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# CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of	Amount to be	Proposed Maximum Offering Price	Proposed Aggregate Maximum	Amount of
Securities to be Registered	Registered	Per Unit	Offering Price	Registration Fee(1)
5.75% Senior Notes due 2024	\$400,000,000	102.000%	\$408,000,000	\$47,409.60
Guarantees related to the Senior Notes (2)				

- (1) Calculated in accordance with Rule 457(r) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- (2) Pursuant to Rule 457(n) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, no separate fee is payable with respect to the guarantees.

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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

(To Prospectus Dated September 6, 2012)

\$400,000,000

# 5.75% Senior Notes due 2024

We are offering \$400 million aggregate principal amount of our existing series of 5.75% senior notes due 2024 (the new notes ). The new notes will be issued under the indenture pursuant to which, on September 11, 2012, we issued \$275 million aggregate principal amount of our 5.75% senior notes due 2024 and on September 18, 2014 we issued an additional \$175 million aggregate principal amount of our 5.75% senior notes due 2024 (collectively, the existing notes and, together with the new notes, the notes ). The new notes will have the same terms (other than issue date and public offering price) as the existing notes and will rank *pari passu* with, and vote together with, the holders of the existing notes on any matter submitted to the holders of such series. The new notes will have the same CUSIP number and ISIN as the existing notes and will be fungible with the existing notes for trading purposes. We will pay interest on the notes semiannually in arrears on May 1 and November 1 of each year, beginning on May 1, 2015. The notes will mature on November 1, 2024.

At any time on or after November 1, 2017, we may redeem some or all of the notes at specified redemption prices. The redemption prices are discussed under the caption Description of Notes Optional Redemption. At any time prior to November 1, 2017, we may at our option redeem all or a portion of the notes, at a redemption price equal to 100% of their principal amount plus a make-whole premium, plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon, if any, to the redemption date. Prior to November 1, 2015, we may redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the notes from the proceeds of certain equity offerings at a redemption price of 105.75%, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including, the redemption date. See Description of Notes Optional Redemption. If we experience specific kinds of changes in control, we must offer to purchase the notes at 101% of the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date.

The notes and the guarantees will be senior unsecured obligations of HealthSouth Corporation and our subsidiary guarantors that guarantee borrowings under our credit agreement and other capital markets debt. The notes will rank equal in right of payment to our current and future senior debt and will rank senior in right of payment to any future subordinated debt. The notes will be effectively subordinated to our current and future secured debt, including borrowings under our credit agreement, to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt. In addition, the notes and the guarantees will be structurally subordinated to any liabilities, including trade payables, of our nonguarantor subsidiaries.

Investing in the notes involves risks. See <u>Risk Factors</u> beginning on page S-10.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus supplement or the related prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

	Per Note	Total
Public Offering Price <sup>1</sup>	102.000%	\$ 408,000,000
Underwriting Discount	1.800%	\$ 7,200,000
Proceeds to HealthSouth Corporation <sup>2</sup>	100.200%	\$ 400,800,000

<sup>(1)</sup> Plus accrued interest from and including November 1, 2014 to, but excluding, the date of delivery.

The notes will not be listed on any securities exchange. We expect that delivery of the notes will be made to investors in book-entry form through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company on or about January 29, 2015.

## Joint Book-Running Managers

BofA Merrill Lynch Goldman, Sachs & Co. Regions Securities LLC Barclays

Citigroup

J.P. Morgan

Morgan Stanley RBC Capital Markets

**SunTrust Robinson Humphrey** 

**Wells Fargo Securities** 

January 20, 2015

<sup>(2)</sup> The proceeds to HealthSouth Corporation set forth above do not take into account offering expenses.

In making your investment decision, you should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any free writing prospectus filed by us with the SEC. We have not, and the underwriters have not, authorized anyone else to provide you with different or additional information. If anyone provides you with any other information, you should not rely on it. We are not, and the underwriters are not, making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer and sale is not permitted. You should not assume that the information in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus, any free writing prospectus or any document incorporated by reference is accurate as of any date other than their respective dates. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects and those of Encompass (as defined herein) may have changed since those dates.

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# ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

Unless otherwise stated or the context otherwise requires, the terms HealthSouth, we, us, our, and the Company to HealthSouth Corporation and its subsidiaries. Unless otherwise stated or the context otherwise requires, the term EHHI refers to EHHI Holdings, Inc. and Encompass refers to the Encompass home health and hospice business owned by EHHI.

We provide information to you about this offering in two separate documents. The accompanying prospectus provides general information about us and the securities we may offer from time to time. This prospectus supplement describes the specific details regarding this offering. Additional information is incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement. If information in this prospectus supplement is inconsistent with the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on this prospectus supplement.

It is important for you to read and consider all information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus in making your investment decision.

No person is authorized to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus and, if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus do not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities other than the securities described in this prospectus supplement or an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy such securities in any circumstances in which such offer or solicitation is unlawful. Neither the delivery of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, nor any sale made hereunder, shall under any circumstances create any implication that there has been no change in our affairs since the date of this prospectus supplement, or that the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus is correct as of any time subsequent to the date of such information.

The distribution of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and the offering of the notes in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus do not constitute an offer, or an invitation on our behalf or on behalf of the underwriters or any one of them, to subscribe to or purchase any of the notes, and may not be used for or in connection with an offer or solicitation by anyone, in any jurisdiction in which such an offer or solicitation is not authorized or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such an offer or solicitation. See Underwriting (Conflicts of Interest).

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# FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

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This prospectus supplement contains historical information, as well as forward-looking statements that involve known and unknown risks and relate to, among other things, future events, the Acquisition (as defined below), changes to Medicare reimbursement and other healthcare regulations from time to time, regulatory investigations, our business strategy, our dividend and stock repurchase strategies, our financial plans, our growth plans, our future financial performance, our projected business results, or our projected capital expenditures. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as may, will. could, should. anticipate, potential, or continue or the negative of these terms or other comparable term estimate, predict, project, target, Such forward-looking statements are necessarily estimates based upon current information and involve a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond our control. Any forward-looking statement is based on information current as of the date of this prospectus supplement and speaks only as of the date on which such statement is made. Actual events or results may differ materially from the results anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of a variety of factors. While it is impossible to identify all such factors, factors that could cause actual results to differ materially for those estimated by us include, but are not limited to, any adverse outcome of various lawsuits, claims, and legal or regulatory proceedings that have been or may be brought by or against HealthSouth, including its pending United States Department of Justice (the DOJ ) and HHS Office of Inspector General (the HHS-OIG) investigations, as well as those related to yet undiscovered issues, if any, at EHHI; adverse effects on the prices of any of HealthSouth s securities resulting from the integration of EHHI; the ability to successfully integrate EHHI consistent with HealthSouth s growth strategy, including realization of anticipated revenues, cost savings, and productivity improvements arising from the related operations and avoidance of unforeseen exposure to liabilities; changes in HealthSouth s or EHHI s management team; changes in the regulation of the healthcare industry broadly or the inpatient rehabilitation, the home health and hospice areas specifically at either or both of the federal and state levels; competitive pressures in the healthcare industry broadly or the inpatient rehabilitation, home health and hospice areas specifically and HealthSouth s response thereto; the ability to maintain proper local, state and federal licensing where EHHI does business; HealthSouth s ability to successfully integrate EHHI and to successfully complete future acquisitions, investments, and joint ventures consistent with its growth strategy and realize the expected benefits; potential disruptions, breaches, or other incidents affecting the proper operation, availability, or security of HealthSouth s information systems, including the unauthorized access to or theft of patient or other sensitive information, as well as unforeseen issues, if any, related to integration of EHHI s systems; the ability to attract and retain nurses, therapists, and other healthcare professionals in a highly competitive environment with often severe staffing shortages and the impact on HealthSouth s labor expenses from potential union activity and staffing shortages; changes, delays in (including in connection with resolution of Medicare payment reviews or appeals), or suspension of reimbursement for services by governmental or private payors; general conditions in the economy and the capital markets; and those described under the heading Risk Factors, starting on page S-10 of this prospectus supplement.

The cautionary statements referred to in this section also should be considered in connection with any subsequent written or oral forward-looking statements that may be issued by us or persons acting on our behalf. We undertake no duty to update these forward-looking statements, even though our situation may change in the future. Furthermore, we cannot guarantee future results, events, levels of activity, performance, or achievements.

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## **SUMMARY**

The following summary is qualified in its entirety by the more detailed information included elsewhere or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement. Because this is a summary, it may not contain all the information that may be important to you. You should read this entire prospectus supplement together with the accompanying prospectus, as well as the information incorporated by reference herein, before making an investment decision.

# **Company Overview**

We are the nation s largest owner and operator of inpatient rehabilitation hospitals in terms of patients treated and discharged, revenues and number of hospitals. As of December 31, 2014, we operated 107 inpatient rehabilitation hospitals (including one hospital that operates as a joint venture which we account for using the equity method of accounting), 16 outpatient rehabilitation satellite clinics (operated by our hospitals) and 25 licensed, hospital-based home health agencies. In addition to HealthSouth hospitals, we manage three inpatient rehabilitation units through management contracts. As of December 31, 2014, our inpatient rehabilitation hospitals had 7,095 licensed beds (excluding the one hospital that has 41 licensed beds and operates as a joint venture which we account for using the equity method of accounting). While our national network of inpatient hospitals stretches across 29 states and Puerto Rico, our inpatient hospitals are concentrated in the eastern half of the United States and Texas. With the acquisition of Encompass discussed below, we operate in 33 states across the country and in Puerto Rico, and serve patients through our network of inpatient rehabilitation hospitals, outpatient rehabilitation satellite clinics, and home health and hospice agencies.

HealthSouth was incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware. Our principal executive offices are located at 3660 Grandview Parkway, Suite 200, Birmingham, Alabama 35243, and our telephone number is (205) 967-7116. Our Internet website address is www.healthsouth.com. Information on our website does not constitute part of this prospectus supplement and should not be relied upon in connection with making any investment decision with respect to the notes.

# **Recent Developments**

## **Encompass Acquisition**

On December 31, 2014, we completed the previously announced acquisition of EHHI Holdings, Inc. ( EHHI ) and its Encompass home health and hospice business ( Encompass ). In the acquisition (the Acquisition ), we acquired all of the issued and outstanding equity interests of EHHI, other than equity interests contributed to HealthSouth Home Health Holdings, Inc. ( Holdings ), a subsidiary of HealthSouth and now parent of EHHI, by certain sellers in exchange for shares of common stock of Holdings. Certain members of Encompass management who were also selling stockholders of EHHI, including April Anthony, the Chief Executive Officer of Encompass, contributed a portion of their shares of common stock of EHHI, valued at approximately \$64.5 million, in exchange for shares of common stock of Holdings. As a result of that contribution, they hold approximately 16.7% of the outstanding common stock of Holdings, while HealthSouth owns the remainder. In addition, Ms. Anthony and certain other executives of Encompass entered into amended and restated employment agreements, each agreement having an initial term of three years.

The total consideration delivered at closing of the acquisition of EHHI was approximately \$695.5 million in cash, which amount includes payment of the outstanding borrowings of EHHI, transaction expenses, and an escrow reserve and is subject to working capital and other post-closing adjustments. We funded the cash purchase price with a draw

of approximately \$325 million under our revolving credit facility and a draw of approximately \$375 million under our term loan facilities.

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Encompass is a leading provider of home health and hospice services operating in over 100 locations across 12 states. Encompass has approximately 4,900 employees making more than 2.1 million patient visits annually.

Encompass provides:

home health services a comprehensive range of Medicare-certified home nursing services to adult patients in need of care. These services include, among others, skilled nursing, physical, occupational and speech therapy, medical social work, and home health aide services. Encompass also provides specialized home care services in Texas and Kansas for pediatric patients with severe medical conditions. Encompass home health services have historically represented a substantial portion of its revenue.

hospice services primarily in-home services to terminally ill patients and their families to address the patients physical needs, including pain control and symptom management, and to provide emotional and spiritual support.

In terms of the industry, home health and hospice comprise a broad range of post-acute services. Home health services focus on the provision of home-based patient care, including skilled nursing care, physical, occupational and speech therapy, medical social work, and home health aide services. Home health service providers include facility-based agencies, such as hospitals, rehabilitation facilities and government agencies, home-based companies, visiting nurse associations and nurse registries. Hospice services provide home-based and facility-based physical and emotional support for terminally ill patients and their families, providing services that include medical care, pain management and emotional and spiritual support.

We believe Encompass will provide us with a high-quality, scalable asset that is capable of consolidating the highly fragmented home health industry. We also believe Encompass has demonstrated an ability to acquire under-performing operations and incorporate them into its existing platform. As part of HealthSouth, we believe Encompass will be able to consider more numerous and significant home health acquisition opportunities given our strong cash flows from operations and our access to capital. We further believe the Acquisition will further our long-term growth strategy of expanding into post-acute services that complement our core business of operating inpatient rehabilitation hospitals. In other words, we believe the Acquisition of Encompass will enhance our ability to provide a continuum of facility-based and home-based post-acute services to our patients and their families, which we believe will become increasingly important as coordinated care delivery models, such as accountable care organizations (ACOs) and bundled payment arrangements, become more prevalent. We intend to transition our existing hospital-based home health operations to the Encompass platform, subject to limitations, if any, in our existing joint ventures. The home health and hospice services will represent a separate operating segment for us going forward.

## Home Health and Hospice Services Generally

The home health and hospice services industry is highly competitive and fragmented. There are currently more than 12,000 home health agencies and more than 3,700 hospice agencies nationwide certified to participate in Medicare. Encompass is the fifth largest provider of Medicare-focused skilled home health services in the United States. Encompass primary competition comes from locally owned private home health companies or acute-care hospitals with adjunct home health services and typically varies from market to market. Providers of home health and hospice services include both not-for-profit and for-profit organizations. The primary competitive factors in any given market include the quality of care and service provided, the treatment outcomes achieved, and the relationship with the acute

care hospitals, physicians or other referral sources in the market. The ability to work as part of a coordinated

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care delivery model with other providers is likely to become as increasing important factor in competition. Competing companies may also offer varying home care services. Home health providers with scale, which include a number of other public companies, may have significant advantages, including professional management, efficient operations, sophisticated information systems, brand recognition, and large referral bases.

Encompass home health and hospice business has historically derived a substantial portion of revenue from Medicare. Encompass pediatric services are a part of its home health business but are reimbursed primarily through Medicaid.

Medicare pays home health benefits for patients discharged from a hospital or patients otherwise suffering from chronic conditions that require ongoing but intermittent skilled care. As a condition of participation under Medicare, patients must be homebound (meaning unable to leave their home without a considerable and taxing effort), require intermittent skilled nursing, physical therapy or speech therapy services, and receive treatment under a plan of care established and periodically reviewed by a physician. The law requires that, prior to certifying a patient s eligibility for the home health benefit, the certifying physician must document that he or she or a qualifying nurse practitioner has had a face-to-face encounter with the patient. Medicare pays home health providers under the home health prospective payment system ( HH-PPS ) for each 60-day period of care for each patient. Payments are adjusted based on each patient s condition and clinical treatment. This is referred to as the case-mix adjustment. In addition to the case-mix adjustment, payments for periods of care may be adjusted for other reasons, including unusually large (outlier) costs, low-utilization patients that require four or fewer visits, and geographic differences in wages. Payments are also made for non-routine medical supplies that are used in treatment. Home health providers receive either 50% or 60% of the estimated base payment for the full 60 days for each patient upon submission of the initial claim. The estimate is based on the patient s condition and treatment needs. The provider receives the remaining portion of the payment after the 60-day treatment period, subject to any applicable adjustment. If a patient remains eligible for care after that period, a new treatment period may begin. There are currently no limits to the number of home health treatment periods an eligible Medicare patient may receive.

On November 6, 2014, the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ( CMS ) published the calendar year 2015 HH-PPS final rule. CMS estimates that the final rule will cut Medicare payments to home health agencies by 0.30% in 2015. Specifically, while the rule provides for a market basket update of 2.1%, that update is more than offset by 2.4% rebasing adjustment or reduction (the second year of a four-year phase-in). Under the final rule, the national standardized 60-day episode payment for calendar year 2015 is \$2,961.38.

The final rule also addresses a number of policy proposals. Notably, CMS is simplifying the home health face-to-face encounter documentation requirements, including eliminating the narrative as part of the certification of eligibility and providing more flexibility in procedures for obtaining documentation supporting patient eligibility. CMS also discusses comments it received on a potential home health agency value-based purchasing model, under which CMS would test whether payment incentives would lead to higher quality of care for beneficiaries. CMS is considering testing such a model beginning in 2016. Additional details will be provided in future rulemaking.

Medicare pays hospice benefits for patients with life expectancies of six months or less, as documented by two physicians. Under Medicare rules, patients seeking hospice benefits must agree to forgo curative treatment for their terminal medical conditions. For each day that a patient elects hospice benefits, Medicare pays an adjusted daily rate based on patient location, and payments represent a prospective per diem amount tied to one of four different categories or levels of care: routine home care,

continuous home care, inpatient respite care, and general inpatient care. Medicare hospice reimbursements to each provider are also subject to two annual caps, one limiting total hospice payments based on the average annual payment per beneficiary and another limiting payments based on the number of days of inpatient care billed by the hospice provider. There are currently no limits to the number of hospice benefit periods an eligible Medicare patient may receive, and a patient may revoke the benefit at any time.

For additional discussion of matters and risks related to home health and hospice reimbursement, see *Risk Factors* beginning on page S-10.

Providers of home health and hospice services are subject to extensive federal, state and, in some cases, local regulations and standards. These regulations and standards govern, among other things, Medicare, Medicaid and other government-funded reimbursement programs and reporting requirements, certification and licensing standards, our relationships with physicians and other referral sources, how we use our properties, and the rate at which we can grow. Home health and hospice service providers are also subject to the broader federal and state regulations that prohibit fraud and abuse in the delivery of healthcare services. Operators of home health and hospice services are subject to periodic audits, examinations and investigations conducted by, or at the direction of, government investigative and oversight agencies. Violations of the applicable federal and state healthcare regulations can result in a provider s exclusion from participation in government reimbursement programs and in substantial civil and criminal penalties.

