

Private Equity Physician Deals: What Investors, Physicians, and Hospitals Need to Know in 2022

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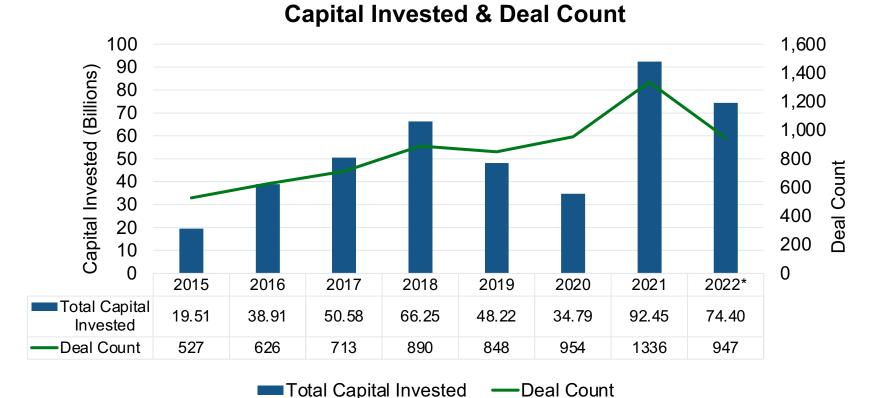




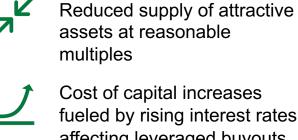
RECENT TRENDS IN DEAL FLOW



Deal volumes in total healthcare private equity on pace to decline from record 2021



Current Assessments:



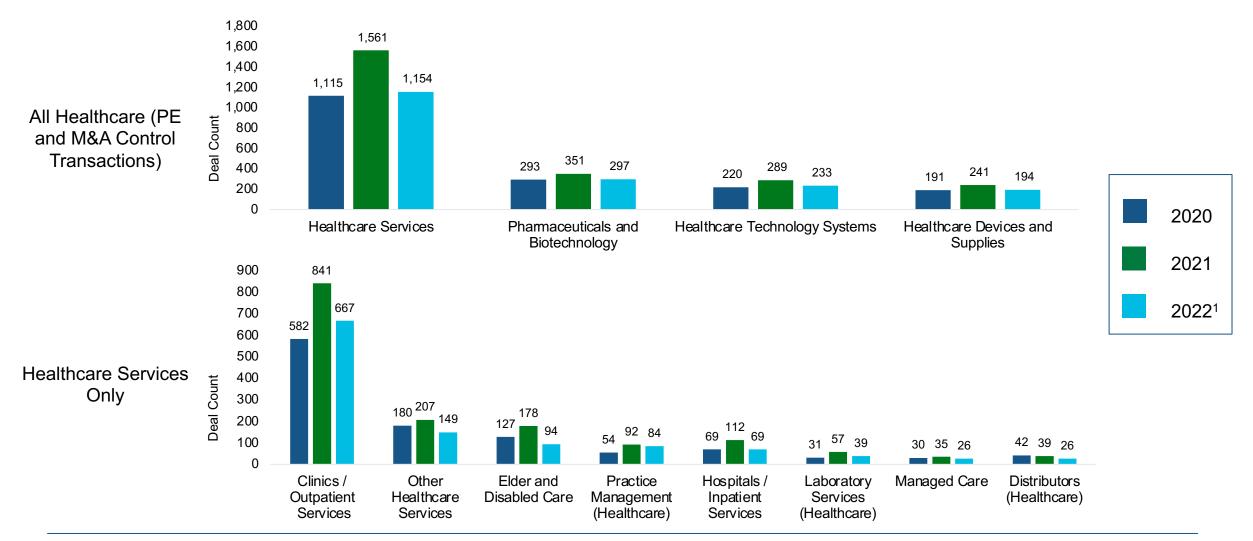
Cost of capital increases fueled by rising interest rates affecting leveraged buyouts

