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US Health Services Deals Insights Year-end 2016

Executive summary

2016 was an active year for US Health Services deals, but did not match the prior year, partly because of 2015's exceptional megadeals in Managed Care. The total number of deals decreased by only 1.4%, from 952 to 939, between 2015 and 2016, respectively. Total reported deal value was $71.7 billion in 2016, a decrease of 59.6% from the prior year. Deal volume was greatest in Q2 2016 (256 deals), and reported deal value was greatest in Q3 2016 ($20.7 billion).

Just as in 2015, Long-Term Care represented the largest sub-sector in terms of deal volume (337). However, unlike 2015, it was also the largest sub-sector by deal value ($14.4 billion), finishing the year with a strong Q4 2016.

2016's most-rapidly growing sub-sector in terms of deal volume was Rehabilitation (21.2%), and in terms of deal value it was Physician Medical Groups (384.6%).

2016 witnessed fewer megadeals (transactions exceeding $1 billion), with 14 megadeals compared to 18 in 2015. The greatest number of 2016 megadeals occurred in Q3. The year's largest deal – Envision Health Holdings' announced acquisition of AmSurg in Q2 2016 – accounted for approximately 9% of total deal value for the year.

IPO volume remained low in the health services sector in 2016, with only one reported, priced in Q2 2016.

Industry-wide mean EV/EBITDA multiples decreased by 0.4x in 2016. The SNFs / ALFs / LTACHs sub-sector witnessed the largest change versus 2015, decreasing to 10.2x from 14.8x.

> "Health Services M&A activity has been strong during the past several years with continued momentum being exhibited heading into 2017 across many sectors. However, attention should be paid to the evolution and implementation of the policies of the incoming administration as well as the outcome of the government's review of certain large mergers."
>
> — **Thad Kresho**,
> US Health Services Deals Leader

Total Deal Value

$71.7B 2016	**59.6%**	**8.7%**	**34.9%**
$18.9B Q4 2016	Decrease in deal value, 2016 versus 2015	Decrease in deal value, Q4 2016 versus Q3 2016	Increase in deal value; Q4 2016 versus Q4 2015

Total Deal Volume

939 2016	**1.4%**	**1.3%**	**11.7%**
227 Q4 2016	Decrease in deal volume, 2016 versus 2015	Increase in deal volume, Q4 2016 versus Q3 2016	Decrease in deal volume, Q4 2016 versus Q4 2015

Mean EV/EBITDA multiples

0.4x	**4**	**3**
Industry-wide decrease, 2016 versus 2015	Sub-sectors decreased, 2016 versus 2015	Sub-sectors increased, 2016 versus 2015

Source: *The Health Care M&A Information Source*, www.healthcareMandA.com; *S&P Capital IQ*

Key 2016 Trends

- Deal count decreased slightly in 2016.
- Deal value declined significantly, in part because 2015 was an exceptional megadeal year.
- Q2 2016 was the year's largest quarter by deal volume, and Q3 2016 the largest quarter by deal value.
- Leading sub-sectors included Long-Term Care (deal volume), Rehabilitation (deal volume growth), and Physician Medical Groups (deal value growth).
- The Managed Care sub-sector lagged in terms of both volume and value.
- Mean EV/EBITDA multiples were highest and grew the most in the Home Health/Hospice sub-sector.
- Only one IPO occurred in 2016.

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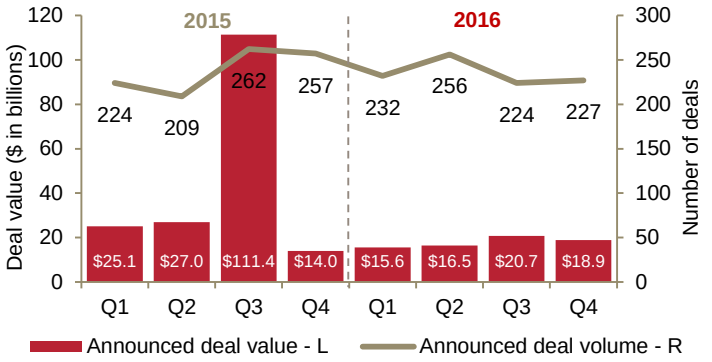
Key trends and insights

Announced M&A transactions declined in 2016

Overall deal volume in 2016 was only slightly lower than in 2015, declining by 1.4% to 939. However, overall deal value was significantly lower, decreasing by 59.6% to $71.7 billion. The decline in total value can be partially attributed to 2015's exceptional Q3 2015, in which Managed Care megadeals were announced.