## Amendment to our Credit Agreement

On December 23, 2014, we entered into an additional tranche term loan amendment (the Amendment) to our existing third amended and restated credit agreement, dated August 10, 2012, as supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time (the Credit Agreement), with Barclays Bank PLC, as administrative agent and collateral agent (the Agent), Citigroup Global Markets Inc., as syndication agent, Bank of America, N.A. (BofA), Goldman Sachs Lending Partners LLC, and Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., as co-documentation agents, and various other lenders from time to time. The lenders entering into the Amendment pursuant to the accordion feature in the Credit Agreement were the Agent, Citibank, N.A., BofA, Goldman Sachs Bank USA, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Morgan Stanley Bank, N.A., SunTrust Bank, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, Royal Bank of Canada, Regions Bank, IBERIABANK, and Cadence Bank, NA.

The Amendment established a new \$300 million tranche of term loan facility with substantially the same terms as our existing \$150 million term loan facility. We drew the entire amount of this additional term loan capacity to fund a portion of the cash purchase price in the Acquisition.

# Preliminary Estimates for the Year Ended December 31, 2014

Based on management s preliminary analysis of our financial results for the year ended December 31, 2014, we expect to report net operating revenue of approximately \$2.4 billion. In addition, due to higher than anticipated accounts receivable as of December 31, 2014, we expect to report adjusted free cash flow (which we define as net cash provided by operating activities of continuing operations minus capital expenditures for maintenance, dividends paid on preferred stock, distributions to noncontrolling interests and nonrecurring items) for the year ended December 31, 2014 slightly lower than our adjusted free cash flow for the year ended December 31, 2013.

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These preliminary financial results are subject to the completion of our financial closing procedures. Those procedures have not been completed. Accordingly, these results may change and those changes may be material. The preliminary financial data included in this prospectus supplement has been prepared by and is the responsibility of HealthSouth s management. PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP has not audited, reviewed, compiled or performed any procedures with respect to the accompanying preliminary financial data. Accordingly, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP does not express an opinion or any other form of assurance with respect thereto.

# THE OFFERING

The following summary contains basic information about the notes and is not intended to be complete. It may not contain all the information that may be important to you. For a more complete description of the notes, see Description of Notes. In this summary of the offering, the words we, us, and our refer only to HealthSouth Corporation and not to any of its subsidiaries.

Issuer HealthSouth Corporation.

Notes Offered \$400 million aggregate principal amount of 5.75% senior notes due 2024.

The new notes offered hereby are an additional issuance under the existing indenture under which we issued the existing notes. The new notes will have the same terms (other than issue date and public offering price) as the existing notes and will rank *pari passu* with the existing notes. Holders of the new notes will vote together with the holders of the existing notes on any matter submitted to the holders of such notes. The new notes will have the same CUSIP number and ISIN as the existing notes and will be fungible with the existing notes for trading purposes.

Maturity November 1, 2024.

Interest Payment Dates May 1 and November 1 of each year, beginning on May 1, 2015.

Guarantees The notes will be jointly and severally guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by all of our existing and future subsidiaries that guarantee

borrowings under our credit agreement and other capital markets debt. However, certain of our subsidiaries will not guarantee the notes. For the nine months ended September 30, 2014, the nonguarantor subsidiaries represented in the aggregate approximately 31.3% of our consolidated net operating revenues and approximately 22.6% of our Adjusted EBITDA. As of September 30, 2014, the nonguarantor subsidiaries held approximately 22.9% of our consolidated property and equipment, net. As of September 30, 2014, our nonguarantor subsidiaries had approximately \$207.0 million of outstanding indebtedness and other obligations (excluding intercompany liabilities). These figures do not give effect to the Acquisition, and none of Holdings, EHHI or any of their respective subsidiaries are guarantors of the notes. For a discussion of the risks relating to the guarantees, see Risk Factors Risks Related to the Notes Not all of our subsidiaries will be guarantors under the

indenture governing the notes. The notes are structurally subordinated to the indebtedness and other liabilities of our nonguarantor subsidiaries.

Ranking

The notes and the guarantees will be senior unsecured obligations of HealthSouth Corporation and our guarantor

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subsidiaries. The notes will rank equal in right of payment to our current and future senior debt and senior in right of payment to any subordinated debt, including our 2.00% Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes due 2043. The notes will be effectively subordinated to our current and future secured debt, including borrowings under our credit agreement, to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt. As of September 30, 2014, as adjusted to reflect this offering and the application of the net proceeds as described under Use of Proceeds, the Acquisition (including the incurrence of additional debt under our revolving credit and term loan facilities to fund part of the Acquisition) and the senior note redemptions that occurred in the fourth quarter of 2014, we would have had approximately \$459 million of senior secured indebtedness outstanding (including capital lease obligations) with approximately \$393 million of available borrowing capacity under the revolving portion of our credit agreement. See Description of Notes Ranking. In addition, the notes and the guarantees will be structurally subordinated to any liabilities, including trade payables, of our nonguarantor subsidiaries. Holdings, EHHI and their respective subsidiaries are not guarantors of the notes.

**Optional Redemption of Notes** 

At any time on or after November 1, 2017, we may redeem some or all of the notes at the redemption prices specified in this prospectus supplement under Description of Notes Optional Redemption.

Prior to November 1, 2017, we may also redeem some or all of the notes at a redemption price equal to 100% of the aggregate principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but not including, the redemption date plus a make-whole premium.

At any time prior to November 1, 2015, we may redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the notes in an amount not to exceed the amount of proceeds of one or more equity offerings, at a price equal to 105.75% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but not including, the redemption date, *provided* that at least 65% of the original aggregate principal amount of the notes issued remains outstanding after the redemption.

Change of Control

Upon the occurrence of a change of control, as defined in the indenture, each holder of the notes will have the right to require us to repurchase such holder s notes at a purchase price in cash equal to 101% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase. See Description of Notes Change of Control.

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The indenture governing the notes contains covenants that, among other things, limit our ability and the ability of certain of our subsidiaries to:

incur or guarantee indebtedness;

pay dividends on, or redeem or repurchase, our capital stock; or repay, redeem or repurchase our subordinated obligations;

issue or sell certain types of preferred stock;

make investments;

incur obligations that restrict the ability of our subsidiaries to make dividends or other payments to us;

sell assets;

engage in transactions with affiliates;

create certain liens;

enter into sale/leaseback transactions; and

merge, consolidate, or transfer all or substantially all of our assets.

Listing The notes will not be listed on any securities exchange.

> We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering, together with cash on hand, to repay \$250 million of borrowings under the \$300 million tranche of our term loan facility and, with respect to remaining proceeds,

borrowings under our revolving credit facility.

Because the underwriters or their affiliates are lenders under our senior secured credit loan facility and will be paid the net proceeds, this offering is being conducted in accordance with the applicable requirements of

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Use of Proceeds

Conflicts of Interest

Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (FINRA) Rule 5121, which requires that a qualified independent underwriter (QIU) participate in the preparation of this prospectus supplement and perform its usual standard of due diligence with respect thereto. Because of these relationships, each of the underwriters other than Regions Securities LLC is deemed to have a conflict of interest under FINRA Rule 5121. As a result of this conflict of interest and in accordance with Rule 5121, Regions Securities LLC is assuming the responsibilities of acting as the QIU in connection with this offering. We have agreed to indemnify Regions Securities LLC against certain liabilities incurred in connection with it acting as a qualified independent underwriter for this offering, including liabilities under the Securities Act. See Underwriting (Conflicts of Interest).

Risk Factors

You should carefully consider all information set forth or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and, in particular, you should carefully

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read the section entitled Risk Factors beginning on page S-10 of this

prospectus supplement before purchasing any of the notes.

Trustee Wells Fargo Bank, National Association.

Governing Law The notes will be governed by the laws of the State of New York.

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# **RISK FACTORS**

Investing in the notes involves risks. In addition to the risk factors set forth below, you should carefully consider the risks described under the caption Risk Factors in Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 and described under the caption Risk Factors in the accompanying prospectus (which are incorporated by reference herein), as well as the other information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Before making a decision to invest in our notes, you should carefully consider these risks as well as other information related to the risk factors contained in other sections of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 and our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2014, June 30, 2014, and September 30, 2014, which are incorporated by reference herein. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently consider immaterial could also have a material adverse effect on our business operations.

## Risks Related to the Notes

Our leverage or level of indebtedness may impair our financial condition, may prevent us from fulfilling our obligations under the indenture governing the notes and our other debt instruments, and may have other negative consequences for our business.

As of September 30, 2014, we had approximately \$1.6 billion of long-term debt outstanding (including that portion of long-term debt classified as current and excluding \$84.3 million in capital leases). As of September 30, 2014, as adjusted to reflect this offering and the application of the net proceeds as described under Use of Proceeds, the Acquisition (including the incurrence of additional debt under our revolving credit and term loan facilities to fund the Acquisition) and the senior note redemptions that occurred in the fourth quarter of 2014, that long-term debt outstanding would have been approximately \$2.0 billion.

Our substantial indebtedness could have important consequences to you, including:

making it more difficult for us to satisfy our obligations with respect to the notes;

limiting our ability to borrow additional amounts to fund working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions, debt service requirements, execution of our business strategy and other general corporate purposes;

requiring us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to pay principal and interest on our debt, which would reduce availability of our cash flow to fund working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions, execution of our business strategy and other general corporate purposes;

making us more vulnerable to adverse changes in general economic, industry and competitive conditions, in government regulation and in our business by limiting our flexibility in planning for, and making it more difficult for us to react quickly to, changing conditions;

placing us at a competitive disadvantage compared with our competitors that have less debt; and

exposing us to risks inherent in interest rate fluctuations because some of our borrowings will be at variable rates of interest, which could result in higher interest expense in the event of increases in interest rates.

We may not be able to generate sufficient cash to service all of our indebtedness, including the notes, and may be forced to take other actions to satisfy our obligations under our indebtedness which may not be successful.

We are required to use a substantial portion of our cash flow to service our debt. Although we expect to make scheduled interest payments and principal reductions, we cannot assure you that changes in our

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business or other factors will not occur that may have the effect of preventing us from satisfying obligations under the indenture governing the notes and our other debt instruments. If we are unable to generate sufficient cash flow from operations in the future to service our debt and meet our other needs, we may have to refinance all or a portion of our debt, obtain additional financing or reduce expenditures or sell assets that we deem necessary to our business. We cannot assure you that any of these measures would be possible or that any additional financing could be obtained. A return to tight credit markets will make additional financing more expensive and difficult to obtain. The inability to obtain additional financing could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and on our ability to meet our obligations to you under the notes.

Despite current indebtedness levels, we may still be able to incur more debt. This could further exacerbate the risks associated with our substantial indebtedness.

Subject to specified limitations, the indenture governing the notes, the indentures governing our existing senior notes and senior subordinated notes and our credit agreement permit us and our subsidiaries to incur material additional debt, including secured debt. If new debt is added to our or any of our subsidiaries current debt levels, the risks described in the immediately preceding risk factor could intensify. See Description of Notes Certain Covenants Limitation on Indebtedness for additional information.

The restrictive covenants in our credit agreement, the indenture governing the notes, and the indentures governing our existing senior notes could affect our ability to execute aspects of our business plan successfully.

The indenture governing the notes, the indentures governing our existing senior notes and the terms of our credit agreement do, and our future debt instruments may, contain various provisions that limit our ability and the ability of certain of our subsidiaries to, among other things:

incur or guarantee indebtedness;
pay dividends on, or redeem or repurchase, our capital stock or repay, redeem or repurchase our subordinated obligations;
issue or sell certain types of preferred stock;
make investments;
incur obligations that restrict the ability of our subsidiaries to make dividends or other payments to us;
sell assets;
engage in transactions with affiliates;

create certain liens;

enter into sale/leaseback transactions; and

merge, consolidate, or transfer all or substantially all of our assets.

These covenants could adversely affect our ability to finance our future operations or capital needs and pursue available business opportunities.

In addition, our credit agreement requires us to maintain specified financial ratios and satisfy certain financial condition tests. Although we were in compliance with the financial ratios and financial condition tests set forth in our credit agreement as of September 30, 2014, we cannot provide assurance we will continue to do so. The performance of any entities we acquire, including EHHI, may affect our ability to

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meet those financial ratios and financial condition tests. Furthermore, events beyond our control, including changes in general economic and business conditions, may affect our ability to meet those financial ratios and financial condition tests. If there is a severe downturn in our earnings and we have outstanding borrowings under our credit agreement at the time, a rapid increase in interest rates could impair our ability to comply with those financial ratios and financial condition tests and we may need to obtain waivers or other relief from the required proportion of the lenders to avoid being in default. If we try to obtain a waiver or other relief from the required lenders, we may not be able to obtain it or such relief might have a material cost to us or be on terms less favorable than those under our existing debt. If a default occurs, the lenders could exercise their rights, including declaring all the funds borrowed (together with accrued and unpaid interest) to be immediately due and payable, terminating their commitments or instituting foreclosure proceedings against our assets securing the funds borrowed, which, in turn, could cause the default and acceleration of the maturity of our other indebtedness. A breach of any other restrictive covenants contained in our credit agreement, the indentures governing our existing senior notes or the indenture governing the notes would also (after giving effect to applicable grace periods, if any) result in an event of default with the same outcome.

The notes and the guarantees will not be secured by any of our assets. Our credit agreement is secured and our senior secured lenders have a prior claim on substantially all of our assets. The notes and guarantees are effectively subordinated to secured debt to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt.

The notes and the guarantees will not be secured by any of our assets. However, our credit agreement is secured by substantially all of our assets, including the stock of substantially all of our domestic wholly owned subsidiaries (including future subsidiaries, if any). If we become insolvent or are liquidated, or if payment under any of the instruments governing our secured debt is accelerated, the lenders under those instruments will be entitled to exercise the remedies available to a secured lender under applicable law and pursuant to the documents governing such debt. Accordingly, the lenders under our credit agreement have a prior claim on our assets securing the debt owed to them. In that event, because the notes and the guarantees will not be secured by any of our assets, it is possible that our remaining assets might be insufficient to satisfy your claims in full. See Note 8, *Long-term Debt*, to the consolidated financial statements contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 and Note 4, *Long-term Debt*, to the condensed consolidated financial statements contained in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2014 (which are incorporated by reference herein) and Description of Notes Certain Covenants in this prospectus supplement for additional information.

As of September 30, 2014, we had no senior secured indebtedness (excluding \$84.3 million of capital lease obligations) and approximately \$568 million of available borrowing capacity under the revolving portion of our credit agreement. As of September 30, 2014, as adjusted to reflect this offering and the application of the net proceeds as described under Use of Proceeds, the Acquisition (including the incurrence of additional debt under our revolving credit and term loan facilities to fund the Acquisition) and the senior note redemptions that occurred in the fourth quarter of 2014, we would have had approximately \$375 million of senior secured indebtedness outstanding (excluding capital lease obligations) with approximately \$393 million of available borrowing capacity under the revolving portion of our credit agreement. We will be permitted to borrow substantial additional secured indebtedness in the future under the terms of the indenture. See Description of Notes Certain Covenants Limitation on Indebtedness, and Description of Notes Certain Covenants Limitation on Liens.

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Not all of our subsidiaries will be guarantors under the indenture governing the notes. The notes are structurally subordinated to the indebtedness and other liabilities of our nonguarantor subsidiaries.

Not all of our subsidiaries will guarantee the notes. The notes will be guaranteed by all of our current and future subsidiaries that guarantee borrowings under our credit agreement and other capital markets debt. Certain of our 100% owned subsidiaries and all of our non-wholly owned subsidiaries, through which we conduct a significant portion of our business, will not guarantee the notes due to, among other things, restrictions in their constituent documents or other agreements. These nonguarantor subsidiaries do not guarantee borrowings under our credit agreement. In addition, Holdings, EHHI and their respective subsidiaries are not guarantors of the notes or our credit agreement. The notes are structurally subordinated to the outstanding indebtedness and other liabilities, including trade payables, of our nonguarantor subsidiaries. Assuming we had completed this offering on September 30, 2014, these notes would have been structurally subordinated to approximately \$207 million of indebtedness and other liabilities, including trade payables (excluding intercompany liabilities) of our nonguarantor subsidiaries.

The nonguarantor subsidiaries generated approximately 31.2% of our consolidated net operating revenues and approximately 24.1% of our Adjusted EBITDA for the year ended December 31, 2013. For the nine months ended September 30, 2014, the nonguarantor subsidiaries represented in the aggregate approximately 31.3% of our consolidated net operating revenues and approximately 22.6% of our Adjusted EBITDA. As of September 30, 2014, the nonguarantor subsidiaries held approximately 22.9% of our consolidated property and equipment, net. These figures do not give effect to the Acquisition, and none of Holdings, EHHI or any of their respective subsidiaries are guarantors of the notes. In the event of a bankruptcy, liquidation or reorganization of any of our nonguarantor subsidiaries, holders of their indebtedness and their trade creditors will generally be entitled to payment of their claims from the assets of those subsidiaries before any assets are made available for distribution to us.

The lenders under our credit agreement have the discretion to release the guarantors under the credit agreement under certain circumstances, which will cause those guarantors to be released from their guarantees of the notes if they are not guaranteeing any other capital markets debt.

The lenders under our credit agreement have the discretion to release the guarantees under the credit agreement under certain circumstances. While any obligations under the credit agreement remain outstanding, any guarantee of the notes may be released without action by, or consent of, any holder of the notes or the trustee under the indenture governing the notes, if the related guarantor is no longer a guarantor of obligations under the credit agreement and is not then a guarantor or obligor of any capital markets indebtedness in addition to the notes offered hereby. See

Description of Notes Guarantees. Holders of the notes will not have a claim as a creditor against any subsidiary that is no longer a guarantor of the notes, and the indebtedness and other liabilities, including trade payables, of those subsidiaries will be structurally senior to claims of any holder of the notes.

We may not have the funds to purchase the notes and the existing senior notes and senior subordinated notes upon a change of control offer as required by the indenture governing the notes and the indentures governing our existing senior notes.

