# Q1 2023 Hospital and Health System Market Update

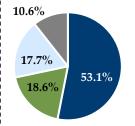


### **Market Commentary**

- While down from Q1 2022 levels, hospital and health system M&A volume in Q1 2023 remained robust with 21 announced transactions.
- Calendar year 2022 posed challenges for the sector with several factors, such as labor shortages, inflation, and lower patient volumes, bringing significant financial and operational pressures to many systems, forcing some to explore strategic alternatives, such as M&A and partnerships, to remain viable.
- While these COVID-19 era pressures still linger, there are signs they may be easing, which should offer more stability in 2023. However, this could reverse course should we see additional COVID-19 case surges or the U.S economy stumble into a recession.
- We have seen more resilient hospitals and health systems with strong balance sheets and ample cash opportunistically acquire other systems, physician groups, and other ancillary care providers, such as ambulatory surgery centers and urgent care clinics, to expand care capabilites and geographic reach.
- Other systems in more dire financial positions have been evaluating their portfolios and divesting non-core assets to soften the blow of deep operating losses. This trend is exemplified by ProMedica, an Ohio-based not-for-profit health system, who since 2021 has divested over \$1Bn of assets, including their home care and hospice assets, skilled nursing facilities, and health plan Medicaid contracts.
- Health systems are seeking to reverse the poor performance of 2022. However, inflation currently outpaces reimbursement rates, posing a significant challenge for health systems. Negotiations with insurers are expected to be a major hurdle in 2023, as they strive to balance financial sustainability with patient care.



### Acquisitions by Target Sector O1 2022 - O1 20231



- Physician Medical Groups
- **Ancillary Services**
- Other

Hospitals

#### Select Precedent Transactions<sup>1</sup>

Announcement				Key Deal/Target
Date	Acquirer	Target	Target Industry	Metrics
03/02/23	MercyOne, a member of Trinity Health	Genesis Health System, Inc.	Health System	2022 Revenue: \$728MM
02/28/23	Novant Health, Inc.	Lake Norman Regional Medical Center and Davis Regional Medical Center	Health System	Deal Value: \$320MM
02/27/23	Gentiva Health Services, Inc.	ProMedica's Heartland home health and hospice assets	Healthcare Provider	Deal Value: \$710MM
01/12/23	Sentara Healthcare	AvMed, Inc.	Health Plan	2022 Direct Premium Written: \$770MM
01/03/23	BayCare Health System, Inc.	Northside Behavioral Health Center, Inc.	Behavioral Health	Undisclosed

# Select Public Company Trading Multiples<sup>2</sup>

(all financials in millions of USD, except per share items)

PUBLIC COMPANY TRADING MULTIPLES											
		03/31/23	1-Yr. Price	03/31/23 Close Price	03/31/23	03/31/23	LTM Fin	ancials	EBITDA	EV/L	TM
Company	Ticker	Close Price	Change	as % of 52-Week High	Market Cap.	Enterprise Value ("EV")	Revenue	EBITDA	Margin	Revenue	EBITDA
HCA Healthcare, Inc.	HCA	\$263.68	5.2%	94.5%	\$73,106	\$115,000	\$60,233	\$12,022	20.0%	1.9x	9.6x
Universal Health Services, Inc.	UHS	127.10	-12.3%	80.3%	8,982	14,200	13,399	1,643	12.3%	1.1x	8.6x
Tenet Healthcare Corporation	THC	59.42	-30.9%	64.7%	6,077	25,017	19,390	3,542	18.3%	1.3x	7.1x
Encompass Health Corporation	EHC	54.10	-23.9%	72.5%	5,395	8,917	4,349	874	20.1%	2.1x	10.2x
Select Medical Holdings Corporation	SEM	25.85	7.8%	84.0%	3,288	8,615	6,334	581	9.2%	1.4x	14.8x
Community Health Systems, Inc.	CYH	4.90	-58.7%	40.1%	643	13,546	12,211	1,168	9.6%	1.1x	11.6x

2022 was a difficult year for health systems, which was reflected in their market valuations. Examining select publicly-traded companies, the average EV/EBITDA valuation dropped as low as 8.1x during the year. Valuations in Q1 2023 appear to have rebounded and could recover further this year.



Min:	1.1x	7.1x
Median:	1.3x	9.9x
Mean:	1.5x	10.3x
Max:	2.1x	14.8x

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