In Q4 2016, deal volume increased slightly (1.3%) versus the prior quarter, but decreased 11.7% versus the prior year. Q4 2016 deal value decreased by 8.7% versus the prior quarter, but increased 34.9% versus the prior year.

Health services deal volume and value



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Sub-sector highlights

In terms of volume and value:

- As in 2015, Long-Term Care was the most active sub-sector in 2016. It experienced the greatest volume and share of deals: 337 and 36%, respectively.
- Deal value was greatest in the Long-Term Care sub-sector in 2016. Its total spend of $14.4 billion represented 20% of total deal value. The Hospitals sub-sector was the second-largest, with 19% of total deal value.

In terms of year-over-year growth:

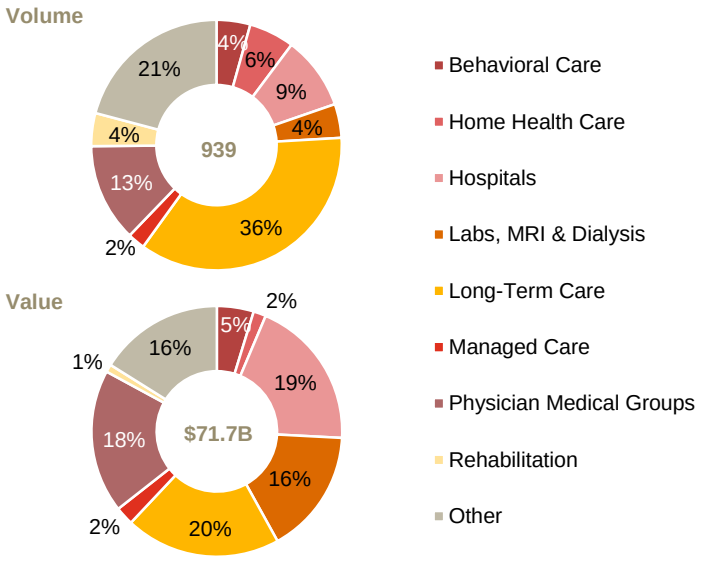
- The Physician Medical Groups sub-sector experienced the greatest deal value growth, almost quintupling with a growth rate of 384.6%. In terms of deal volume, the Rehabilitation sub-sector grew most rapidly (21.2%).
- The Managed Care sub-sector witnessed the largest decline in terms of both deal value and volume, decreasing by 98.3% and 53.3%, respectively.

Sub-sector deal volume, value, and year-over-year growth, 2016

# of Deals		Deal value ($ in millions)	Deal growth: By volume	Deal growth: By value
337	Long-Term Care	$14,387	-5.9%	0.8%
89	Hospitals	$13,950	-12.7%	46.7%
119	Physician Medical Groups	$13,263	19.0%	384.6%
41	Labs, MRI & Dialysis	$11,563	-21.2%	162.8%
196	Other	$11,546	14.6%	-73.5%
41	Behavioral Care	$3,410	2.5%	165.8%
21	Managed Care	$1,708	-53.3%	-98.3%
55	Home Health Care	$1,160	7.8%	121.0%
40	Rehabilitation	$712	21.2%	-10.9%
939		**$71,699**	**-1.4%**	**-59.6%**

Source: *The Health Care M&A Information Source,* www.healthcareMandA.com

Sub-sector deals by share of total Health Services volume and value, 2016



Totals may not sum to 100% due to rounding.
Source: *The Health Care M&A Information,* www.healthcareMandA.com

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Key trends and insights

Megadeal transactions decreased

In 2016, there were 14 deals exceeding $1 billion, representing a decrease of 4 deals from 2015, with 71.1% lower deal value. Megadeals represented only 59.3% of total deal value for the year, compared with 82.9% in 2015.