Uncertainty in reimbursement, healthcare labor market, and inflationary pressures

Reduced competition for assets with some buyers preserving capital

* 2022 annualized

CURRENT DEAL VOLUME BY SECTOR

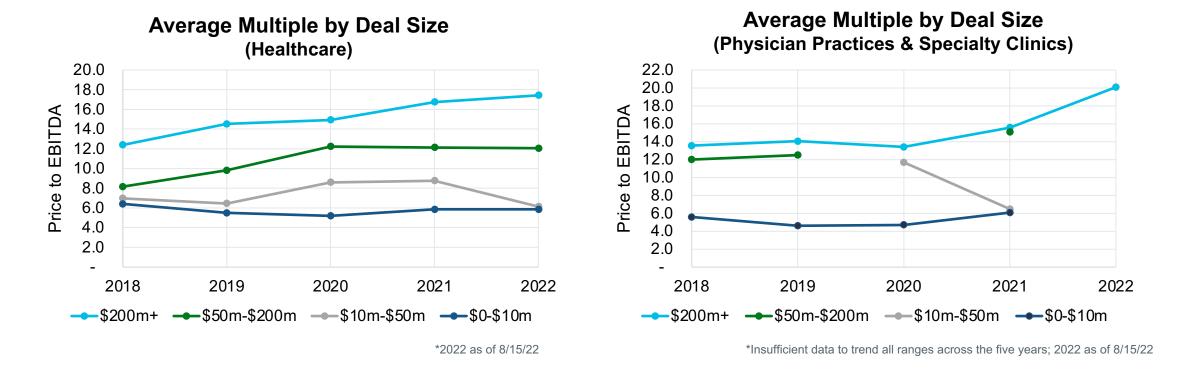




RECENT TRENDS IN DEAL FLOW



Platform companies continue to command higher valuations, with increased multiples possibly due to increased scarcity in platforms coming to market.



FACTORS SUPPORTING CONTINUED INVESTMENT IN HEALTHCARE





Healthcare investments historically realized **attractive internal rates of return** compared to broader private equity investments

Consistent annual growth (except 2020) in health services spending, with **profits projected to grow 5% annually**¹

Healthcare still largely local, providing some insulation to external threats

Highly fragmented sectors present efficiency opportunities in rollups



Increased demand for services as populations age

Integration opportunities across care continuum

Industry's recession resilience





PHYSICIAN PRACTICE OWNERSHIP



Physician employment remains strong coming into 2022, with only approximately 1 out of every 4 physicians in independent practice.



SELL-SIDE DRIVERS

Shifting Financial Risk

- Continued reimbursement pressures
- Managing business disruptions
- Rising costs (i.e. labor, inflationary pressure, etc.)

Administrative Burden

Consistent Regulatory Burden

Work / Life Balance

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Succession Planning and Monetizing Practice Growth





POTENTIAL PARTNERSHIP PATHS



Physician Practice / Ambulatory Service Provider

Partnership Opportunities	Health System	Private Equity / Corporate Consolidator	Payer
Objectives	Targets largely fill gaps in services for care delivery and clinical integration	Acquire scale and efficiencies through platform and tuck in acquisitions	Care management to drive cost reductions
	Acquire and integrate (no exit plan)	Build for exit/liquidity event through focus on strong financial performance and investment return	Retain achieved savings within health plan rather than sharing with providers
	Less focused on achieving scale and efficiencies	Structured to allow for practice management in accordance with corporate practice of medicine statutes	High focus on financial performance and investment return
	Heightened focus on fraud and abuse laws given referral opportunities		Possible exit in future

POTENTIAL PARTNERSHIP PATHS



Physician Practice / Ambulatory Service Provider				
Partnership Opportunities	Health System	Private Equity / Corporate Consolidator	Payer	
Physician Seller Needs to Know	Restrictive Covenants / Non- competes	Restrictive Covenants / Non- competes	Restrictive Covenants / Non- competes	
	Longer term employment agreement at fair market value compensation	Employment agreement at reduced compensation to create capitalized practice earnings for acquisition	Employment agreement at somewhat reduced compensation	
	Some systems avoid paying for intangible assets	Possibly some rollover equity to incentivize retention and growth	Various other bonus components (e.g., stock options)	
	Limitations on ongoing additional investments			