Upon a change of control, as defined in the indenture governing the notes, subject to certain conditions, we are required to offer to repurchase all outstanding notes at 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including, the date of repurchase. The indentures governing our existing senior notes also require us to offer to repurchase all of our outstanding existing senior notes at 101% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including, the date of repurchase, in the event of a change of control. The source of funds for that purchase of notes and existing senior notes will be our available cash, cash generated from our

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operations or the operations of our subsidiaries or other potential sources, including borrowings, sales of assets or sales of equity. We cannot assure you that sufficient funds from such sources will be available at the time of any change of control to make required repurchases of notes and existing senior notes tendered. In addition, the terms of our credit agreement limit our ability to repurchase your notes and the existing senior notes, and provide that certain change of control events constitute an event of default thereunder. Our future debt agreements may contain similar restrictions and provisions. If the holders of the notes or the existing senior notes exercise their right to require us to repurchase all the notes or existing senior notes upon a change of control, the financial effect of this repurchase could cause a default under our other debt, even if the change of control itself would not cause a default. Accordingly, it is possible that we will not have sufficient funds at the time of the change of control to make the required repurchase of the notes, our existing senior notes and our other debt, or that restrictions in our credit agreement and the indenture governing the notes and the indentures governing our existing senior notes will not allow such repurchases. In addition, certain corporate events, such as leveraged recapitalizations that would increase the level of our indebtedness, would not constitute a change of control under the indentures. See Description of Notes Change of Control in this prospectus supplement for additional information.

If an actual trading market for the notes does not continue to exist, you may not be able to sell the notes quickly, for the price that you paid or at all.

We do not intend to apply for listing of the notes on any securities exchange. If a market for the notes does not continue to exist, you may not be able to resell your notes for an extended period of time, if at all. Consequently, your lenders may be reluctant to accept the notes as collateral for loans. Moreover, if markets for the notes do continue to exist in the future, we cannot assure you that these markets will continue indefinitely or that the notes can be sold at a price equal to or greater than their initial offering price. Historically, the market for non-investment grade debt has been subject to disruptions that have caused substantial volatility in the prices of securities similar to the notes. The market for the notes, if any, may be subject to similar disruptions. Any such disruptions may materially adversely affect you as a holder of the notes. In addition, in response to prevailing interest rates and market conditions generally, as well as our performance, the notes could trade at a price lower than their initial offering price.

Federal and state statutes could allow courts, under specific circumstances, to void the subsidiary guarantees and require note holders to return payments received from subsidiary guarantors.

Under U.S. bankruptcy law and comparable provisions of state fraudulent transfer laws, a court could void a subsidiary guarantee or claims related to a guarantor or void any payment by a subsidiary guarantor pursuant to the notes or a subsidiary guarantee and require that payment to be returned to such subsidiary guarantor or to a fund for the benefit of the creditors of the subsidiary guarantor if, among other things, the subsidiary guarantor, at the time it incurred the indebtedness evidenced by its subsidiary guarantee:

intended to hinder, delay or defraud any present or future creditor or

received less than reasonably equivalent value or fair consideration for the incurrence of such indebtedness at a time when it:

was insolvent or rendered insolvent by reason of such incurrence;

was engaged in a business or transaction for which the subsidiary guarantor s remaining assets constituted unreasonably small capital; or

intended to incur, or believed that it would incur, debts beyond the subsidiary guarantor s ability to pay such debts as they mature.

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The measures of insolvency for purposes of fraudulent transfer laws will vary depending upon the governing law in any proceeding to determine whether a fraudulent transfer has occurred. Generally, however, a subsidiary guarantor would be considered insolvent if:

the sum of its debts, including contingent liabilities, was greater than the fair saleable value of all of its assets;

the present fair saleable value of its assets was less than the amount that would be required to pay its probable liability on its existing debts, including contingent liabilities, as they become absolute and mature; or

it could not pay its debts as they become due.

There can be no assurance, however, as to what standard a court would apply in making such determinations or that a court would agree with our or any subsidiary guarantors conclusions in this regard.

The indenture governing the notes offered hereby will contain a savings clause intended to limit each subsidiary guarantor s liability under its guarantee to the maximum amount that will result in the obligations of such subsidiary guarantor under its guarantee of the notes not constituting a fraudulent conveyance or fraudulent transfer under applicable law. However, as was demonstrated in a bankruptcy case originating in the State of Florida which was affirmed by the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals on other grounds, this provision may not be effective to protect the subsidiary guarantees from being voided under fraudulent conveyance or fraudulent transfer laws. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that this provision will be upheld as intended.

If a guarantee is deemed to be a fraudulent transfer, it could be voided altogether, or it could be subordinated to all other debts of the guarantor. In such case, any payment by the guarantor pursuant to its guarantee could be required to be returned to the guarantor or to a fund for the benefit of the creditors of the guarantor. If a guarantee is voided or held unenforceable for any other reason, holders of the notes offered hereby would cease to have a claim against the subsidiary guarantor based on the guarantee and would be creditors only of the Company and any guarantor whose guarantee was not similarly voided or otherwise held unenforceable.

Finally, as a court of equity, the bankruptcy court may subordinate the claims in respect of the notes to other claims against us under the principal of equitable subordination if the court determines that (1) the holder of notes engaged in some type of inequitable conduct, (2) the inequitable conduct resulted in injury to our other creditors or conferred an unfair advantage upon holders of notes and (3) equitable subordination is not inconsistent with the provisions of the bankruptcy code.

## **Risks Related to Our Business**

Reductions or changes in reimbursement from government or third-party payors and other legislative and regulatory changes affecting our industry could adversely affect our operating results.

We derive a substantial portion of our *Net operating revenues* from the Medicare program. Historically, Congress and some state legislatures have periodically proposed significant changes in regulations governing the healthcare system. Many of these changes have resulted in limitations on the increases in and, in some cases, significant roll-backs or

reductions in the levels of payments to healthcare providers for services under many government reimbursement programs. There can be no assurance that future governmental initiatives will not result in pricing roll-backs or freezes or reimbursement reductions.

In March 2010, President Obama signed into law the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (as subsequently amended, the 2010 Healthcare Reform Laws ). Many provisions within the 2010

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Healthcare Reform Laws have impacted or could in the future impact our business, including: (1) reducing annual market basket updates to providers, which include annual productivity adjustment reductions; (2) the possible combining, or bundling, of reimbursement for a Medicare beneficiary s episode of care at some point in the future; (3) implementing a voluntary program for ACOs; and (4) creating an Independent Payment Advisory Board.

Most notably for us, these laws include a reduction in annual market basket updates to hospitals. In accordance with Medicare laws and statutes, CMS makes annual adjustments to Medicare reimbursement rates by what is commonly known as a market basket update. The reductions in our annual market basket updates continue through 2019 for each CMS fiscal year, which for us begins October 1, as follows:

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0.2%	0.75%

In addition, the 2010 Healthcare Reform Laws require the market basket update to be reduced by a productivity adjustment on an annual basis. The productivity adjustments equal the trailing 10-year average of changes in annual economy-wide private nonfarm business multi-factor productivity. The productivity adjustment in effect for both fiscal years ended September 30, 2014 and 2015 is a decrease to the market basket update of 50 basis points.

The 2010 Healthcare Reform Laws also directed the HHS to examine the feasibility of bundling, including conducting a voluntary, multi-year bundling pilot program to test and evaluate alternative payment methodologies. On January 31, 2013, CMS announced the selection of participants in the initial phase of limited-scope, voluntary bundling pilot projects. There are four project types: acute care only, acute/post-acute, post-acute only, and acute and physician services. In the initial phase, pilot participants along with their provider partners exchange data with CMS on care patterns and engage in shared learning in how to improve care. The second phase requires participants in that phase, pending contract finalization and completion of the standard CMS program integrity reviews, to take on financial risk for episodes of care. The complete transition of all participants from the first phase to the second will be completed by January 2015. If participants have not transitioned from the first phase to the second phase by January 2015, all episodes that participants have not transitioned to Phase 2 will be withdrawn from the bundling pilot program. CMS selected as participants a small number of acute care hospitals with which we have relationships. To date, we have agreed to participate in a few bundling projects as a post-acute rehabilitation provider, some of which have not yet experienced much activity and none of which have transitioned to the risk sharing second phase. We will continue to evaluate on a case by case basis the appropriateness of bundling opportunities for our hospitals and patients.

Similarly, in October 2011, CMS established, per the 2010 Healthcare Reform Laws, the Medicare Shared Savings Program (MSSP), a voluntary ACO program in which hospitals, physicians, and other care providers develop entities to pursue the delivery of coordinated healthcare on a more efficient, patient-centered basis. Conceptually, ACOs will receive a portion of any savings generated above a certain threshold from care coordination as long as benchmarks for the quality of care are maintained. Under the MSSP, there are two different ACO tracks from which participants can choose. The first track allows ACOs to share only in savings. The second track requires ACOs to share in savings and losses but offers ACOs a greater share of any savings realized than the first track offers. The ACO rules adopted by CMS are extremely complex and remain subject to further refinement by CMS. As with bundling, we are currently evaluating on a case by case basis appropriate ACO participation opportunities for our hospitals and patients. We have expressed interest in participating in several ACOs and have executed one participation agreement as of December 31, 2014. Encompass is currently party to one newly-formed ACO and is exploring several other participation opportunities.

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The bundling and ACO initiatives have served as motivating factors for regulators and healthcare industry participants to identify and implement workable coordinated care delivery models. Broad-based implementation of a new delivery model would represent a significant transformation for us and the healthcare industry generally. The nature and timing of the transformation of the current healthcare system to coordinated care delivery and payment models is uncertain and will likely remain so for some time. The development of new delivery and payment systems will almost certainly take significant time and expense. Many of the alternative approaches being explored may not work or could change substantially prior to a nationwide implementation.

Another provision of the 2010 Healthcare Reform Laws establishes an Independent Payment Advisory Board appointed by the President that is charged with presenting proposals, beginning in 2014, to Congress to reduce Medicare expenditures upon the occurrence of Medicare expenditures exceeding a certain level. This board will have broad authority to develop new Medicare policies (including changes to provider reimbursement). In general, unless Congress acts to block the proposals of this board, CMS will implement the policy recommendations. However, due to the market basket reductions that are also part of these laws, certain healthcare providers, including us, will not be subject to payment reduction proposals developed by this board and presented to Congress until 2020. While we may not be subject to its payment reduction proposals for a period of time, based on the scope of this board s directive to reduce Medicare expenditures and the significance of Medicare as a payor to us, other decisions made by this board may adversely impact our results of operations. As of December 31, 2014, the Independent Payment Advisory Board members have not been appointed.

Many aspects of implementation and interpretation of the 2010 Healthcare Reform Laws remain uncertain. Given the complexity and the number of changes in these laws as well as subsequent regulatory developments and delays, we cannot predict the ultimate impact of these laws. However, we believe the provisions discussed above are the issues with the greatest potential impact on us.

The 2010 Healthcare Reform Laws include other provisions that could adversely affect us as well. They include the expansion of the federal Anti-Kickback Law and the False Claims Act that, when combined with other recent federal initiatives, are likely to increase investigation and enforcement efforts in the healthcare industry generally. Changes include increased resources for enforcement, lowered burden of proof for the government in healthcare fraud matters, expanded definition of claims under the False Claims Act, enhanced penalties, and increased rewards for relators in successful prosecutions. CMS may also suspend payment for claims prospectively if, in its opinion, credible allegations of fraud exist. The initial suspension period may be up to 180 days. However, the payment suspension period can be extended almost indefinitely if the matter is under investigation by the HHS-OIG or the DOJ. Any such suspension would adversely impact our financial position, results of operations, and cash flows.

Further, under the 2010 Healthcare Reform Laws, CMS established new quality data reporting, effective October 1, 2012, for all inpatient rehabilitation facilities ( IRFs ). A facility s failure to submit the required quality data will result in a two percentage point reduction to that facility s annual market basket increase factor for payments made for discharges in a subsequent fiscal year. IRFs began submitting quality data to CMS in October 2012. All of our hospitals met the reporting requirements for the period ending December 31, 2012 resulting in no corresponding reductions for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2014. There can be no assurance that all of our hospitals will do so for future periods which may result in one or more of our hospitals seeing a reduction in its reimbursements. Additionally, CMS requires reporting of two new quality measures, beginning January 1, 2015, and will conduct validation audits in fiscal year 2016 to ensure the completeness and accuracy of the quality data submitted.

Some states in which we operate have also undertaken, or are considering, healthcare reform initiatives that address similar issues. While many of the stated goals of other federal and state reform initiatives are consistent with our own goal to provide care that is high-quality and cost-effective,

legislation and regulatory proposals may lower reimbursements, increase the cost of compliance, decrease patient volumes, and otherwise adversely affect our business. We cannot predict what healthcare initiatives, if any, will be enacted, implemented or amended, or the effect any future legislation or regulation will have on us.

On August 2, 2011, President Obama signed into law the Budget Control Act of 2011, which provided for an automatic 2% reduction of Medicare program payments. This automatic reduction, known as sequestration, which began affecting payments received after April 1, 2013, reduced the payments we receive under the IRF prospective payment system (the IRF-PPS) resulting in a net year-over-year decrease in our *Net operating revenues* of approximately \$8 million in 2014. The effect of sequestration on year-over-year comparisons of *Net operating revenues* ceased on April 1, 2014.

Additionally, concerns held by federal policymakers about the federal deficit, national debt levels, and reforming the sustainable growth rate formula used to pay physicians who treat Medicare beneficiaries (the so called Doc Fix ) could result in enactment of further federal spending reductions, further entitlement reform legislation affecting the Medicare program, and/or further reductions to provider payments. For example, in October 2014, the President signed into law the Improving Medicare Post-Acute Care Transformation Act of 2014 (the IMPACT Act ). The IMPACT Act was developed on a bi-partisan basis by the House Ways and Means and Senate Finance Committees and incorporated feedback from healthcare providers and provider organizations that responded to the Committees solicitation of post-acute payment reform ideas and proposals. It directs HHS, in consultation with healthcare stakeholders, to implement standardized data collection processes for post-acute quality and outcome measures. Although the IMPACT Act does not specifically call for the development of a new post-acute payment system, we believe this act will lay the foundation for possible future post-acute payment policies that would be based on patients medical conditions and other clinical factors rather than the setting where the care is provided. It will create additional data reporting requirements for our hospitals and home health and hospice agencies, and we expect to fully comply with these requirements. The precise details of these new reporting requirements, including timing and content, will be developed and implemented by CMS through the regulatory process that we expect will take place over the next several years. While we cannot quantify the potential financial effects of the IMPACT Act on HealthSouth, we believe any post-acute payment system that is data-driven and focuses on the needs and underlying medical conditions of post-acute patients ultimately will be a net positive for providers who offer high-quality, cost-effective care. However, it will likely take years for the related quality measures to be established, quality data to be gathered, standardized patient assessment data to be assembled and disseminated, and potential payment policies to be developed, tested, and promulgated.

Each year, the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission (MedPAC), an independent agency that advises Congress on issues affecting Medicare, makes payment policy recommendations to Congress for a variety of Medicare payment systems including the inpatient rehabilitation facility prospective payment system (the IRF-PPS). Congress is not obligated to adopt MedPAC recommendations, and, based on outcomes in previous years, there can be no assurance Congress will adopt MedPAC s recommendations in a given year. For example, in recent years, Congress has not adopted any of the recommendations on the annual market basket update to Medicare payment rates under the IRF-PPS, which updates are discussed in greater detail below. We cannot predict what alternative or additional deficit reduction initiatives, Medicare payment reductions, or post-acute care reforms, if any, will ultimately be enacted into law, or the timing or effect any such initiatives or reductions will have on us. If enacted, such initiatives or reductions would likely be challenging for all providers, would likely have the effect of limiting Medicare beneficiaries access to healthcare services, and could have an adverse impact on our financial position, results of operations, and cash flows.

If we are not able to maintain increased case volumes or reduce operating costs to offset any future pricing roll-back, reduction, freeze, or increased costs associated with new regulatory compliance

obligations, our operating results could be adversely affected. Our results could be further adversely affected by other changes in laws or regulations governing the Medicare program, as well as possible changes to or expansion of the audit processes conducted by Medicare contractors or Medicare recovery audit contractors.

In addition, there are increasing pressures, including as a result of the 2010 Healthcare Reform Laws, from many third-party payors to control healthcare costs and to reduce or limit increases in reimbursement rates for medical services. Our relationships with managed care and nongovernmental third-party payors, such as health maintenance organizations and preferred provider organizations, are generally governed by negotiated agreements. These agreements set forth the amounts we are entitled to receive for our services. We could be adversely affected in some of the markets where we operate if we are unable to negotiate and maintain favorable agreements with third-party payors.

Our third-party payors may also, from time to time, request audits of the amounts paid, or to be paid, to us. We could be adversely affected in some of the markets where we operate if the auditing payor alleges that substantial overpayments were made to us due to coding errors or lack of documentation to support medical necessity determinations.

Compliance with the extensive laws and government regulations applicable to healthcare providers requires substantial time, effort and expense, and if we fail to comply with them, we could suffer penalties or be required to make significant changes to our operations.

Healthcare providers are required to comply with extensive and complex laws and regulations at the federal, state, and local government levels. These laws and regulations relate to, among other things:

licensure, certification, and accreditation;

policies, either at the national or local level, delineating what conditions must be met to qualify for reimbursement under Medicare (also referred to as coverage requirements);

coding and billing for services;

requirements of the 60% compliance threshold under the 2007 Medicare Act;

relationships with physicians and other referral sources, including physician self-referral and anti-kickback laws;

quality of medical care;

use and maintenance of medical supplies and equipment;

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maintenance and security of patient information and medical records;

acquisition and dispensing of pharmaceuticals and controlled substances; and

disposal of medical and hazardous waste.

In the future, changes in these laws or regulations or the manner in which they are enforced could subject our current or past practices to allegations of impropriety or illegality or could require us to make changes in our hospitals, equipment, personnel, services, capital expenditure programs, operating procedures, and contractual arrangements. Those changes could also affect reimbursements as well as future training and staffing costs. Of note, the HHS-OIG each year releases a work plan that identifies areas of compliance focus for the coming year.