In Q4 2016, there were only 2 megadeals, valued at $7.2 billion in total. These figures represent a decrease in both volume and value, compared to both the prior year and the prior quarter.

The largest transaction announced in 2016 was Envision Health Holdings' acquisition of AmSurg Corporation for $6.7 billion, approximately 9% of 2016's total deal value.

Other notable transactions on a deal value basis included:

- Fresenius Helios' announcement to acquire Quironsalud for $6.5 billion (Q3 2016).
- The Blackstone Group's announcement to acquire Team Health for $6.1 billion (Q4 2016)
- Abbott Laboratories' announcement to acquire Alere Inc for $5.8 billion (Q1 2016).
- Danaher Corporation's announcement to acquire Cepheid for $3.9 billion (Q3 2016).

Megadeal highlights, 2016

Total number and value

14 megadeals totaling $42.5B

Largest megadeal sub-sectors

By volume: *Other Services (4), Physician Medical Groups (3)*

By value: *Physician Medical Groups ($13.8B)*

Largest transaction

Envision acquisition of AmSurg ($6.7B)

Source: *The Health Care M&A Information Source,* www.healthcareMandA.com

Trading multiples decreased

Industry-wide mean EV/EBITDA multiples declined slightly, decreasing by 0.4x to 12.4x.

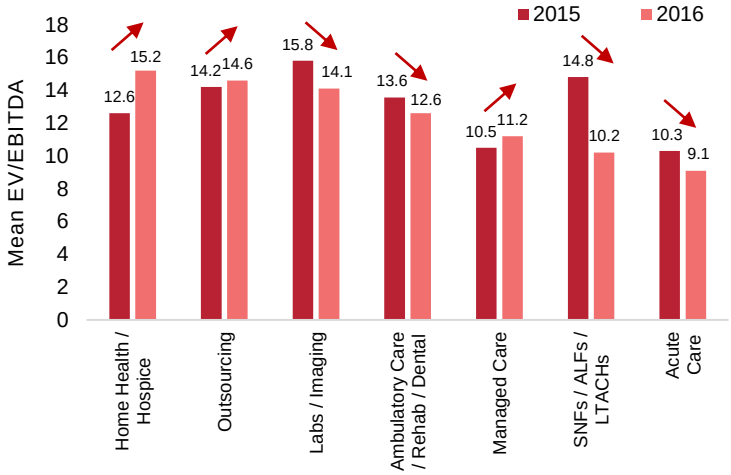
The Home Health/Hospice sub-sector had the highest mean EV/EBITDA multiple in 2016 (15.2x), as well as the largest increase in multiple value versus 2015 (2.5x[1]).

The SNFs / ALFs / LTACHs sub-sector[2] experienced the largest decrease, declining by 4.6x to 10.2x.

Only one IPO in 2016

According to our analysis of Dealogic data, IPO volumes in Health Services remain low, with only two IPOs reported in the last two years, down from the six witnessed in 2014 alone[3]. These two IPOs were: Surgery Partners Inc, priced at $271.4 million in Q3 2015, and American Renal Associates Holdings Inc priced at $165.0 million in Q2 2016.

Trading multiples



[2]Skilled Nursing Facilities, Assisted Living Facilities, Long-Term Acute Care Hospitals.
[3]This IPO count is one higher than previously reported due a classification change.

[1]Differs from chart's depicted increase of 2.6x due to rounding.
Source: *S&P Capital IQ*

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About the data

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IPOs: IPO information was sourced from Dealogic Equity Capital Markets Analytics, for the following sectors: Healthcare-Practice Management, Hospitals/Clinics, Healthcare-Miscellaneous Services, Outpatient Care/Home Care, Insurance-Multi-line.

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