SELL-SIDE SURPRISES

Due Diligence Process

Asset acquisition considerations

- Retained liabilities / debt-like terms
- Practice wind down

Other expenses

- Tail Insurance
- Transaction expenses
- Representations and warranties insurance

Legal matters

- Indemnification provisions / escrowed funds
- Representations and warranties

Net working capital targets / settlements





ADDITIONAL CORPORATE DISRUPTORS



"Optum gets go-ahead from Massachusetts AG for \$236M Atrius Health purchase"

Source: Becker's Hospital Review (April 22, 2022)

"Potential Atrius sale evokes sadness, concerns"

Source: CommonWealth Nonprofit Journal of Politics, Ideas & Civic Life (June 22, 2021)

"Vertically integrated payer-provider groups raise antitrust concerns"

Source: Modern Healthcare (March 22, 2022)

"Walgreens takes bigger \$5.2 billion stake in VillageMD as drugstore giant launches 'Walgreens Health'" Source: Forbes (Oct. 2021)

"Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan dips a toe into the provider business" Source: Modern Healthcare (Aug. 15, 2021)

"Humana, private equity firm team up to open Medicare-centric primary care clinics" Source: Forbes (Feb. 3, 2020)

"Walmart may soon become the largest primary care provider in the country"

Source: Forbes (Feb. 16, 2022)

EMERGING TRENDS IN HEALTHCARE TRANSACTIONS



Several themes are arising in 2022 investments

Consumerization of care

- Patients want better experiences and technology like mobile apps and smart devices are allowing them to play an active role in their health
- Investment in ambulatory access points with comprehensive services

Digital solutions that improve operational efficiency

 Digitalization of supply chain and/or leveraging data to improve revenue cycle management

Willingness to take on development risk

 Investors with scientific expertise are increasingly willing to bet on cutting-edge biopharma and life science technologies

EMERGING TRENDS IN PRACTICE ACQUISITIONS

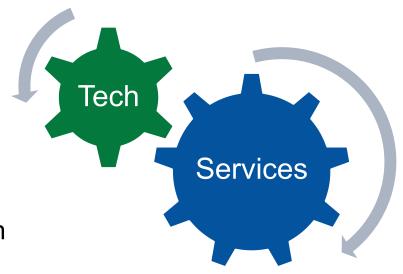
Additional value is being achieved by practices with integrated technologies or core competencies

Digital Health

- Data driven
- Evidenced clinical outcome improvements
- Tele-behavioral health expansion opportunities under Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021

Value-based Care Competencies

- Capitated care management solutions with sophistication and systems to scale and manage patient populations
 - CMS-specific care models
 - Direct to consumer





EMERGING TRENDS IN PRACTICE ACQUISITIONS



Investor targets remain in fragmented sectors with scalability, enhanced access to consumers, and significant ancillary revenue streams



Surgical specialties (e.g., ophthalmology, gastroenterology



Fragmented ambulatory services



Primary care with care management competencies to manage populations



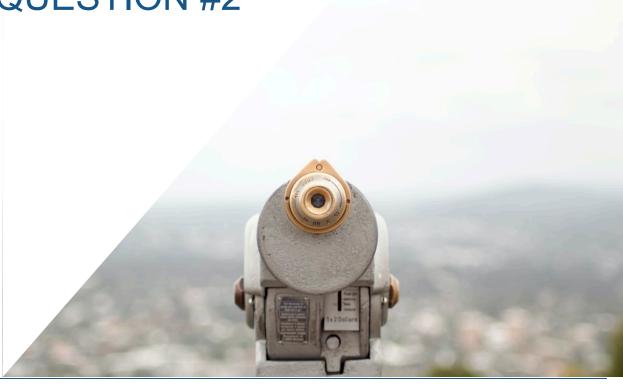


Outpatient behavioral health





POLLING QUESTION #2



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TRANSACTION CONSIDERATIONS

Structuring the Transaction

- Transaction Participants
 - PE Firm
 - Management Company
 - Physician Practice "Target" selling assets / equity
 - Physician Practice Platform or Newco
- Business Points
 - Target Business Operations
 - Platform Transaction v. Add-On
 - Equity v. Asset Transaction