Examples of regulatory changes that can affect our business, beyond direct changes to Medicare reimbursement rates, can be found from time to time in CMS rules. The final rule for the fiscal year 2010 IRF-PPS implemented new coverage requirements which provided in part that a patient medical record

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must document a reasonable expectation that, at the time of admission to an IRF, the patient generally required and was able to participate in the intensive rehabilitation therapy services uniquely provided at IRFs. CMS has also taken the position that a patient s medical file must appropriately document the rationale for the use of group therapies, as opposed to one-on-one therapy. As previously noted, the appropriate utilization of group therapy was a focus of recent HHS-OIG work plans. Beginning on October 1, 2015, a new data collection requirement will go into effect that will capture the minutes and mode (individual, group, concurrent, or co-treatment) of therapy by specialty. CMS plans to use this data to potentially support future rulemaking in this area. Additionally, the final rules for the fiscal years 2014 and 2015 IRF-PPS include changes, effective October 1, 2015, to the list of medical conditions, including a reduction in the number of conditions, that will presumptively count toward the 60% compliance threshold to qualify for reimbursement as an inpatient rehabilitation hospital.

The clarity and completeness of each patient medical file, some of which is the work product of a physician not employed by us, are essential to demonstrating our compliance with various regulatory and reimbursement requirements. For example, to support the determination that a patient s IRF treatment was reasonable and necessary, the file must contain, among other things, an admitting physician s assessment of the patient as well as a post-admission assessment by the treating physician and other information from clinicians relating to the plan of care and the therapies being provided. These physicians exercise their independent medical judgment. We and our hospital medical directors, who are independent contractors, provide training to the physicians we work with on a regular basis regarding appropriate documentation. In connection with subsequent payment audits and investigations, there can be no assurance as to what opinion a third party may take regarding the status of patient files or the physicians medical judgment evidenced in those files.

The 2012 and 2013 work plans for IRFs focused on timely submissions of patient assessment instruments, the examination of the level of therapy being provided, and the appropriate utilization of concurrent and group therapy. The 2014 work plan provides that the HHS-OIG will review matters related to adverse and temporary harm events occurring in IRFs, and conduct audits of home health claims to ensure documentation exists to support payments. In addition, the 2015 work plan indicates HHS-OIG will review the home health prospective payment system requirements.

On March 4, 2013, we received document subpoenas from an office of the HHS-OIG addressed to four of our hospitals. Those subpoenas requested complete copies of medical records for 100 patients treated at each of those hospitals between September 2008 and June 2012. The investigation is being conducted by the DOJ. On April 24, 2014, we received document subpoenas relating to an additional seven of our hospitals. The new subpoenas reference substantially similar investigation subject matter as the original subpoenas and request materials from the period January 2008 through December 2013. Two of the four hospitals addressed in the original set of subpoenas have received supplemental subpoenas to cover this new time period. The new subpoenas do not include requests for specific patient files, but it is expected that such requests will be made for the new group of hospitals.

All of the subpoenas are in connection with an investigation of alleged improper or fraudulent claims submitted to Medicare and Medicaid and requests documents and materials relating to practices, procedures, protocols and policies, of certain pre- and post-admissions activities at these hospitals including, among other things, marketing functions, pre-admission screening, post-admission physician evaluations, patient assessment instruments, individualized patient plans of care, and compliance with the Medicare 60% rule. Under the Medicare rule commonly referred to as the 60% rule, an inpatient rehabilitation hospital must treat 60% or more of its patients from at least one of a specified list of medical conditions in order to be reimbursed at the inpatient rehabilitation hospital payment rates, rather than at the lower acute care hospital payment rates. We are currently unable to predict the timing or outcome of these investigations, and the DOJ has expressly reserved its right to make additional requests.

Although we have invested, and will continue to invest, substantial time, effort, and expense in implementing and maintaining training programs as well as internal controls and procedures designed to ensure regulatory compliance, if we fail to comply with applicable laws and regulations, we could be required to return portions of reimbursements for discharges deemed after the fact to have not been appropriate under the IRF-PPS. We could also be subjected to other liabilities, including (1) criminal penalties, (2) civil penalties, including monetary penalties and the loss of our licenses to operate one or more of our hospitals, and (3) exclusion or suspension of one or more of our hospitals from participation in the Medicare, Medicaid, and other federal and state healthcare programs, which, if lengthy in duration and material to us, could potentially trigger a default under our credit agreement. Because Medicare comprises a significant portion of our *Net operating revenues*, it is important for us to remain compliant with the laws and regulations governing the Medicare program and related matters including anti-kickback and anti-fraud requirements. As discussed above in connection with the 2010 Healthcare Reform Laws, the federal government has in the last couple of years made compliance enforcement and fighting healthcare fraud top priorities. In the past few years, the DOJ and HHS as well as federal lawmakers have significantly increased efforts to ensure strict compliance with various reimbursement related regulations as well as combat healthcare fraud. The DOJ has pursued and recovered a record amount of taxpayer dollars lost to healthcare fraud. Additionally, the federal government has become increasingly aggressive in asserting that incidents of erroneous billing or record keeping represent a violation of the False Claims Act.

Reductions in reimbursements, substantial damages and other remedies assessed against us could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position, results of operations, and cash flows. Even the assertion of a violation, depending on its nature, could have a material adverse effect upon our stock price or reputation.

Reimbursement claims are subject to various audits from time to time and such audits may delay or reduce receipt of the related reimbursement amounts for services previously provided.

Reimbursement claims made by health care providers, including inpatient rehabilitation hospitals as well as home health and hospice agencies, are subject to audit from time to time by governmental payors and their agents, such as the Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs), fiscal intermediaries and carriers, as well as the OIG, CMS and state Medicaid programs. Depending on the nature of the conduct found in such audits and whether the underlying conduct could be considered systemic, the resolution of these audits could have a adverse effect on our financial position, results of operation and liquidity.

With respect to the Medicare program, from which we receive a substantial portion of our revenues, CMS has developed and instituted various audit programs under which CMS contracts with private companies to conduct claims and medical record audits. These audits are in addition to those conducted by existing MACs. Some contractors are paid a percentage of the overpayments recovered. One type of audit contractor, the Recovery Audit Contractors (RACs), receive claims data directly from MACs on a monthly or quarterly basis and are authorized to review claims up to three years from the date a claim was paid, beginning with claims filed on or after October 1, 2007.

RAC audits of IRFs initially focused on coding errors, but have subsequently been expanded to medical necessity reviews. In connection with CMS approved and announced RAC audits related to IRFs, we received requests to review certain patient files for discharges occurring from 2010 to 2014. These post-payment RAC audits are focused on medical necessity requirements for admission to IRFs rather than targeting a specific diagnosis code as in previous pre-payment audits. Medical necessity is a subjective assessment by an independent physician of a patient s ability to tolerate and benefit from intensive multi-disciplinary therapy provided in an IRF setting. Because we have confidence in the medical judgment of both the referring and the admitting physicians who assess the treatment needs of our patients, we currently intend to appeal substantially all RAC denials arising from these audits. While

we make provisions for these claims based on our historical experience and success rates in the claim adjudication process, we cannot provide assurance as to our future success in the resolution of these and future disputes, nor can we predict or estimate the scope or number of denials that ultimately may be reviewed.

The contracts awarded to RACs by CMS were set to expire in February 2014, but they have been extended and modified pending finalization of new contracts. In late February 2014, CMS announced it would pause the operations of the current RACs until new contracts are awarded, meaning that hospitals would not receive any new requests from RACs until that time. Legal challenges to the contract award process have delayed finalizing the new contracts longer than expected, and as a result, CMS modified the existing RAC contracts to allow some RAC reviews to be restarted on a limited basis. However, once the new contracts are in place, RACs will be able to audit claims for dates of service during the time period covered by the pause in RAC operations. We cannot predict when the legal challenges to the new contracts will be resolved or when CMS will otherwise finalize the new RAC contracts. While we make provisions for these claims based on our historical experience and success rates in the claim adjudication process, we cannot provide assurance as to our future success in the resolution of these and future disputes, nor can we predict or estimate the scope or number of denials that ultimately may be reviewed.

However, due to additional delays announced by CMS in the related adjudication process, which is the same process we follow for appealing denials of certain diagnosis codes by MACs, we believe the resolution of any claims that are subsequently denied as a result of these RAC audits could take in excess of two years.

On August 27, 2012, CMS launched its three-year demonstration project that expanded the RAC program to include prepayment review of Medicare fee-for-service claims. Currently, acute care hospitals are the primary subject to this review project, but CMS could expand it to inpatient post-acute providers. This demonstration project will identify specific diagnosis codes for review, and the RAC contractors will review the selected claims to determine if they are proper before payment has been made to the provider. The project covers 11 states, including certain states in which we operate. Providers with claims identified for RAC prepayment reviews will have 30 days to respond to requests for additional documentation. If they do not respond timely, the claim will be denied. Providers receive determinations within 45 days of submitting the relevant documentation.

CMS has also established contractors known as the Zone Program Integrity Contractors (ZPICs). These contractors are successors to the Program Safeguard Contractors and conduct audits with a focus on potential fraud and abuse issues. Like the RACs, the ZPICs conduct audits and have the ability to refer matters to the HHS-OIG or the United States Department of Justice. Unlike RACs, however, ZPICs do not receive a specific financial incentive based on the amount of the error.

Audits may lead to assertions that we have been underpaid or overpaid by Medicare or submitted improper claims in some instances, require us to incur additional costs to respond to requests for records and defend the validity of payments and claims, and ultimately require us to refund any amounts determined to have been overpaid or disallow reimbursement. As a result, we may suffer reduced profitability. Our right to appeal audit determinations may lead to cash flow delays. We cannot predict when or how these audit programs will affect us.

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# Our hospitals face national, regional, and local competition for patients from other healthcare providers.

We operate in a highly competitive industry. Although we are the nation s largest owner and operator of inpatient rehabilitation hospitals in terms of patients treated and discharged, revenues, and number of hospitals, in any particular market we may encounter competition from local or national entities with longer operating histories or other competitive advantages. For example, acute care hospitals, including those owned and operated by large public companies, may choose to expand or begin offering post-acute rehabilitation services. Given that approximately 93% of our referrals come from acute care hospitals, that increase in competition might materially and adversely affect our admission referrals in the related markets. There can be no assurance this competition, or other competition which we may encounter in the future, will not adversely affect our business, financial position, results of operations, or cash flows. In addition, from time to time, there are efforts in states with certificate of need (CON) laws to weaken those laws, which could potentially increase competition in those states. Conversely, competition and statutory procedural requirements in some CON states may inhibit our ability to expand our operations.

# We may have difficulty completing investments and transactions that increase our capacity consistent with our growth strategy.

We are selectively pursuing strategic acquisitions of, and joint ventures with, other healthcare providers. We may face limitations on our ability to identify sufficient acquisition or other development targets and to complete those transactions to meet goals. In many states, the need to obtain governmental approvals, such as a CON or an approval of a change in ownership, may operate as a significant obstacle to completing transactions. Additionally, in states with CON laws, it is not unusual for third-party providers to challenge initial awards of CONs or the increase in the number of approved beds in an existing CON, and the adjudication of those challenges and related appeals may take multiple years.

# We may make investments or complete transactions that may be unsuccessful and could expose us to unforeseen liabilities.

Investments, acquisitions, joint ventures or other development opportunities identified and completed may involve material cash expenditures, debt incurrence, operating losses, amortization of certain intangible assets of acquired companies, issuances of equity securities, and expenses, some of which are unforeseen, that could affect our business, financial position, results of operations and liquidity. Acquisitions, investments, and joint ventures involve numerous risks, including:

limitations, including state CONs as well as CMS and other regulatory approval requirements, on our ability to complete such acquisitions, particularly those involving not-for-profit providers, on terms, timetables, and valuations reasonable to us;

limitations in obtaining financing for acquisitions at a cost reasonable to us;

difficulties integrating acquired operations, personnel, and information systems, and in realizing projected revenues, efficiencies and cost savings, or returns on invested capital;

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entry into markets, businesses or services in which we may have little or no experience;

diversion of business resources or management s attention from ongoing business operations; and

exposure to undisclosed or unforeseen liabilities of acquired operations, including liabilities for failure to comply with healthcare laws and anti-trust considerations in specific markets.

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In addition to those development activities, we intend to build new, or de novo, inpatient rehabilitation hospitals. The construction of new hospitals involves numerous risks, including the receipt of all zoning and other regulatory approvals, such as a CON where necessary, construction delays and cost over-runs. Once built, new hospitals must undergo the state and Medicare certification process, the duration of which may be beyond our control. We may be unable to operate newly constructed hospitals as profitably as expected, and those hospitals may involve significant additional cash expenditures and operating expenses that could, in the aggregate, have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, results of operations, and cash flows.

Competition for staffing, shortages of qualified personnel, union activity or other factors may increase our labor costs and reduce profitability.

Our operations are dependent on the efforts, abilities, and experience of our medical personnel, such as physical therapists, occupational therapists, speech pathologists, nurses, and other healthcare professionals. We compete with other healthcare providers in recruiting and retaining qualified personnel responsible for the daily operations of each of our hospitals. In some markets, the lack of availability of medical personnel is a significant operating issue facing all healthcare providers. This shortage may require us to continue to enhance wages and benefits to recruit and retain qualified personnel or to contract for more expensive temporary personnel. We also depend on the available labor pool of semi-skilled and unskilled employees in each of the markets in which we operate.

If our labor costs increase, we may not experience reimbursement rate increases to offset these additional costs. Because a significant percentage of our revenues consists of fixed, prospective payments, our ability to pass along increased labor costs is limited. In particular, if labor costs rise at an annual rate greater than our net annual market basket update from Medicare, our results of operations and cash flows will be adversely affected. Conversely, decreases in reimbursement revenues, such as with sequestration, may limit our ability to increase compensation or benefits to the extent necessary to retain key employees, in turn increasing our turnover and associated costs. Union activity is another factor that may contribute to increased labor costs. Our failure to recruit and retain qualified medical personnel, or to control our labor costs, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position, results of operations, and cash flows.

We are a defendant in various lawsuits, and may be subject to liability under qui tam cases, the outcome of which could have a material adverse effect on us.

We operate in a highly regulated and litigious industry. As a result, various lawsuits, claims, and legal and regulatory proceedings have been and can be expected to be instituted or asserted against us. We are a defendant in a number of lawsuits. Substantial damages, fines, or other remedies assessed against us or agreed to in settlements could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position, results of operations, and cash flows. Additionally, the costs of defending litigation and investigations, even if frivolous or nonmeritorious, could be significant.

We insure a substantial portion of our professional liability, general liability, and workers—compensation liability risks through our captive insurance subsidiary. Changes in the number of these liability claims and the cost to resolve them impact the reserves for these risks. A variance between our estimated and actual number of claims or average cost per claim could have a material impact, either favorable or unfavorable, on the adequacy of the reserves for these liability risks, which could have an effect on our financial position and results of operations.

The False Claims Act allows private citizens, called relators, to institute civil proceedings alleging violations of the False Claims Act. These *qui tam* cases are sealed by the court at the time of filing. Prior to the lifting of the seal by the court, the only parties typically privy to the information contained in the

complaint are the relator, the federal government, and the presiding court. It is possible that *qui tam* lawsuits have been filed against us and that those suits remain under seal or that we are unaware of such filings or prevented by existing law or court order from discussing or disclosing the filing of such suits. We may be subject to liability under one or more undisclosed *qui tam* cases brought pursuant to the False Claims Act.

# The proper function, availability, and security of our information systems are critical to our business.

We are and will remain dependent on the proper function, availability and security of our and third-party information systems, including our electronic clinical information system which plays a substantial role in the operations of the hospitals in which it is installed and any information systems currently in use by Encompass. We undertake substantial measures to protect the safety and security of our information systems and the data maintained within those systems, and we regularly test the adequacy of our security and disaster recovery measures. We have implemented administrative, technical and physical controls on our systems and devices in an attempt to prevent unauthorized access to that data, which includes protected health information subject to the protections of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 and the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act and other sensitive information. As part of our efforts, we may be required to expend significant capital to protect against the threat of security breaches, including cyber-attacks, or to alleviate problems caused by breaches, including unauthorized access to patient data and protected health information stored in our information systems and the introduction of computer malware to our systems. However, given the rapidly evolving nature of cyber threats, there can be no assurance our safety and security measures or network security or other controls will detect and prevent security or data breaches, including cyber-attacks, in a timely manner or otherwise prevent unauthorized access to, damage to or interruption of our systems and operations. We may be vulnerable to losses associated with the improper functioning, security breach or unavailability of our information systems as well as any systems used in acquired operations such as Encompass. A compromise of our safety and security measures, or network security or other controls, or of those businesses with whom we interact, which results in confidential information being accessed, obtained, damaged or used by unauthorized or improper persons, could harm our reputation and expose us to significant remedial costs as well as regulatory actions and claims from patients, financial institutions, and other persons, any of which could adversely affect our business, financial position, results of operations and cash flows. Moreover, a security breach could require that we expend significant resources related to our information systems and infrastructure, and could distract management and other key personnel from performing their primary operational duties. In the case of a material breach or cyber-attack, the associated expenses and losses may exceed our current insurance coverage for such events. Failure to maintain proper function, security, or availability of our information systems or protect our data against unauthorized access could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position, results of operations, and cash flows.

Our electronic clinical information system (the CIS) is subject to a licensing, implementation, technology hosting, and support agreement with Cerner Corporation. In June 2011, we entered into an agreement with Cerner to begin a company-wide implementation of this system in 2012. As of December 31, 2014, we have installed the CIS in 58 hospitals with another 24 installations scheduled for 2015. We expect to complete installation in our existing hospitals by the end of 2017. Our inability, or the inability of Cerner, to continue to maintain and upgrade our information systems, software, and hardware could disrupt or reduce the efficiency of our operations. In addition, costs, unexpected problems, and interruptions associated with the implementation or transition to new systems or technology or with adequate support of those systems or technology across multiple hospitals could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position, results of operations, and cash flows.

# Successful execution of our current business plan depends on our key personnel.

The success of our current business plan depends in large part upon the leadership and performance of our executive management team and key employees and our ability to retain and motivate these individuals. We rely upon their ability, expertise, judgment, discretion, integrity and good faith. There can be no assurance that we will retain our key executives and employees or that we can attract or retain other highly qualified individuals in the future. If we lose key personnel, we may be unable to replace them with personnel of comparable experience in, or knowledge of, the healthcare provider industry or our specific post-acute segment. The loss of the services of any of these individuals could prevent us from successfully executing our business plan and could have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

# Uncertainty in the capital markets could adversely affect our ability to carry out our development objectives.

The global and sovereign credit markets have experienced significant disruptions in recent years, and in 2013, the debt ceiling and federal budget disputes in the United States affected capital markets. Future market shocks could negatively affect the availability or terms of certain types of debt and equity financing, including access to revolving lines of credit. Future business needs combined with market conditions at the time may cause us to seek alternative sources of potentially less attractive financing and may require us to adjust our business plan accordingly. For example, tight credit markets, such as might result from further turmoil in the sovereign debt markets, would likely make additional financing more expensive and difficult to obtain. The inability to obtain additional financing at attractive rates or prices could have a material adverse effect on our financial performance or our growth opportunities.

