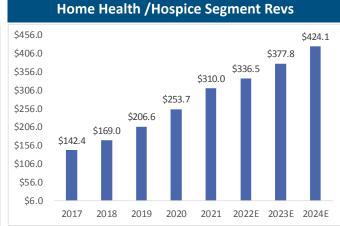
# PNTG – Stephens Key Forecasts Snapshot: Income Statement Metrics







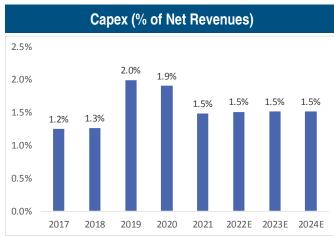




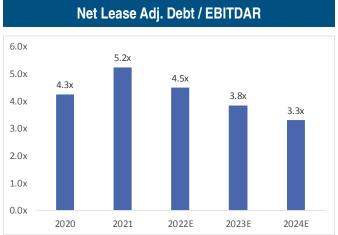


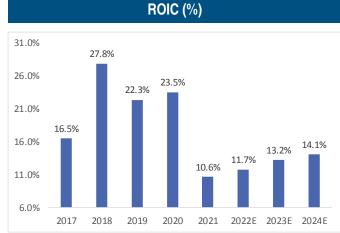
# PNTG – Stephens Key Forecasts Snapshot: Balance Sheet/Cash Flow Metrics













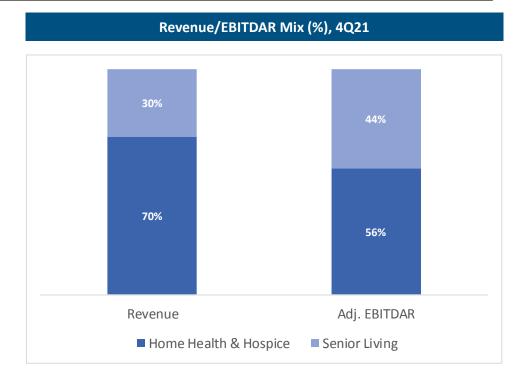
## **PNTG Business Overview**

On October 1, 2019, The Ensign Group (ENSG-OW rated) spun off its home health and hospice operations and substantially all of its senior living operations into The Pennant Group.

The Pennant Group is a provider of health care services across the post-acute care continuum. As of December 31, 2021, the company operated 88 home health, hospice and home care agencies and 54 senior living communities across 14 states. Pennant's senior living services include the operation of assisted living, independent living, and memory care communities.

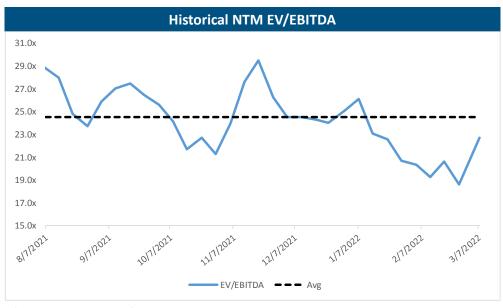
PNTG's Home Health and Hospice Services business accounted for 70% of total revenue and 60% of adjusted EBITDAR in 4Q21, with Senior Living Services comprising the remaining 30% of revenue and 40% of EBITDAR. Across the consolidated business, Medicare was the primary payer in 4Q21 at ~49.3% of revenues, followed by private pay (26.2%), Medicaid (~13.3%), and managed care (11.2%),

Company Snapshot		
Ticker:	PNTG	
Industry:	Healthcare Facilities	
Headquarters (City):	Eagle	
Headquarters (State):	Idaho	
TTM Revenues (\$Mil.):	\$440	
Market Cap (\$Mil.):	\$427	
Cash & Equivalents (\$Mil.):	\$5	
Debt (\$Mil.):	\$355	
Avg. Daily Volume (TTM):	141,244	
Short Interest (% of float):	4.4%	

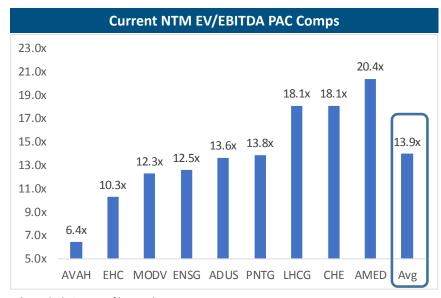


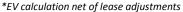
# PNTG - Valuation Profile

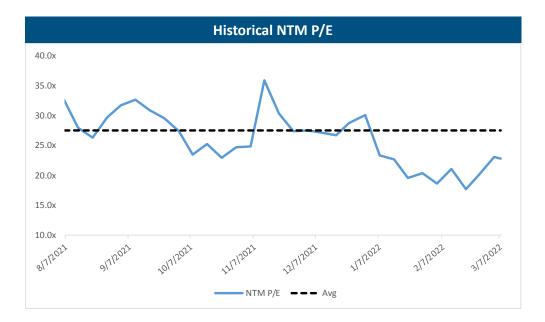
 PNTG currently trades at 13.8x NTM consensus EBITDA vs. the PAC peer average of 13.9x.



\*EV calculation inclusive of lease adjustments







# **Companies Mentioned**

<u>Ticker</u>	Company	<u>Price</u>
ACHC	Acadia Healthcare Company, Inc.	\$61.01
ADUS	Addus HomeCare Corporation	\$80.48
AGL	agilon health inc	\$21.22
ALHC	Alignment Healthcare, Inc.	\$9.49
AMED	Amedisys, Inc.	\$158.40
ANTM	Anthem, Inc.	\$456.45
AVAH	Aveanna Healthcare Holdings Inc \$4	
BHG	Bright Health Group, Inc. \$1.84	
CANO	Cano Health Inc Class A \$4.46	
CHE	Chemed Corporation \$485.99	
CLOV	Clover Health Investments, Corp. Class \$2.62	
CNC	Centene Corporation \$83.52	
CI	Cigna Corporation	\$238.75
CSGN-SWX	Credit Suisse Group AG	\$7.06
CVS	CVS Health Corporation	\$105.00
CYH	Community Health Systems, Inc.	\$10.68
DBK-ETR	Deutsche Bank AG	\$9.67
EHC	Encompass Health Corporation	\$67.22
ENSG	Ensign Group, Inc.	\$85.84
HCA	HCA Healthcare Inc	\$260.27
HUM	Humana Inc.	\$428.28
INNV	Innov Age Holding Corp.	\$4.83
JPM	JPMorgan Chase & Co.	\$130.26
LHCG	LHC Group, Inc.	\$137.99
MODV	ModivCare Inc.	\$107.21
МОН	Molina Healthcare, Inc.	\$310.31
OSCR	Oscar Health, Inc. Class A	\$7.41
ONEM	1Life Healthcare, Inc.	\$9.65
OSH	Oak Street Health, Inc.	\$21.52
PRVA	Privia Health Group, Inc.	\$24.03
PNTG	Pennant Group Inc	\$15.60
SEM	Select Medical Holdings Corporation \$23.66	
THC	Tenet Healthcare Corporation	\$86.27
TTRI	Thomson Reuters Corporation	\$105.50
UBS	UBS Group AG	\$15.11
UNH	UnitedHealth Group Incorporated \$487.05	
UHS	Universal Health Services, Inc. Class B	\$149.48

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CMS
Kaiser Family Foundation
MedPac
PWC

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