- Legal Considerations in Structure
 - CPOM / MSO-PC
 - Certificate of Need / CHOW
 - Antitrust
 - Tax
- Key Stages
 - LOI
 - Due Diligence / Pre-Closing
 - Transaction Documents and Closing
 - Post-Closing



HOW TO STRUCTURE AN EFFECTIVE MSO





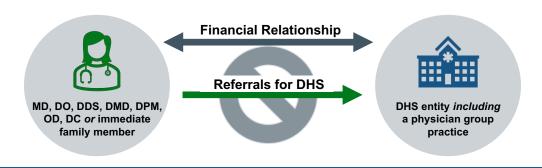
- Clinical or non-clinical owners/investors own in MSO
- PC (or PLLC) owned by one or more licensed physicians, employs the physicians and other licensed individuals who
 provide professional medical services, and contracts with insurance payors
- MSO owns the non-clinical assets and otherwise is only connected to PC through an Administrative Services Agreement ("ASA")
- MSO must leave clinical decisions to the licensed physicians and mid-level providers who own, or are employed by, the PC (e.g., no pressure to perform procedures, recommend additional visits, decide to terminate patients, etc.)

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS



Regulatory Framework

- Corporate Practice of Medicine
- Fee-Splitting
- Fraud and abuse
 - Anti-Kickback Statute
 - Stark Law
 - Civil Monetary Penalties Law
 - False Claims Act
 - Overpayment Rule
 - State Laws



- Provider Enrollment
- Billing and Reimbursement
- Licensure
- Certificate of Need
- Data Privacy and Security
- State Insurance Laws

BUY-SIDE CONSIDERATIONS



Heightened Department of Justice and Federal Trade Commission focus on private equity in anti-trust enforcement

"We are focused on potential antitrust enforcement on private equity "roll-ups," namely whether in particular circumstances a series of often smaller transactions can cumulatively or otherwise lead to a substantial lessening of competition or tendency to create a monopoly.

Similarly, we will analyze whether private equity companies may violate the antitrust laws with investments creating or enhancing power across a "stack" of technology or other products/services."

- Andrew J. Forman

Deputy Assistant Attorney General General Antitrust Division U.S. Department of Justice

BUY-SIDE CONSIDERATIONS



Heightened Department of Justice actions involving private equity backed healthcare consolidators

\$25 million settlement related to alleged use of unlicensed, unqualified physicians

UNITED STATES of America EX REL. Christine MARTINO-FLEMING, Relator and Commonwealth of Massachusetts ex rel. Christine Martino-Fleming, Relator v. SOUTH BAY MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS, Community Intervention Services, Inc., H.I.G. Growth Partners, LLC, H.I.G. Capital, LLC, Peter J. Scanlon, and Kevin P. Sheehan, Defendants." *United States ex rel. Martino-Fleming v. S. Bay Mental Health Ctrs.*, 540 F. Supp. 3d 103, (D. Mass. 2021)