As a result of credit market uncertainty, we also face potential exposure to counterparties who may be unable to adequately service our needs, including the ability of the lenders under our credit agreement to provide liquidity when needed. We monitor the financial strength of our depositories, creditors, and insurance carriers using publicly available information, as well as qualitative inputs.

### **Risks Related to the Acquisition of Encompass**

The anticipated benefits of the Acquisition may not be realized, which could adversely impact our business and our operating results.

We anticipate the Acquisition will result in benefits including, among other things, enhanced revenues and our enhanced ability to provide a continuum of facility-based and home-based post-acute services. The acquired business may underperform relative to our expectations, including failing to continue to acquire and integrate other home health and hospice providers to the degree expected. If the acquired business underperforms and such underperformance is other than temporary, we may be required to take an impairment charge.

Achieving the anticipated benefits of the Acquisition is subject to a number of uncertainties, including general competitive factors in the marketplace. The acquired business may not contribute to our revenues or earnings to the extent anticipated, and the synergies we expect from the Acquisition may not be realized after the Acquisition has been completed. Additionally, the costs or difficulties related to the integration of Encompass business and operations into ours could be greater than expected, and the Acquisition could cause disruption to our business and operations and our relationships with customers, employees and other parties. Failure to achieve the anticipated benefits could result in increased costs, decreases in the amount of expected revenues, inability to meet the financial ratios and financial condition tests under our

credit agreement and diversion of management s time and energy and could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, results of operations, and cash flows. Thus, the anticipated benefits of the Acquisition may not be realized, and significant time and cost beyond that anticipated may be required in connection with the integration of HealthSouth and Encompass.

Encompass, with a substantial portion of its revenues derived from Medicare, is subject to many of the same risks as HealthSouth's IRF business. You should review the risks under Risks Related to Our Business, including Compliance with the extensive laws and government regulations applicable to healthcare providers requires substantial time, effort and expense, and if we fail to comply with them, we could suffer penalties or be required to make significant changes to our operations, We are a defendant in various lawsuits, and may be subject to liability under qui tam cases, the outcome of which could have a material adverse effect on us, and The proper function, availability, and security of our information systems are critical to our business.

# We may not be able to successfully integrate Encompass.

Prior to consummation of the Acquisition, Encompass operated independently of us, with its own business, corporate culture, locations, employees and systems. We will in some respects operate our existing business, along with the business of Encompass, as one combined organization, for example utilizing certain common information systems, operating procedures, administrative functions, financial and internal controls and human resources practices. There may be substantial difficulties, costs and delays involved in the integration of Encompass with our business. In addition, Encompass itself has grown through acquisitions, and there may be legacy systems, operating policies and procedures, and financial and administrative practices yet to be fully integrated within Encompass. The failure to successfully integrate Encompass with our business could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, results of operations, and cash flows.

# Risks Related to Encompass Business

Reductions or changes to the reimbursement mechanisms from government payors and other legislative and regulatory changes affecting the home health and hospice businesses could adversely affect Encompass operating results.

Encompass derives a substantial portion of its net operating revenues from the Medicare program. As noted above, from time to time legislative and regulatory changes have resulted in limitations on the increases and, in some cases, significant roll-backs or reductions, in the levels of payments to healthcare providers for services under many government reimbursement programs. There can be no assurance that future governmental initiatives will not result in pricing roll-backs, freezes or other reimbursement reductions.

As discussed in Reductions or changes in reimbursement from government or third-party payors and other legislative and regulatory changes affecting our industry could adversely affect our operating results, the 2010 Healthcare Reform Laws have impacted and will in the future continue to impact home health and hospice care providers. For example, the 2010 Healthcare Reform Law directed CMS to improve home health payment accuracy through rebasing home health payments over four years starting in 2014. The rebasing adjustment for calendar year 2015 resulted in an approximately 2.8% reduction to the annual market basket update determined by CMS. In addition, the laws also require an annual home health productivity adjustment beginning on January 1, 2015. For calendar year 2015, that adjustment will be a decrease to the market basket update of 50 basis points. For hospice services, the 2010 Healthcare Reform laws require, in addition to the annual productivity adjustment, further reduction of the annual market basket update of 30 basis points for fiscal years 2013 through 2019. The hospice productivity adjustment for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2014 was a decrease to the market basket update of 50 basis points.

CMS recently hired ABT & Associates to examine and recommend changes to the home health outlier payment calculation methodology. Changes to how the larger outlier payments are calculated could adversely affect Encompass revenues with respect to these payments. In addition, in August 2014, MedPAC provided CMS with its comments on CMS s 2015 home health prospective payment system update, changes to the face-to-face visit requirement, recalibration of the payment weights for home health resource groups, changes to the pay-for reporting program and changes to the value-based purchasing model.

Specifically, MedPAC recommended (i) accelerating rebasing cuts and legislative changes to make the cuts larger in size considering the 3.5% reduction will not effectively remove margins, (ii) requiring home health recipients to make copayments for services, (iii) implementing readmission penalties on home health outcomes similar to penalties levied in acute care services, (iv) overhauling the home health prospective payment system to pay providers based on patient characteristics in lieu of the number of services furnished, (v) keeping the physician face-to-face narrative as a requirement in effect for at least another year while CMS considers potential modifications, (vi) CMS analyzing the change in the reported average case-mix to determine whether a payment adjustment is warranted, and (vii) implementing a value-based purchasing demonstration by fiscal year 2016.

There can be no assurance these recommendations and initiatives or other future governmental action will not result in substantial changes to home health and hospice operations or material deductions in reimbursements.

# Competition among home health and hospice service companies is intense.

The home health and hospice services industry is highly competitive and fragmented. Our primary competition comes from locally owned private home health companies or acute-care hospitals with adjunct home health services and typically varies from market to market. We compete with a variety of other companies in providing home health and hospice services, some of which may have greater financial and other resources and may be more established in their respective communities. Competing companies may offer newer or different services from those we offer or have better relationships with referring physicians and may thereby attract patients who are presently, or would be candidates for, receiving Encompass home health or hospice services.

Some of Encompass current and potential competitors, which include a number of other public companies, have or may obtain significantly greater marketing and financial resources than Encompass has or may obtain. Relatively few barriers to entry exist in most of Encompass local markets. Accordingly, other companies, including hospitals and other healthcare organizations that are not currently providing competing services, may expand their services to include home health services, hospice care, community care services or similar services. Encompass may encounter increased competition in the future that could negatively impact patient referrals to Encompass, limit its ability to maintain or increase its market position and adversely affect Encompass profitability.

Beginning in January 2015, hospice agencies will be required by CMS to complete a Hospice Experience of Care Survey. As part of this new survey, the survey data will be made available to the public when 12 months of data are available. In addition to the likely additional costs associated with implementing and responding to the survey, competing companies may use the disclosed information in their marketing and other strategic materials which could negatively impact patient referrals to Encompass, limit its ability to maintain or increase its market position, and adversely affect Encompass profitability.

If we are unable to maintain or develop relationships with patient referral sources, our growth and profitability could be adversely affected.

The success of home health and hospice providers depends substantially on referrals from physicians, hospitals, case managers and other patient referral sources in the communities served. Referral sources are not contractually obligated to refer home care patients to us and may refer their patients to other providers. Our growth and profitability depend on our ability to establish and maintain close working relationships with these patient referral sources and to increase awareness and acceptance of the benefits of home health and hospice care by our referral sources and their patients. We cannot assure you that we will be able to maintain our existing referral source relationships or that we will be able to develop and maintain new relationships in existing or new markets. Our loss of, or failure to maintain, existing relationships or our failure to develop new relationships could adversely affect our ability to grow our business and operate profitably.

Given our intention to expand our presence in home health and hospice, we are subject to risks in a market in which we have limited experience.

The majority of our experience has historically been as an owner and operator of inpatient rehabilitation hospitals. An important aspect of the Encompass acquisition was retention of its management team. If we decide to further expand our presence in home health or hospice or other relevant healthcare services, our existing overall business model may change, and we may become subject to risks in a market in which we have limited experience. In most states, home health is regulated by different agencies than those that regulate inpatient rehabilitation hospitals, and we have less experience with the agencies that regulate home health. If we decided to expand our presence in home health and hospice, we might have to adjust part of our existing business model, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, results of operations, and cash flows.

We rely extensively on the experience and expertise of Encompass management team. In order to retain this experience and expertise, we have entered into three-year employment agreements that include noncompetition and other restrictive covenants with certain key senior management personnel of Encompass. However, there is no guarantee we will be able to retain these individuals or other members of Encompass management team after completing the Acquisition. If we are unable to retain these members of Encompass senior management, we could face increased difficulties in operating Encompass and in expanding our presence in home health and hospice.

For additional discussion of risks related to our future growth, see Risks Related to Our Business We may have difficulty completing acquisitions, investments, joint ventures or de novo developments or increasing capacity with bed additions at existing hospitals consistent with our growth strategy , We may make investments or acquisitions or enter into joint ventures that may be unsuccessful and could expose us to unforeseen liabilities and Successful execution of our current business plan depends on our key personnel.

If any of Encompass home health or hospice programs fail to comply with the Medicare conditions of participation, that program could be terminated from the Medicare program.

Each of Encompass home health and hospice agencies must comply with extensive conditions of participation for certification in the Medicare program. If any of Encompass home health or hospice programs fails to meet any of the Medicare conditions of participation, that program may receive a notice of deficiency from the applicable state survey agency. If that home health or hospice agency then fails to institute an acceptable plan of correction and correct the deficiency within the applicable correction period, that program could be terminated from receiving Medicare payments. For example, the

conditions require that hospice programs have a certain number of volunteers. A program could be terminated from the Medicare benefit if the program fails to address the deficiency within the applicable correction period. If CMS terminates one program or agency, it may increase its scrutiny of other agencies under common control. Additionally, in October 2014, CMS proposed revisions the Medicare conditions of participation applicable to home health agencies and intended to provide home health agencies with enhanced flexibility while focusing provider efforts on patient services, quality of care, and quality assessment and performance improvement efforts. More specifically, CMS proposes to establish four new conditions of participation (in addition to retaining current requirements related to comprehensive assessment of patients) for patient rights; care planning, coordination of services, and quality of care, requiring an interdisciplinary team approach to provide home health services; quality assessment and performance improvement, requiring each home health agency to conduct ongoing quality assessment, incorporate data-driven goals, and maintain an evidence-based performance improvement program of its own design to affect continuing improvement in the quality of patient care; and infection prevention and control. We cannot predict when or what, if any, changes will be made or the impact on us. We believe Encompass is in substantial compliance with the conditions of participation; however, we cannot predict how surveyors will interpret all aspects of the Medicare conditions of participation. Any termination of one or more of Encompass home health or hospice programs from the Medicare program for failure to satisfy the conditions of participation could adversely affect its patient service revenue and profitability and financial condition. We believe Encompass is in compliance with the conditions of participation; however, we cannot predict how surveyors will interpret all aspects of the Medicare conditions of participation.

# We could experience significant malpractice or other similar claims.

Home care services, by their very nature, are provided in an environment, the patient s home, that is not in the substantial control of the healthcare provider. Accordingly, home care involves an increased level of associated risk of general and professional liability. On any given day, Encompass has thousands of nurses, therapists and other care providers driving to and from the homes of patients where they deliver care. We cannot predict the impact that any claims arising out of the travel, the home visits or the care being provided, regardless of their ultimate outcome, could have on our business or reputation or on our ability to attract and retain patients and employees. We also cannot predict the adequacy of any reserves for such losses or recoveries from any insurance or re-insurance policies.

We could experience significant increases to our operating costs due to shortages of qualified home health and hospice employees and other healthcare professionals or union activity.

The market for qualified home health and hospice employees and other healthcare professionals is highly competitive. Encompass, like other healthcare providers, may experience difficulties in attracting and retaining qualified personnel such as nurses, certified nurse s assistants, nurse s aides, therapists, home health and hospice employees and other providers of healthcare services. Encompass home health and hospice operations are particularly dependent on nurses and other employees for patient care. As the demand for home health services and hospice services continues to exceed the supply of available and qualified staff, home health operators and their competitors have been forced to offer more attractive wage and benefit packages to these professionals. Any difficulty Encompass may experience in hiring and retaining qualified personnel may increase its average wage rates and may force it to increase its use of contract personnel.

In addition, healthcare providers are experiencing a high level of union activity across the country. Encompass currently has no unionized employees. Although we cannot predict the degree to which Encompass will be affected by future union activity, there are continuing legislative proposals that could result in increased union activity. Encompass could experience an increase in labor and other costs from union activity. Furthermore, Encompass could experience a disruption of its operations if its employees were to engage in a strike or other work stoppage.

Encompass may experience increases in its labor costs primarily due to higher wages and greater benefits required to attract and retain qualified healthcare personnel. Our inability to adequately manage Encompass labor costs may adversely affect our future operating results.

Encompass hospice operations are subject to annual Medicare caps calculated by Medicare and potential changes in the Medicare reimbursement methodology.

With respect to Encompass hospice operations, overall payments made by Medicare to each hospice provider number are subject to an inpatient cap amount and an overall payment cap, which are calculated and published by the Medicare fiscal intermediary on an annual basis covering the period from November 1 through October 31. If payments received under any one of Encompass hospice provider numbers exceeds either of these caps, it may be required to reimburse Medicare for payments received in excess of the caps, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial position, results of operations, and cash flows. CMS and MedPAC are currently working on amending the timing requirements of refunding overpayments related to hospice payments, which may have an adverse effect on Encompass cash flows. In addition, MedPAC has recommended that CMS work to develop an alternative payment system for hospice services. Over the last several years, CMS examined an alternative payment system for hospices (including adding a case-mix adjustment to the system) and found that costs varied at different stages of a hospice stay with higher costs accruing at the beginning and end of an episode. As a result, CMS is examining adjusting the payment system by implementing a short-stay policy. There can be no assurance the foregoing recommendations will not result in substantial changes to hospice reimbursements Encompass is entitled to receive from Medicare.

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# **USE OF PROCEEDS**

We estimate the net proceeds from this offering will be approximately \$399.94 million after deducting underwriting discounts and our estimated expenses related to this offering. We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering, together with cash on hand, to repay \$250 million of borrowings under the \$300 million tranche of our term loan facility and, with respect to remaining proceeds, borrowings under our revolving credit facility. These borrowings under our senior secured credit facility were used to fund a portion of the cash consideration for the Acquisition. The amounts being repaid under our senior secured credit facility mature on September 20, 2019, and the interest rate thereon as of the date of this prospectus supplement is 1.92% per annum. See Capitalization in this prospectus supplement and Use of Proceeds in the accompanying prospectus.

The underwriters and/or their affiliates are lenders under our senior secured credit facility and, accordingly, will receive the net proceeds of this offering. See Underwriting (Conflicts of Interest) in this prospectus supplement.

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#### **CAPITALIZATION**

The table below sets forth the following information:

our actual cash and cash equivalents and capitalization as of September 30, 2014;

our cash and cash equivalents and capitalization, as adjusted to reflect our (i) redemption in October 2014 of all of our 7.25% Senior Notes due 2018 using the net proceeds from our September 2014 offering of our 5.75% Senior Notes due 2024, \$75 million of borrowings drawn under our term loan facility, and approximately \$36 million of cash, (ii) optional redemption in December 2014 of 10% of the outstanding principal amount, or approximately \$25 million, of our 7.75% Senior Notes due 2022 using approximately \$26 million of cash and (iii) the incurrence of indebtedness to pay the cash consideration for the Acquisition and certain fees and expenses of the Acquisition; and

our cash and cash equivalents and capitalization, as further adjusted to reflect the offering of the notes offered hereby and the application of the net proceeds as described under Use of Proceeds. You should read the information in this table together with our consolidated financial statements and the related notes in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2014, which is incorporated herein by reference.

	Sept	As of ember 30,			adj	further usted for
(In millions, except share data)	2014		As Adjusted		this offering	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 272.31		\$	40.3	\$	40.3
Senior secured debt						
Advances under Revolving Credit Facility	\$		\$	$325.0^{3}$	\$	175.0
Term Loan Facility				$450.0^{13}$		200.0
Capital Lease Obligations		84.3		84.3		84.3
		84.3		859.3		459.3
Senior debt						
7.25% Senior Notes due 2018		272.3		1		
8.125% Senior Notes due 2020		286.9		286.9		286.9
7.75% Senior Notes due 2022		252.4		$227.1^{2}$		227.1
5.75% Senior Notes due 2024		456.31		456.3		856.3
2.00% Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes due 2043		255.8		255.8		255.8
Other notes payable		41.9		41.9		41.9
		1,565.6		1,268.0		1,668.0

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Total debt	1,649.9	2,127.3	2,127.3
Convertible perpetual preferred stock, \$0.10 par value: 1,500,000 shares authorized: 96,245 issued and outstanding; liquidation preference of \$1,000 per share	93.2	93.2	93.2
Shareholders equity			
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 200,000,000 shares authorized; 104,011,178 issued	1.0	1.0	1.0
Capital in excess of par value	2,828.0	2,828.0	2,828.0
Accumulated deficit	(1,921.2)	(1,921.2)	(1,921.2)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)
Treasury stock, at cost (16,255,544 shares)	(458.1)	(458.1)	(458.1)
Noncontrolling interests	143.2	143.2	143.2
Total shareholders equity	592.8	592.8	592.8
Total capitalization	\$ 2,335.9	\$ 2,813.3	\$ 2,813.3

- (1) In October 2014, we redeemed all of our 7.25% Senior Notes due 2018 using the net proceeds from our September 2014 offering of our 5.75% Senior Notes due 2024, \$75 million of borrowings drawn under our term loan facility, and approximately \$36 million of cash. Cash on hand as of September 30, 2014 included approximately \$182 million of proceeds from our September 2014 offering of our 5.75% Senior Notes due 2024.
- (2) In December 2014, and pursuant to the terms of the 7.75% senior notes due 2022, we completed the optional redemption of 10% of the outstanding principal amount, or approximately \$25 million of the notes at a price of 103%, which resulted in a total cash outlay of approximately \$26 million. This redemption was funded using available cash.
- (3) In December 2014, we amended our credit agreement to establish a new \$300 million tranche of term loan facility with substantially the same terms as its existing \$150 million term loan facility. We used this expanded term loan facility along with a \$325 million draw under our revolving credit facility to fund the cash purchase price in the acquisition of EHHI Holdings.

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# RATIOS OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table sets forth our consolidated ratios of earnings to fixed charges for the periods presented:

	Nine Mo	onths						
	Endo	ed						
	<b>September 30, 2014</b>			Year Ended December 31,				
			2013	2013				
	Pro Forma <sup>(1)</sup>	ActualPr	o Forma	<sup>(1)</sup> Actual	2012	2011	2010	2009
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	3.7	4.2	3.7	4.2	3.9	2.7	2.3	1.8

These pro forma ratios give effect to the difference in fixed charges resulting from this offering and the additional debt incurred under our senior secured credit facility to fund part of the Acquisition, which is being repaid with the proceeds of this offering. The pro forma ratio of earnings to fixed charges does not include any earnings or fixed charges of EHHI Holdings, Inc.

In computing the ratio of earnings to fixed charges: (1) earnings have been based on income from continuing operations before income taxes, fixed charges (exclusive of interest capitalized), and distributed income of equity investees and (2) fixed charges consist of interest and amortization of debt discounts and fees expense (including amounts capitalized), the estimated interest portion of rents, and dividends on our convertible perpetual preferred stock.

# **DESCRIPTION OF NOTES**

The following description of the terms of the notes supplements the description of the general terms and provisions of the debt securities contained in the accompanying prospectus. To the extent the following terms are inconsistent with the general description contained in the accompanying prospectus, the following terms replace such inconsistent terms. You should read both the accompanying prospectus and this prospectus supplement.

HealthSouth Corporation issued \$275.0 million in aggregate principal amount of 5.75% Senior Notes due 2024 (the *Initial Notes* ) under a supplemental indenture (the *Fourth Supplemental Indenture* ) dated as of September 11, 2012 to the senior indenture dated December 1, 2009 (together with the Fourth Supplemental Indenture, the *Indenture* ), among itself, the Subsidiary Guarantors and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, successor to The Bank of Nova Scotia Trust Company of New York, as Trustee. HealthSouth Corporation issued an additional \$175.0 million in aggregate principal amount of 5.75% Senior Notes due 2024 (the *First Additional Notes* ) on September 18, 2014 under the Fourth Supplemental Indenture. In this offering, HealthSouth Corporation will issue an additional \$400.0 million in aggregate principal amount of its 5.75% Senior Notes due 2024 (the *New Notes* and together with the Initial Notes and the First Additional Notes, the *Notes* ). The New Notes will constitute Additional Notes (as defined below) of the series of Notes issued under the Indenture. The Initial Notes, the First Additional Notes and the New Notes will be treated as a single class for all purposes of the Indenture, including waivers, amendments, redemptions and offers to purchase. In this Description of Notes, the Initial Notes together with the First Additional Notes and the New Notes may be referred to herein collectively as a series. The terms of the Notes include those stated in the Indenture and those made part of the Indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act.

Certain terms used in this description are defined under the subheading Certain Definitions. In this description, the word *Company* refers only to HealthSouth Corporation and not to any of its subsidiaries.

The following description is only a summary of the material provisions of the Indenture. We urge you to read the Indenture because it, not this description, defines your rights as holders of Notes. You may request copies of the Indenture at our address set forth under the heading Where You Can Find More Information.

# **Brief Description of the Notes**

These Notes:

are unsecured senior obligations of the Company;

are senior in right of payment to any existing and future Subordinated Obligations of the Company; and

are guaranteed by each Subsidiary Guarantor.

# Principal, Maturity and Interest

Subject to our compliance with the covenant described under the subheading Certain Covenants Limitation on Indebtedness, we are permitted to issue more Notes of a series from time to time under the Indenture (the *Additional Notes*), *provided*, *however*, that no Additional Notes may be issued at a price that would cause such Additional Notes to have original issue discount within the meaning of Section 1273 of the Code (as defined below). The New Notes

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constitute Additional Notes of the series of Notes under the Indenture. The Company will issue the New Notes with a maximum aggregate principal amount of \$400 million. The Notes will mature on November 1, 2024. The Notes of

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a series and the Additional Notes of such series, if any, will be treated as a single class for all purposes of the Indenture, including waivers, amendments, redemptions and offers to purchase. Unless the context otherwise requires, for all purposes of the Indenture and this Description of Notes, references to the Notes of a series include the New Notes and any further Additional Notes of such series actually issued.

Interest on the Notes will accrue at the rate of 5.75% per annum.

Interest on the Notes will be payable semiannually in arrears on May 1 and November 1 of each year, commencing May 1, 2015 in the case of the New Notes. We will make each interest payment to the holders of record of the Notes on the immediately preceding April 15 and October 15. We will pay interest on overdue principal at 1% per annum in excess of the rate set forth above and will pay interest on overdue installments of interest at such higher rate to the extent lawful. Interest on the New Notes will accrue from November 1, 2014. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months.

The Company will issue the Notes in denominations of \$2,000 and any greater integral multiple of \$1,000.

# **Optional Redemption**

On and after November 1, 2017, we will be entitled at our option to redeem all or a portion of the Notes upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days notice, at the redemption prices (expressed in percentages of principal amount on the redemption date), plus accrued interest to the redemption date (subject to the right of Holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date), if redeemed during the 12-month period commencing on November 1 of the years set forth below:

	Redemption
Period	Price
2017	102.875%
2018	101.917%
2019	100.958%
2020 and thereafter	100.000%

Prior to November 1, 2015, we will be entitled at our option on one or more occasions to redeem Notes (which includes Additional Notes, if any) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes (which includes Additional Notes, if any) issued at a redemption price (expressed as a percentage of principal amount) of 105.75%, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date, with the net cash proceeds from one or more Equity Offerings; *provided*, *however*, that

- (1) at least 65% of such aggregate principal amount of the Notes (which includes Additional Notes, if any) remains outstanding immediately after the occurrence of each such redemption (other than the Notes held, directly or indirectly, by the Company or its Affiliates); and
- (2) each such redemption occurs within 90 days after the date of the related Equity Offering. Prior to November 1, 2017, we will be entitled at our option to redeem all or a portion of the Notes at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes plus the Applicable Premium as of, and accrued and unpaid

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interest to, the redemption date (subject to the right of Holders on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date). Notice of such redemption must be mailed by first-class mail to each Holder s registered address, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the redemption date.

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Applicable Premium means with respect to a Note at any redemption date, the greater of (1) 1.00% of the principal amount of such Note and (2) the excess of (A) the present value at such redemption date of (i) the redemption price of such Note on November 1, 2017 (such redemption prices being described in the tables above in this Optional Redemption section, and exclusive of any accrued interest), plus (ii) all required remaining scheduled interest payments due on such Note through November 1, 2017 (but excluding accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date), computed using a discount rate equal to the Adjusted Treasury Rate, over (B) the principal amount of such Note on such redemption date.

Adjusted Treasury Rate means, with respect to any redemption date, (1) the yield, under the heading which represents the average for the immediately preceding week, appearing in the most recently published statistical release designated H.15(519) or any successor publication that is published weekly by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and which establishes yields on actively traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to constant maturity under the caption Treasury Constant Maturities, for the maturity corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue (if no maturity is within three months before or after November 1, 2017, yields for the two published maturities most closely corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue shall be determined and the Adjusted Treasury Rate shall be interpolated or extrapolated from such yields on a straight line basis, rounding to the nearest month) or (2) if such release (or any successor release) is not published during the week preceding the calculation date or does not contain such yields, the rate per year equal to the semi-annual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for such redemption date, in each case calculated on the third Business Day immediately preceding the redemption date, plus 0.50%.

Comparable Treasury Issue means the United States Treasury security selected by the Quotation Agent as having a maturity comparable to the remaining term of the Notes from the redemption date to November 1, 2017, that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of a maturity most nearly equal to November 1, 2017.

Comparable Treasury Price means, with respect to any redemption date, if clause (2) of the Adjusted Treasury Rate is applicable, the average of two, or such lesser number as is obtained by the Company, Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for such redemption date.

Quotation Agent means the Reference Treasury Dealer selected by the Company.

Reference Treasury Dealer means each of Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and Barclays Capital Inc. and their respective successors and assigns.

Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations means with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any redemption date, the average, as determined by the Company, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue, expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount, quoted in writing to the Company by such Reference Treasury Dealer at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third Business Day immediately preceding such redemption date.

#### **Selection and Notice of Redemption**

If we are redeeming less than all of the Notes at any time, the Trustee will select Notes on a *pro rata* basis to the extent practicable.

We will redeem Notes of \$2,000 or less in whole and not in part. We will cause notices of redemption to be mailed by first-class mail at least 30 but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each holder of Notes to be

redeemed at its registered address.

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If any Note is to be redeemed in part only, the notice of redemption that relates to that Note will state the portion of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed. We will issue a new Note in a principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the original Note in the name of the holder upon cancelation of the original Note. Notes called for redemption become due on the date fixed for redemption. On and after the redemption date, interest ceases to accrue on Notes or portions of them called for redemption.

### Mandatory Redemption; Offers to Purchase; Open Market Purchases

We are not required to make any mandatory redemption or sinking fund payments with respect to the Notes. However, under certain circumstances, we may be required to offer to purchase Notes as described under the captions Change of Control and Certain Covenants Limitation on Sales of Assets and Subsidiary Stock. We may at any time and from time to time purchase Notes in the open market or otherwise.

#### Guarantees

The Subsidiary Guarantors will jointly and severally guarantee, on a senior unsecured basis, our obligations under the Notes. The obligations of each Subsidiary Guarantor under its Subsidiary Guarantee will be limited as necessary to prevent that Subsidiary Guarantee from constituting a fraudulent conveyance under applicable law. If, however, a Subsidiary Guarantee were rendered voidable, it could be subordinated by a court to all other indebtedness (including guarantees and other contingent liabilities) of the applicable Subsidiary Guarantor, and, depending on the amount of such other indebtedness, a Subsidiary Guarantor s liability on its Subsidiary Guarantee could be reduced to zero. See Risk Factors Risks Related to the Notes Federal and state statutes could allow courts, under specific circumstances, to void the Subsidiary Guarantees, subordinate claims in respect of the notes and require note holders to return payments received from subsidiary guarantors.

Initially, the Notes are guaranteed by all of our subsidiaries that guarantee borrowings under the Credit Agreement. Holdings, EHHI and their respective subsidiaries are not guarantors of the Notes or the Credit Agreement.

Each Subsidiary Guarantor that makes a payment under its Subsidiary Guarantee will be entitled upon payment in full of all guaranteed obligations under the Indenture to a contribution from each other Subsidiary Guarantor in an amount equal to such other Subsidiary Guarantor s *pro* rata portion of such payment based on the respective net assets of all the Subsidiary Guarantors at the time of such payment determined in accordance with GAAP.

Pursuant to the Indenture, (A) a Subsidiary Guarantor may consolidate with, merge with or into, or transfer all or substantially all its assets to any other Person and (B) the Capital Stock of a Subsidiary Guarantor may be sold or otherwise disposed of to another Person to the extent described below under Certain Covenants Limitation on Sales of Assets and Subsidiary Stock.

The Subsidiary Guarantee of a Subsidiary Guarantor with respect to the Notes will be released:

- (1) upon the designation of such Subsidiary Guarantor as an Unrestricted Subsidiary under the Indenture;
- (2) at such time as any Guarantee by such Subsidiary Guarantor of the obligations under the Credit Agreement and under all Capital Markets Indebtedness has been released and discharged, except a discharge or release by or as a result of payment under such Guarantee; or

(3) if we exercise our legal defeasance option or our covenant defeasance option as described under or if our obligations under the Indenture are discharged in accordance with the terms of Indenture.

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### Ranking

### Senior Indebtedness Versus Notes

The indebtedness evidenced by the Notes and the Subsidiary Guaranties will be unsecured and will rank *pari passu* in right of payment to the Senior Indebtedness of the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors, as the case may be.

As of September 30, 2014, as adjusted to reflect this Offering and the application of the net proceeds as described under Use of Proceeds and the Acquisition (including the incurrence of additional debt under our revolving credit and term loan facilities to fund part of the Acquisition) and the senior note redemptions that occurred in the fourth quarter of 2014, the Senior Indebtedness of the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors would have been approximately \$2.1 billion, including approximately \$459 million of senior secured indebtedness (including capital lease obligations). Other than capital leases, substantially all of the Senior Indebtedness of the Subsidiary Guarantors consists of their respective guarantees of Senior Indebtedness of the Company under the Credit Agreement and with respect to our outstanding senior notes, including the Notes.

The Notes and the Guarantees thereof are senior unsecured obligations of the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors respectively. The Notes and the Guarantees thereof will rank equal in right of payment to the current and future senior Indebtedness of the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors, respectively, and will rank senior in right of payment to any current and future subordinated Indebtedness of the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors, respectively. The Notes and Guarantees thereof will be effectively subordinated to current and future secured debt and other secured obligations of the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors, respectively, including borrowings under the Credit Agreement, to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt or other obligations. As of December 31, 2014, we had approximately \$243 million of available borrowing capacity under the revolving portion of our credit agreement.

### Liabilities of Subsidiaries Versus Notes

A substantial amount of our operations are conducted through our subsidiaries. Certain of our wholly owned subsidiaries, and substantially all of our non-wholly owned subsidiaries, are not guaranteeing the Notes. In addition, as described above under — Guarantees, — Subsidiary Guaranties may be released under certain circumstances. Also, our future subsidiaries may not be required to guarantee the Notes. Claims of creditors of such nonguarantor subsidiaries, including trade creditors and creditors holding indebtedness or guarantees issued by such nonguarantor subsidiaries, and claims of preferred stockholders of such nonguarantor subsidiaries generally will have priority with respect to the assets and earnings of such nonguarantor subsidiaries over the claims of our creditors, including holders of the Notes. Accordingly, the Notes will be structurally subordinated to creditors (including trade creditors) and preferred stockholders, if any, of our nonguarantor subsidiaries.

At September 30, 2014, the total liabilities of our subsidiaries (other than the Subsidiary Guarantors) were approximately \$207 million, including trade payables (excluding intercompany liabilities). Although the Indenture limits the incurrence of Indebtedness and preferred stock by certain of our subsidiaries, such limitation is subject to a number of significant qualifications. Moreover, the Indenture does not impose any limitation on the incurrence by such subsidiaries of liabilities that are not considered Indebtedness under the Indenture. See Certain Covenants Limitation on Indebtedness. The nonguarantor subsidiaries generated approximately 31.2% of our consolidated net operating revenues and approximately 24.1% of our Adjusted EBITDA for the year ended December 31, 2013 and generated approximately 31.3% of our consolidated net operating revenues and approximately 22.6% of our Adjusted EBITDA for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. These figures do not give effect to the Acquisition, and none of Holdings, EHHI or any of their respective subsidiaries are guarantors of the Notes.

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### **Transfer and Exchange**

The Notes initially will be represented by one or more global notes in registered form without interest coupons (the *Global Notes*). The Global Notes will be deposited upon issuance with the Trustee as custodian for The Depository Trust Company ( *DTC*) and registered in the name of DTC or its nominee, in each case for credit to an account of a direct or indirect participant in DTC as described below.

Except as set forth below, the Global Notes may be transferred, in whole and not in part, only to another nominee of DTC or to a successor of DTC or its nominee. Beneficial interests in the Global Notes may not be exchanged for Notes in certificated form except in the limited circumstances described below. See Exchange of Global Notes for Certificated Notes. Except in the limited circumstances described below, owners of beneficial interests in the Global Notes will not be entitled to receive physical delivery of Notes in certificated form.

Transfers of beneficial interests in the Global Notes will be subject to the applicable rules and procedures of DTC and its direct or indirect participants, which may change from time to time.

### **Depository Procedures**

The following description of the operations and procedures of DTC is provided solely as a matter of convenience. These operations and procedures are solely within the control of the respective settlement systems and are subject to changes by them. We take no responsibility for these operations and procedures and urge investors to contact the system or their participants directly to discuss these matters.

DTC has advised us that DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the laws of the State of New York, a banking organization within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a clearing corporation within the meaning of the Uniform Commercial Code and a clearing agency registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC was created to hold securities for its participating organizations (collectively, the *participants*) and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of transactions in those securities between participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants. The participants include securities brokers and dealers (including the underwriters), banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. Access to DTC s system is also available to other entities such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly (collectively, the *indirect participants*). Persons who are not participants may beneficially own securities held by or on behalf of DTC only through the participants or the indirect participants. The ownership interests in, and transfers of ownership interests in, each security held by or on behalf of DTC are recorded on the records of the participants and indirect participants.

DTC has also advised us that, pursuant to procedures established by it:

- (1) upon deposit of the Global Notes, DTC will credit the accounts of participants designated by the underwriters with portions of the principal amount of the Global Notes; and
- (2) ownership of these interests in the Global Notes will be shown on, and the transfer of ownership of these interests will be effected only through, records maintained by DTC (with respect to the participants) or by the participants and the indirect participants (with respect to other owners of beneficial interests in the

Global Notes).

Investors in the Global Notes who are participants in DTC s system may hold their interests therein directly through DTC. Investors in the Global Notes who are not participants may hold their interests therein indirectly through organizations which are participants in such system. All interests in a Global Note may be subject to the procedures and requirements of DTC. The laws of some states require that

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certain Persons take physical delivery in definitive form of securities that they own. Consequently, the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Note to such Persons will be limited to that extent. Because DTC can act only on behalf of participants, which in turn act on behalf of indirect participants, the ability of a Person having beneficial interests in a Global Note to pledge such interests to Persons that do not participate in the DTC system, or otherwise take actions in respect of such interests, may be affected by the lack of a physical certificate evidencing such interests.

Except as described below, owners of an interest in the Global Notes will not have Notes registered in their names, will not receive physical delivery of Notes in certificated form and will not be considered the registered owners or Holders thereof under the Indenture for any purpose.