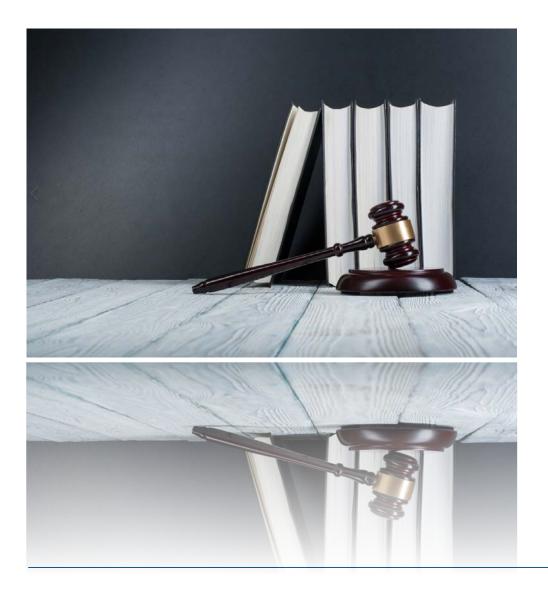
\$15.3 million settlement related to alleged false claims and kickbacks

United States ex rel. Mandalapu, et al. v. Alliance Family of Companies, Inc., et al., No. 4:17-cv-00740; United States ex rel. Fuller v. Respiratory Sleep Solutions, et al., No. 4:17-cv-01197; United States ex rel. Calcanis v. Alliance Family of Companies, Inc., et al., No. 4:19-cv-1497; United States, et al. ex rel. Jane Doe v. Alliance Family of Companies, LLC, et al., No. 4:19-cv-1213; United States, et al. ex rel. McKay v. Alliance Family of Companies, LLC, et al., No. 4:18-cv-1949; and United States, et al. ex rel. Krasnov v. Alliance Family of Companies, LLC, et al., No. 4:19-cv-4886.

\$8.9 million settlement related to alleged false claims

United States of America ex rel. Sheila Rose and Louis Rose v. Fortress Investment Group, LLC. et al., Case Number 3:13-cv-00314-MO.





POLLING QUESTION #3

ENGAGING PHYSICIAN SELLERS

Earnouts

Equity Considerations

- Rollover
- Profits Interests
- Z Units

Protections in Rollover Documents

- Constructive resignation provisions in the physician employment agreements
- Inclusion of default events in LLCA related to breach of structural documents
- Requirements to enforce terms in agreements (e.g., non-competes)
- Prohibitions on amendments
- Redemption of equity in the event a breach event occurs

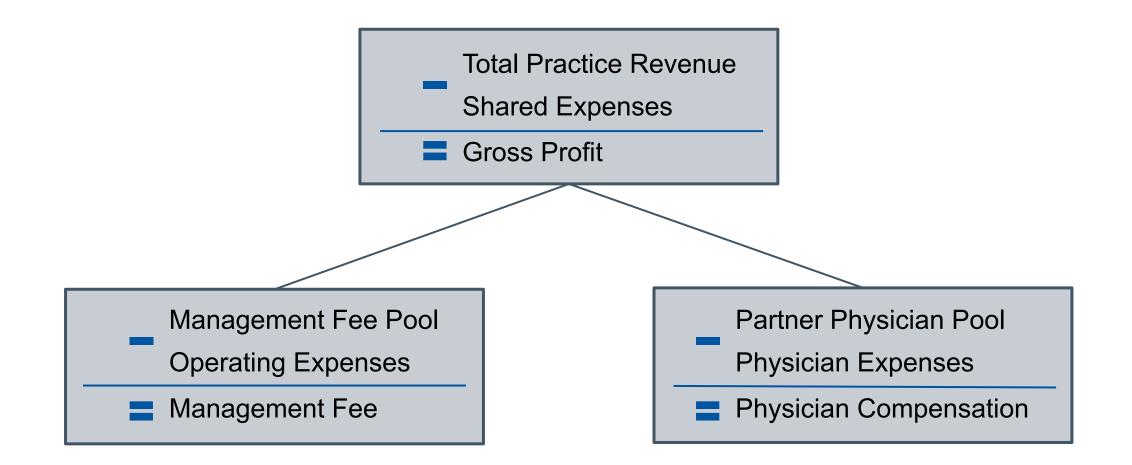
Effective compensation models





EBPC COMPENSATION MODEL





POST-CLOSING



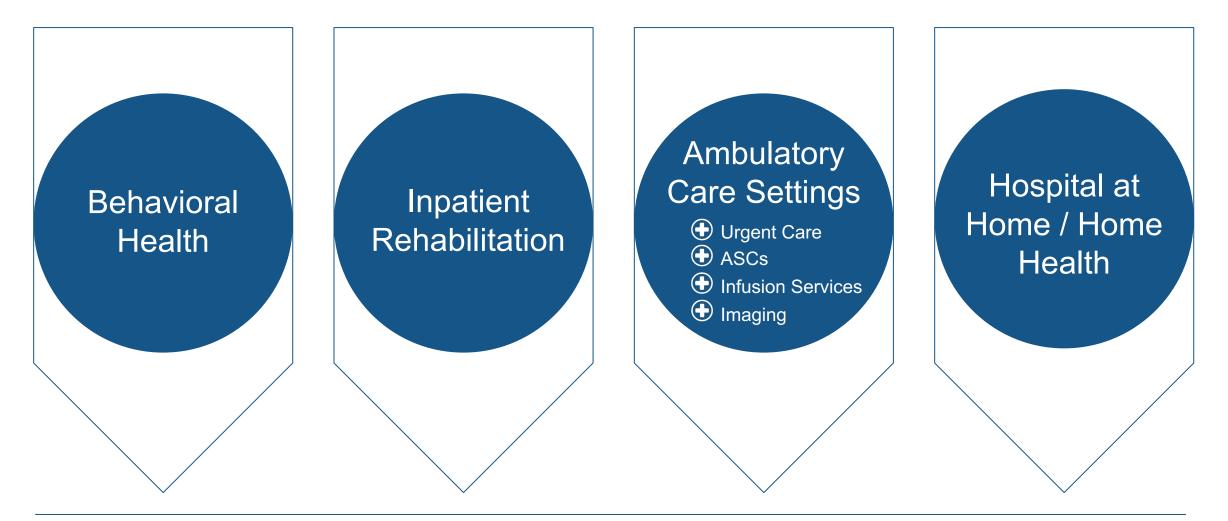
Growth Opportunities

- Ancillary Opportunities
 - Laboratory
 - Pharmacy
 - DME
- Lithotripsy
- Radiation Oncology
- Ambulatory Surgery

Partnership Opportunities

- JV Ambulatory Surgery Center
- Clinically Integrated Network
- Professional Services Agreement
- Clinical Co-Management

AFFILIATION MODELS BETWEEN INVESTOR-OWNED COMPANIES AND HEALTH SYSTEMS



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KEY DEAL PITFALLS TO AVOID



Lack of controls around cash management/reporting Inappropriate application of accrual basis accounting Counting on non-recurring revenue sources **FINANCE** Underfunding retirement benefits CONSIDERATIONS **Undisclosed litigation** Lack of Provider Relief Funding reporting Tax compliance issues

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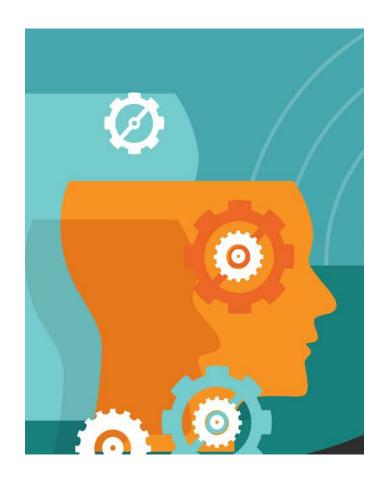
- Inappropriate service billings
- Incorrect application of supervision protocols
- Under arrangements
 - Coding and documentation fallacies
- Prompt overpayment refunds to payers
- Financial relationships with referral sources
- IT Security / HIPAA protocols
- Effective compliance programs
- Licensure lapses

Post-Transaction Integration

Compliance

Matters

- Management competencies
- --- Lack of physician engagement
- Cultural fit with acquirer's management





How can we HELP?