Payments in respect of the principal of, and interest and premium and additional interest, if any, on a Global Note registered in the name of DTC or its nominee will be payable to DTC in its capacity as the registered Holder under the Indenture. Under the terms of the Indenture, the Company and the Trustee will treat the Persons in whose names the Notes, including the Global Notes, are registered as the owners of the Notes for the purpose of receiving payments and for all other purposes. Consequently, neither the Company, the Trustee nor any agent of the Company or the Trustee has or will have any responsibility or liability for:

- (1) any aspect of DTC s records or any participant s or indirect participant s records relating or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in the Global Notes or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any of DTC s records or any participant s or indirect participant s records relating to the beneficial ownership interests in the Global Notes; or
- (2) any other matter relating to the actions and practices of DTC or any of its participants or indirect participants.

DTC has advised us that its current practice, upon receipt of any payment in respect of securities such as the Notes (including principal and interest), is to credit the accounts of the relevant participants with the payment on the payment date unless DTC has reason to believe it will not receive payment on such payment date. Each relevant participant is credited with an amount proportionate to its beneficial ownership of an interest in the principal amount of the relevant security as shown on the records of DTC. Payments by the participants and the indirect participants to the beneficial owners of Notes will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices and will be the responsibility of the participants or the indirect participants and will not be the responsibility of DTC, the Trustee or the Company. Neither the Company nor the Trustee will be liable for any delay by DTC or any of its participants in identifying the beneficial owners of the Notes, and the Company and the Trustee may conclusively rely on and will be protected in relying on instructions from DTC or its nominee for all purposes.

Transfers between participants and DTC will be effected in accordance with DTC s procedures, and will be settled in same-day funds.

DTC has advised the Company that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a Holder of Notes only at the direction of one or more participants to whose account DTC has credited the interests in the Global Notes and only in respect of such portion of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes as to which such participant or participants has or have given such direction. However, if there is an Event of Default under the Notes, DTC reserves the right to exchange the Global Notes for legended Notes in certificated form, and to distribute such Notes to its participants.

Although DTC has agreed to the foregoing procedures in order to facilitate transfers of interests in the Global Notes among participants, it is under no obligation to perform such procedures, and such procedures may be discontinued or changed at any time. Neither the Company nor the Trustee nor any of their respective agents will have any responsibility for the performance by DTC or its participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

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## Exchange of Global Notes for Certificated Notes

A Global Note is exchangeable for Certificated Notes if:

- (1) DTC (A) notifies the Company that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depositary for such Global Notes or (B) has ceased to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in each case, a successor depositary is not appointed;
- (2) the Company, at its option, notifies the Trustee in writing that it elects to cause the issuance of the Certificated Notes; or
- (3) there has occurred and is continuing an Event of Default with respect to the Notes. In all cases, Certificated Notes delivered in exchange for any Global Note or beneficial interests in Global Notes will be registered in the names, and issued in any approved denominations, requested by or on behalf of the depositary (in accordance with its customary procedures).

### Same Day Settlement and Payment

The Company will make payments in respect of the Notes represented by the Global Notes (including principal, premium, if any, interest and additional interest, if any) by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the accounts specified by DTC or its successor as depositary. The Company will make all payments of principal, interest and premium and additional interest, if any, with respect to Certificated Notes by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the accounts specified by the Holders of the Certificated Notes or, if no such account is specified, by mailing a check to each such Holder s registered address. Any permitted secondary market trading activity in such Notes will be required by DTC to be settled in immediately available funds. The Company expects that secondary trading in any Certificated Notes will also be settled in immediately available funds.

### **Change of Control**

Upon the occurrence of any of the following events (each a *Change of Control*), each Holder shall have the right to require that the Company repurchase such Holder s Notes at a purchase price in cash equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof on the date of purchase plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase (subject to the right of holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date):

(1) the Company becomes aware that any person (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act) is or has become the beneficial owner (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act, except that for purposes of this clause (1) such person shall be deemed to have beneficial ownership of all shares that any such person has the right to acquire, whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the total voting power of the Voting Stock of the Company;

- (2) at any time during any period of up to 24 consecutive months, commencing on the Issue Date, individuals who at the beginning of such period constituted the Board of Directors (together with any new directors whose election by such Board of Directors or whose nomination for election by the shareholders of the Company was approved by a vote of a majority of the directors of the Company then still in office who were either directors at the beginning of such period or whose election or nomination for election was previously so approved) cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the Board of Directors then in office;
- (3) the Company is liquidated or dissolved or adopts a plan of liquidation or dissolution; or
- (4) the merger or consolidation of the Company with or into another Person or the merger of another Person with or into the Company, or the sale of all or substantially all the assets of the Company (determined on a consolidated basis) to another Person, other than a transaction

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following which (i) in the case of a merger or consolidation transaction, holders of securities that represented 100% of the Voting Stock of the Company immediately prior to such transaction (or other securities into which such securities are converted as part of such merger or consolidation transaction) own directly or indirectly at least a majority of the voting power of the Voting Stock of the surviving Person in such merger or consolidation transaction immediately after such transaction and (ii) in the case of a sale of assets transaction, each transferee becomes an obligor in respect of the Notes and a Subsidiary of the transferor of such assets.

Within 30 days following any Change of Control, we will mail a notice to each Holder with a copy to the Trustee (the *Change of Control Offer* ) stating:

- (1) that a Change of Control has occurred and that such Holder has the right to require us to purchase such Holder s Notes at a purchase price in cash equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof on the date of purchase, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase (subject to the right of Holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest on the relevant interest payment date);
- (2) the circumstances and relevant facts and financial information regarding such Change of Control;
- (3) the purchase date (which shall be no earlier than 30 days nor later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed); and
- (4) the instructions, as determined by us, consistent with the covenant described hereunder, that a Holder must follow in order to have its Notes purchased.

We will not be required to make a Change of Control Offer following a Change of Control if a third party makes the Change of Control Offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements set forth in the Indenture applicable to a Change of Control Offer made by us and purchases all Notes validly tendered and not withdrawn under such Change of Control Offer.

We will comply, to the extent applicable, with the requirements of Section 14(e) of the Exchange Act and any other securities laws or regulations in connection with the repurchase of Notes as a result of a Change of Control. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with the provisions of the covenant described hereunder, we will comply with the applicable securities laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached our obligations under the covenant described hereunder by virtue of our compliance with such securities laws or regulations.

The Change of Control purchase feature of the Notes may in certain circumstances make more difficult or discourage a sale or takeover of the Company and, thus, the removal of incumbent management. The Change of Control purchase feature is a result of negotiations between the Company and the underwriters. We have no present intention to engage in a transaction involving a Change of Control, although it is possible that we could decide to do so in the future. Subject to the limitations discussed below, we could, in the future, enter into certain transactions, including acquisitions, refinancings or other recapitalizations, that would not constitute a Change of Control under the Indenture, but that could increase the amount of indebtedness outstanding at such time or otherwise affect our capital structure or credit ratings. Restrictions on our ability to incur additional Indebtedness are contained in the covenants described under Certain Covenants Limitation on Indebtedness, Limitation on Liens and Limitation on

Sale/Leaseback Transactions. Such restrictions can only be waived under the Indenture with respect to the Notes with the consent of the holders of a majority in principal amount of the Notes then outstanding. Except for the limitations contained in such covenants, however, the Indenture will not contain any covenants or provisions that may afford holders of the Notes protection in the event of a highly leveraged transaction.

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Subject to certain exceptions, the Credit Agreement prohibits us from purchasing any Notes pursuant to a Change of Control Offer, and also provides that the occurrence of certain change of control events with respect to the Company would constitute a default thereunder. In the event a Change of Control occurs at a time when we are prohibited from purchasing Notes, we may seek the consent of our lenders to the purchase of Notes or may attempt to refinance the borrowings that contain such prohibition. If we do not obtain such a consent or repay such borrowings, we will remain prohibited from purchasing Notes. In such case, our failure to offer to purchase Notes would constitute a Default under the Indenture, which would, in turn, constitute a default under the Credit Agreement.

Future indebtedness that we may incur may contain prohibitions on the occurrence of certain events that would constitute a Change of Control or require the repurchase of such indebtedness upon a Change of Control. Moreover, the exercise by the holders of their right to require us to repurchase their Notes could cause a default under such indebtedness, even if the Change of Control itself does not, due to the financial effect of such repurchase on us. Finally, our ability to pay cash to the holders of Notes following the occurrence of a Change of Control may be limited by our then existing financial resources. There can be no assurance that sufficient funds will be available when necessary to make any required repurchases.

The definition of Change of Control includes a disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company to any Person. Although there is a limited body of case law interpreting the phrase substantially all, there is no precise established definition of the phrase under applicable law. Accordingly, in certain circumstances there may be a degree of uncertainty as to whether a particular transaction would involve a disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company. As a result, it may be unclear as to whether a Change of Control has occurred and whether a holder of Notes may require the Company to make an offer to repurchase the Notes as described above.

Under clause (2) of the definition of Change of Control, a Change of Control will occur when a majority of our board of directors are not Continuing Directors. In a recent decision in connection with a proxy contest, the Delaware Court of Chancery held that the occurrence of a change of control under a similar indenture provision may nevertheless be avoided if the existing directors were to approve the slate of new director nominees (who would constitute a majority of the new board) as continuing directors, provided the incumbent directors give their approval in the good faith exercise of their fiduciary duties owed to the corporation and its stockholders. Therefore, in certain circumstances involving a significant change in the composition of our board of directors, including in connection with a proxy contest where our board of directors does not endorse a dissident slate of directors but approves them as Continuing Directors, holders of the notes may not be entitled to require us to make a Change of Control Offer.

The provisions under the Indenture relative to our obligation to make an offer to repurchase the Notes issued thereunder as a result of a Change of Control may be waived or modified with the written consent of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of such Notes.

### **Certain Covenants**

The Indenture contains covenants including, among others, those summarized below.

### Limitation on Indebtedness

(a) The Company will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, Incur, directly or indirectly, any Indebtedness; *provided*, *however*, that the Company and the Subsidiary Guarantors will be entitled to Incur Indebtedness if, on the date of such Incurrence and after giving effect thereto on a *pro forma* basis the Consolidated Coverage Ratio exceeds 2.0 to 1.

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- (b) Notwithstanding the foregoing paragraph (a), the Company and the Restricted Subsidiaries will be entitled to Incur any or all of the following Indebtedness:
  - (1) Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to the Credit Agreement; *provided*, *however*, that, immediately after giving effect to any such Incurrence, the aggregate principal amount of all Indebtedness Incurred under this clause (1) and then outstanding does not exceed \$1,551 million less the sum of all principal payments with respect to such Indebtedness made pursuant to paragraph (a)(3)(A) of, and in satisfaction of, the covenant described under Limitation on Sales of Assets and Subsidiary Stock;
  - (2) Indebtedness owed to and held by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary; *provided*, *however*, that (A) any subsequent issuance or transfer of any Capital Stock that results in any such Restricted Subsidiary ceasing to be a Restricted Subsidiary or any subsequent transfer of such Indebtedness (other than to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary) shall be deemed, in each case, to constitute the Incurrence of such Indebtedness by the obligor thereon, (B) if the Company is the obligor on such Indebtedness, such Indebtedness is expressly subordinated to the prior payment in full in cash of all obligations with respect to the Notes, and (C) if a Subsidiary Guarantor is the obligor on such Indebtedness, such Indebtedness is expressly subordinated to the prior payment in full in cash of all obligations of such Subsidiary Guarantor with respect to its Subsidiary Guarantee:
  - (3) the Initial Notes (excluding any Additional Notes);
  - (4) Indebtedness outstanding on the Issue Date (other than Indebtedness described in clause (1), (2) or (3) of this covenant);
  - (5) Indebtedness of a Restricted Subsidiary Incurred and outstanding on or prior to the date on which such Subsidiary was acquired by the Company (other than Indebtedness Incurred in connection with, or to provide all or any portion of the funds or credit support utilized to consummate, the transaction or series of related transactions pursuant to which such Subsidiary became a Subsidiary or was acquired by the Company); provided, however, that on the date of such acquisition and after giving pro forma effect thereto, the Company would have been entitled to Incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to paragraph (a) of this covenant;
  - (6) Refinancing Indebtedness in respect of Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to paragraph (a) or pursuant to clause (3), (4) or (5) or this clause (6);
  - (7) Hedging Obligations directly related to Indebtedness permitted to be Incurred by the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries pursuant to the Indenture or entered into in the ordinary course of business and not for speculative purposes;

- (8) obligations in respect of performance, bid and surety bonds and completion guarantees provided by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business;
- (9) Indebtedness arising from the honoring by a bank or other financial institution of a check, draft or similar instrument drawn against insufficient funds in the ordinary course of business; *provided*, *however*, that such Indebtedness is extinguished within three Business Days of its Incurrence;
- (10) Indebtedness consisting of the Subsidiary Guarantee of a Subsidiary Guarantor and any Guarantee by the Company or a Subsidiary Guarantor of Indebtedness or other obligations of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary (other than Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to clause (5) above) so long as the Incurrence of such Indebtedness or other obligations by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary is permitted under the terms of the Indenture;
- (11)(A) Purchase Money Indebtedness, (B) Capital Lease Obligations and (C) Attributable Debt, and Refinancing Indebtedness in respect thereof, in an aggregate principal amount on the date of

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Incurrence that, when added to all other Indebtedness Incurred pursuant to this clause (11) and then outstanding, does not exceed 15% of Consolidated Tangible Assets, as determined based on the consolidated balance sheet of the Company as of the end of the most recent fiscal quarter ending at least 45 days prior thereto:

- (12) Indebtedness Incurred by a Receivables Entity in a Qualified Receivables Transaction;
- (13) Preferred Stock issued by any Restricted Subsidiary formed to operate a single health care facility; *provided* that the amount of such Preferred Stock, when added to the aggregate amount of all other such Preferred Stock of Restricted Subsidiaries then outstanding, does not exceed 1% of Consolidated Tangible Assets, as determined based on the consolidated balance sheet of the Company as of the end of the most recent fiscal quarter ending at least 45 days prior thereto; and
- (14) Indebtedness of the Company or of any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in an aggregate principal amount that, when taken together with all other Indebtedness of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries outstanding on the date of such Incurrence (other than Indebtedness permitted by clauses (1) through (13) above or paragraph (a)) does not exceed \$250 million.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, neither the Company nor any Subsidiary Guarantor will incur any Indebtedness pursuant to the foregoing paragraph (b) if the proceeds thereof are used, directly or indirectly, to Refinance any Subordinated Obligations of the Company or any Subsidiary Guarantor unless such Indebtedness shall be subordinated to the Notes or the applicable Subsidiary Guarantee to at least the same extent as such Subordinated Obligations.
- (d) For purposes of determining compliance with this covenant:
  - (1) all Indebtedness outstanding under the Credit Agreement on the Issue Date will be treated as Incurred under clause (1) of paragraph (b) above;
  - (2) in the event that an item of Indebtedness (or any portion thereof) meets the criteria of more than one of the types of Indebtedness described above, the Company, in its sole discretion, will classify such item of Indebtedness (or any portion thereof) at the time of Incurrence and will only be required to include the amount and type of such Indebtedness in one of the above clauses (*provided* that any Indebtedness originally classified as Incurred pursuant to any of clauses (b)(2) through (b) (14) above may later be reclassified as having been Incurred pursuant to paragraph (a) or any other of clauses (b)(2) through (b)(14) above to the extent that such reclassified Indebtedness could be Incurred pursuant to paragraph (a) or one of clauses (b)(2) through (b)(14) above, as the case may be, if it were Incurred at the time of such reclassification); and
  - (3) the Company will be entitled to divide and classify an item of Indebtedness in more than one of the types of Indebtedness described above.

### Limitation on Restricted Payments

- (a) The Company will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary, directly or indirectly, to make a Restricted Payment if at the time the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary makes such Restricted Payment:
  - (1) a Default shall have occurred and be continuing (or would result therefrom);
  - (2) the Company is not entitled to Incur an additional \$1.00 of Indebtedness pursuant to paragraph (a) of the covenant described under Limitation on Indebtedness; or

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- (3) the aggregate amount of such Restricted Payment and all other Restricted Payments since the Issue Date would exceed the sum of (without duplication):
  - (A) 50% of the Consolidated Net Income accrued during the period (treated as one accounting period) from (and including) July 1, 2006 to the end of the most recent fiscal quarter ending at least 45 days prior to the date of such Restricted Payment (or, in case such Consolidated Net Income shall be a deficit, minus 100% of such deficit); *plus*
  - (B) 100% of the aggregate Net Cash Proceeds received by the Company from the issuance or sale of its Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Stock) subsequent to the Issue Date (other than an issuance or sale to a Subsidiary of the Company and other than an issuance or sale to an employee stock ownership plan or to a trust established by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries for the benefit of their employees) and 100% of any cash capital contribution received by the Company from its shareholders subsequent to the Issue Date; *plus*
  - (C) the amount by which Indebtedness of the Company is reduced on the Company s balance sheet upon the conversion or exchange subsequent to the Issue Date of any Indebtedness of the Company convertible or exchangeable for Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Stock) of the Company (less the amount of any cash, or the fair value of any other property, distributed by the Company upon such conversion or exchange); *provided*, *however*, that the foregoing amount shall not exceed the Net Cash Proceeds received by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary from the sale of such Indebtedness (excluding Net Cash Proceeds from sales to a Subsidiary of the Company or to an employee stock ownership plan or to a trust established by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries for the benefit of their employees); *plus*
  - (D) an amount equal to the net reduction in the Investments (other than Permitted Investments) made by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in any Person resulting from repurchases, repayments or redemptions of such Investments by such Person, proceeds realized on the sale of such Investment and proceeds representing the return of capital (excluding dividends and distributions), in each case received by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary; *provided*, *however*, that the foregoing sum shall not exceed, in the case of any such Person, the amount of Investments (excluding Permitted Investments) previously made (and treated as a Restricted Payment) by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in such Person; *plus*
  - (E) in the case of the redesignation of an Unrestricted Subsidiary as a Restricted Subsidiary, the portion (proportionate to the Company's equity interest in such Subsidiary) of the Fair Market Value of the net assets of such Unrestricted Subsidiary at the time such Unrestricted Subsidiary is redesignated as a Restricted Subsidiary, except to the extent that the Investment in such Unrestricted Subsidiary was made by the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to clause (10) of the next succeeding paragraph or to the extent that such Investment constituted a Permitted Investment; *plus*

(F) \$50 million.

As of September 30, 2014, the amount available for Restricted Payments pursuant to clause (a)(3) would have been approximately \$519 million.

- (b) The preceding provisions will not prohibit:
  - (1) any Restricted Payment made out of the Net Cash Proceeds of the substantially concurrent sale of, or made by exchange for, Capital Stock of the Company (other than Disqualified Stock and other than Capital Stock issued or sold to a Subsidiary of the Company or an employee stock ownership plan or to a trust established by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries for the benefit of their employees) or a substantially concurrent cash capital contribution received by the Company from its shareholders; *provided*, *however*, that (A) such Restricted Payment shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments and (B) the Net Cash

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Proceeds from such sale or such cash capital contribution (to the extent so used for such Restricted Payment) shall be excluded in the calculation of amounts under clause (3)(B) of paragraph (a) above;

- (2) any purchase, repurchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value of Subordinated Obligations of the Company or a Subsidiary Guarantor made by exchange for, or out of the proceeds of the substantially concurrent incurrence of, Indebtedness of such Person that is permitted to be Incurred pursuant to the covenant described under Limitation on Indebtedness; *provided*, *however*, that such purchase, repurchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement for value shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;
- (3) dividends paid within 60 days after the date of declaration thereof if at such date of declaration such dividend would have complied with this covenant; *provided*, *however* that such dividend shall be included in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;
- (4) so long as no Default has occurred and is continuing, the purchase, redemption or other acquisition of shares of Capital Stock of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries from employees, former employees, directors or former directors of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries (or permitted transferees of such employees, former employees, directors or former directors), pursuant to the terms of the agreements (including employment agreements) or plans (or amendments thereto) approved or ratified by the Board of Directors under which such individuals purchase or sell, or are granted the option to purchase or sell, shares of such Capital Stock; provided, however, that the aggregate amount of such Restricted Payments (excluding amounts representing cancelation of Indebtedness) shall not exceed \$5,000,000 in any calendar year (provided that (A) if the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries make less than \$5,000,000 in the aggregate of such Restricted Payments in any calendar year, the unused amount for such calendar year may be carried over to the next succeeding calendar year (but not any other calendar year thereafter) and (B) the amount payable in any calendar year may be increased by an amount up to the sum of (i) the amount of cash proceeds from the sale of Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Stock) of the Company to employees, former employees, directors or former directors of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, to the extent that the cash proceeds from the sale of such Capital Stock have not otherwise been applied to the payment of Restricted Payments by virtue of clause (3)(B) of paragraph (a) of this covenant, plus (ii) the cash proceeds of key man life insurance policies received by the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries after the Issue Date, less (iii) the amount of repurchases and other acquisitions previously made with the cash proceeds described in clauses (i) and (ii) above); provided, further, however, that (x) such repurchases and other acquisitions shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments and (y) cash proceeds referred to in clause (B)(i) above used to make Restricted Payments under this clause (4) shall be excluded in the calculation of amounts under clause (3)(B) of paragraph (a) above;
- (5) (A) the declaration and payment of dividends on the Convertible Preferred Stock, and other cash payments at any time to reduce any accretion in the liquidation preference resulting from previously unpaid dividends on the Convertible Preferred Stock, in each case in accordance with the terms thereof in effect on the Issue Date and (B) the declaration and payments of dividends on Disqualified Stock issued pursuant to the covenant described under Limitation on Indebtedness; *provided*, *however*, in each case, that at the time of payment of such dividend or other cash payment, no Default shall have occurred and be continuing (or result therefrom); *provided*, *further*, *however*, that dividends and cash payments referred to in this clause (5) shall be excluded

in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;

(6) repurchases of Capital Stock deemed to occur upon exercise of stock options if such Capital Stock represents a portion of the exercise price of such options; *provided*, *however*, that such Restricted Payments shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;

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- (7) cash payments in lieu of the issuance of fractional shares in connection with the exercise of warrants, options or other securities convertible into or exchangeable for Capital Stock of the Company; *provided*, *however*, that any such cash payment shall not be for the purpose of evading the limitation of the covenant described under this subheading; *provided*, *further*, *however*, that such payments shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;
- (8) in the event of a Change of Control, and if no Default shall have occurred and be continuing, the payment, purchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement of Subordinated Obligations of the Company or any Subsidiary Guarantor, in each case, at a purchase price not greater than 101% of the principal amount of such Subordinated Obligations, plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon; *provided*, *however*, that prior to such payment, purchase, redemption, defeasance or other acquisition or retirement, the Company (or a third party to the extent permitted by the Indenture) has made a Change of Control Offer with respect to the Notes as a result of such Change of Control and has repurchased all Notes validly tendered and not withdrawn in connection with such Change of Control Offer; *provided*, *further*, *however*, that such payments, purchases, redemptions, defeasances or other acquisitions or retirements shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments;
- (9) payments of intercompany subordinated Indebtedness, the Incurrence of which was permitted under clause (2) of paragraph (b) of the covenant described under Limitation on Indebtedness; *provided*, *however*, that no Default has occurred and is continuing or would otherwise result therefrom; *provided*, *further*, *however*, that such payments shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments; or
- (10) Restricted Payments in an amount that, when taken together with all Restricted Payments made pursuant to this clause (10), does not exceed \$100 million; *provided*, *however*, that (A) at the time of each such Restricted Payment, no Default shall have occurred and be continuing (or result therefrom) and (B) such Restricted Payments shall be excluded in the calculation of the amount of Restricted Payments.

The amount of any Restricted Payment that is not made in cash shall be determined in a manner consistent with the determination of the amount of an Investment as set forth in the final sentence of the first paragraph of the definition of Investment.

### Limitation on Restrictions on Distributions from Restricted Subsidiaries

The Company will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, create or otherwise cause or permit to exist or become effective any consensual encumbrance or restriction on the ability of any Restricted Subsidiary to (a) pay dividends or make any other distributions on its Capital Stock to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary or pay any Indebtedness owed to the Company, (b) make any loans or advances to the Company or (c) transfer any of its property or assets to the Company, except:

- (1) with respect to clauses (a), (b) and (c),
  - (A) any encumbrance or restriction pursuant to applicable law, rule, regulation or order or an agreement in effect at or entered into on the Issue Date;

(B) any encumbrance or restriction with respect to a Restricted Subsidiary pursuant to an agreement relating to any Indebtedness Incurred by such Restricted Subsidiary on or prior to the date on which such Restricted Subsidiary was acquired by the Company (other than Indebtedness Incurred as consideration in, or to provide all or any portion of the funds or credit support utilized to consummate, the transaction or series of related transactions pursuant to which such Restricted Subsidiary became a Restricted Subsidiary or was acquired by the Company) and outstanding on such date;

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- (C) any encumbrance or restriction pursuant to any amendment, modification, restatement, renewal, increase, supplement, refunding, replacement or refinancing of an agreement referred to in clause (A) or (B) above; *provided*, *however*, that such amendment, modification, restatement, renewal, increase, supplement, refunding, replacement or refinancing is no more restrictive, as reasonably determined by the Company, with respect to such encumbrances and other restrictions taken as a whole than those prior to such amendment, modification, restatement, renewal, increase, supplement, refunding, replacement or refinancing;
- (D) any encumbrance or restriction with respect to a Restricted Subsidiary imposed pursuant to an agreement entered into for the sale or disposition of all or substantially all the Capital Stock or assets of such Restricted Subsidiary pending the closing of such sale or disposition;
- (E) restrictions on cash or other deposits or net worth imposed by customers under contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business;
- (F) any limitation or prohibition on the disposition or distribution of assets or property in joint venture agreements, asset sale agreements, stock sale agreements and other similar agreements, which limitation or prohibition is applicable only to the assets that are the subject of such agreements;
- (G) any encumbrance or restriction existing under or by reason of contractual requirements of a Receivables Entity in connection with a Qualified Receivables Transaction, *provided* that such restrictions apply only to such Receivables Entity;
- (H) any encumbrance or restriction arising in the ordinary course of business, not relating to any Indebtedness, that does not, individually or in the aggregate, materially detract from the value of the property or assets of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries, taken as whole, or adversely affect the Company s ability to make principal and interest payments on the Notes, in each case, as determined in good faith by the Company; and
- (b) with respect to clause (c) only,
  - (A) any encumbrance or restriction consisting of customary nonassignment provisions in leases governing leasehold interests to the extent such provisions restrict the transfer of the lease or the property leased thereunder; and
  - (B) any encumbrance or restriction contained in Capital Lease Obligations, any agreement governing Purchase Money Indebtedness, security agreements or mortgages securing Indebtedness of a Restricted Subsidiary to the extent such encumbrance or restriction restricts the transfer of the property subject to such Capital Lease Obligations, Purchase Money Indebtedness, security agreements or mortgages.

Limitation on Sales of Assets and Subsidiary Stock

- (a) The Company will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, consummate any Asset Disposition unless:
  - (1) the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary receives consideration at the time of such Asset Disposition at least equal to the Fair Market Value (including as to the value of all non-cash consideration) of the shares and assets subject to such Asset Disposition;
  - (2) at least 75% of the consideration thereof received by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary is in the form of cash or cash equivalents; and

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- (3) an amount equal to 100% of the Net Available Cash from such Asset Disposition, other than any Asset Disposition that constitutes a Syndication or a resyndication transaction in the ordinary course of business,
  - (A) to the extent the Company elects (or is required by the terms of any Indebtedness), to prepay, repay, redeem or purchase Senior Indebtedness of the Company or a Subsidiary Guarantor or Indebtedness (other than any Disqualified Stock) of a Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Subsidiary Guarantor (in each case other than Indebtedness owed to the Company or an Affiliate of the Company) within one year from the later of the date of such Asset Disposition or the receipt of such Net Available Cash;
  - (B) to the extent the Company elects (including with respect to the balance of such Net Available Cash after application (if any) in accordance with clause (A)), to acquire Additional Assets within one year from the later of the date of such Asset Disposition or the receipt of such Net Available Cash; and
- (C) to the extent of the balance of such Net Available Cash after application (if any) in accordance with clauses (A) and (B), to make an offer to the holders of the Notes (and to holders of other Senior Indebtedness of the Company) designated by the Company) to purchase Notes (and such other Senior Indebtedness of the Company) pursuant to and subject to the conditions contained in the Indenture; provided, however, that in connection with any prepayment, repayment or purchase of Indebtedness made to satisfy clause (A) or (C) above, the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary shall permanently retire such Indebtedness and shall cause the related loan commitment (if any) to be permanently reduced in an amount equal to the principal amount so prepaid, repaid or purchased.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this covenant, the Company and the Restricted Subsidiaries will not be required to apply any Net Available Cash in accordance with this covenant except to the extent that the aggregate Net Available Cash from all Asset Dispositions which is not applied in accordance with this covenant exceeds \$50 million. Pending application of Net Available Cash pursuant to this covenant, such Net Available Cash shall be invested in Temporary Cash Investments or applied to temporarily reduce revolving credit indebtedness.

For the purposes of this covenant, the following are deemed to be cash or cash equivalents:

- (1) the assumption or discharge of any liabilities (as shown on the Company s or such Restricted Subsidiary s most recent balance sheet or in the footnotes thereto) of the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary (other than liabilities that are by their terms subordinated to the Notes) that are assumed by the transferee of such assets and for which the Company and all of the Restricted Subsidiaries have been released by all creditors in writing;
- (2) securities received by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary from the transferee that are converted by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary within 180 days into cash, to the extent of cash received in that conversion;
- (3) all Temporary Cash Investments; and

- (4) any Designated Noncash Consideration having an aggregate Fair Market Value that, when taken together with all other Designated Noncash Consideration previously received and then outstanding, does not exceed at the time of the receipt of such Designated Noncash Consideration (with the Fair Market Value of each item of Designated Noncash Consideration being measured at the time received and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value) \$30 million.
- (b) In the event of an Asset Disposition that requires the purchase of Notes (and other Senior Indebtedness of the Company) pursuant to clause (a)(3)(C) above, the Company will purchase Notes tendered pursuant to an offer by the Company for the Notes (and such other Senior Indebtedness) at a purchase price of 100% of their principal amount (or, in the event such other Senior Indebtedness of the

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Company was issued with a significant original issue discount, 100% of the accreted value thereof) without premium, plus accrued but unpaid interest (or, in respect of such other Senior Indebtedness of the Company, such lesser price, if any, as may be provided for by the terms of such Senior Indebtedness) in accordance with the procedures (including prorating in the event of oversubscription) set forth in the Indenture. If the aggregate purchase price of the securities tendered exceeds the Net Available Cash allotted to their purchase, the Company will select the securities to be purchased on a *pro rata* basis but in round denominations, which in the case of the Notes will be denominations of \$2,000 principal amount or any greater integral multiple of \$1,000. The Company shall not be required to make such an offer to purchase Notes (and other Senior Indebtedness of the Company) pursuant to this covenant if the Net Available Cash available therefor is less than \$20 million (which lesser amount shall be carried forward for purposes of determining whether such an offer is required with respect to the Net Available Cash from any subsequent Asset Disposition). Upon completion of such an offer to purchase, Net Available Cash will be deemed to be reduced by the aggregate amount of such offer.

(c) The Company will comply, to the extent applicable, with the requirements of Section 14(e) of the Exchange Act and any other securities laws or regulations in connection with the repurchase of Notes pursuant to this covenant. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with provisions of this covenant, the Company will comply with the applicable securities laws and regulations and will not be deemed to have breached its obligations under this covenant by virtue of its compliance with such securities laws or regulations.

### Limitation on Affiliate Transactions

- (a) The Company will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, enter into or permit to exist any transaction (including the purchase, sale, lease or exchange of any property, employee compensation arrangements or the rendering of any service) with, or for the benefit of, any Affiliate of the Company (an *Affiliate Transaction*) unless:
  - (1) the terms of the Affiliate Transaction are no less favorable to the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary than those that could be obtained at the time of the Affiliate Transaction in arm s-length dealings with a Person who is not an Affiliate;
  - (2) if such Affiliate Transaction involves an amount in excess of \$10 million, the terms of the Affiliate Transaction are set forth in writing and a majority of the non-employee directors of the Company disinterested with respect to such Affiliate Transaction have determined in good faith that the criteria set forth in clause (1) are satisfied and have approved the relevant Affiliate transaction as evidenced by a resolution of the Board of Directors; and
  - (3) if such Affiliate Transaction involves an amount in excess of \$50 million, the Board of Directors shall also have received a written opinion from an Independent Qualified Party to the effect that such Affiliate Transaction is fair, from a financial standpoint, to the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries or is not less favorable to the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries than could reasonably be expected to be obtained at the time in an arm s-length transaction with a Person who was not an Affiliate.

(b) The provisions of the preceding paragraph (a) will not prohibit:

- (1) any Investment (other than a Permitted Investment) or other Restricted Payment, in each case permitted to be made pursuant to the covenant described under Limitation on Restricted Payments;
- (2) any employment or consulting agreement, employee benefit plan, officer or director indemnification agreement or any similar arrangement entered into by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business or approved by the Board of Directors, and payments pursuant thereto;

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- (3) loans or advances to employees in the ordinary course of business of the Company or its Restricted Subsidiaries, but in any event not to exceed \$10 million in the aggregate outstanding at any one time;
- (4) the payment of reasonable fees or other reasonable compensation to, or the provision of customary benefits or indemnification arrangements to, directors of the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries;
- (5) any transaction with the Company, a Restricted Subsidiary or any Person that would constitute an Affiliate Transaction solely because the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary owns an equity interest in or otherwise controls such Restricted Subsidiary or Person;
- (6) the issuance or sale of any Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Stock) of the Company;
- (7) any agreement as in effect on the Issue Date and described in the Prospectus Supplement dated September 6, 2012 and used in connection with the offering of the Initial Notes (or described in a document incorporated by reference in such Prospectus Supplement) or any renewals or extensions of any such agreement (so long as such renewals or extensions are not less favorable in any material respect to the Company or the Restricted Subsidiaries) and the transactions evidenced thereby;
- (8) the provision of services to directors or officers of the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of the nature provided by the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to customers in the ordinary course of business; and
- (9) transactions effected as a part of a Qualified Receivables Transaction.

### Limitation on Liens

The Company will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, Incur or permit to exist any Lien (the *Initial Lien*) of any nature whatsoever on any of its properties (including Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary), whether owned at the Issue Date or thereafter acquired, securing any Indebtedness, other than Permitted Liens, without effectively providing that the Notes shall be secured equally and ratably with (or prior to) the obligations so secured for so long as such obligations are so secured.

Any Lien created for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes pursuant to the preceding sentence shall provide by its terms that such Lien shall be automatically and unconditionally released and discharged upon the release and discharge of the Initial Lien.

#### Limitation on Sale/Leaseback Transactions

The Company will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, enter into any Sale/Leaseback Transaction with respect to any property unless:

- (1) the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary would be entitled to (A) Incur Indebtedness in an amount equal to the Attributable Debt with respect to such Sale/Leaseback Transaction pursuant to the covenant described under Limitation on Indebtedness and (B) create a Lien on such property securing such Attributable Debt without equally and ratably securing the Notes pursuant to the covenant described under Limitation on Liens;
- (2) the gross proceeds received by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in connection with such Sale/Leaseback Transaction are at least equal to the Fair Market Value of such property; and
- (3) the Company applies the proceeds of such transaction in compliance with the covenant described under Limitation on Sale of Assets and Subsidiary Stock.

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## Merger and Consolidation

The Company will not consolidate with or merge with or into, or convey, transfer or lease, in one transaction or a series of transactions, directly or indirectly, all or substantially all its assets to, any Person, unless:

- (1) the resulting, surviving or transferee Person (the *Successor Company*) shall be a Person organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, any State thereof or the District of Columbia and the Successor Company (if not the Company) shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental thereto, executed and delivered to the Trustee, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, all the obligations of the Company under the Notes and the Indenture;
- (2) immediately after giving *pro forma* effect to such transaction (and treating any Indebtedness which becomes an obligation of the Successor Company or any Subsidiary as a result of such transaction as having been Incurred by such Successor Company or such Subsidiary at the time of such transaction), no Default shall have occurred and be continuing;

(3)