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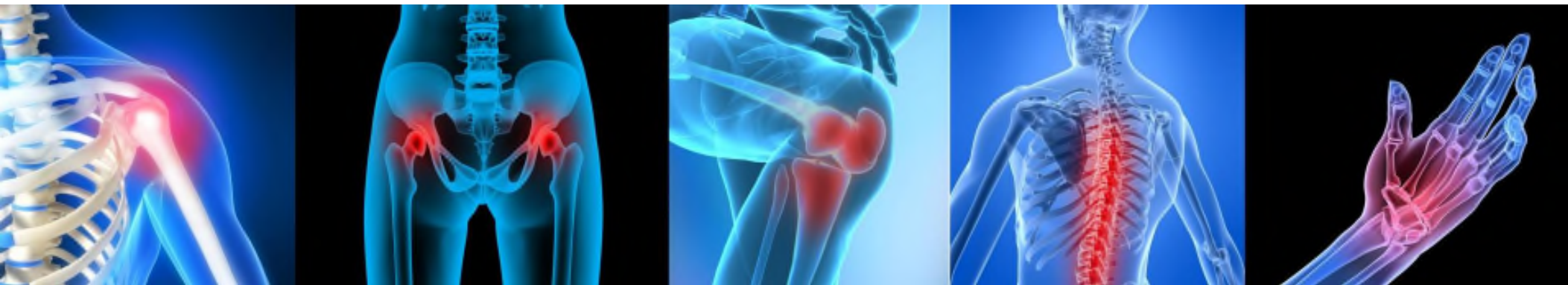


The Future of Health Care: Physician Practices and Private Equity Investments

Orthopedic Practices:

The Newest Focus of Private Equity Investment

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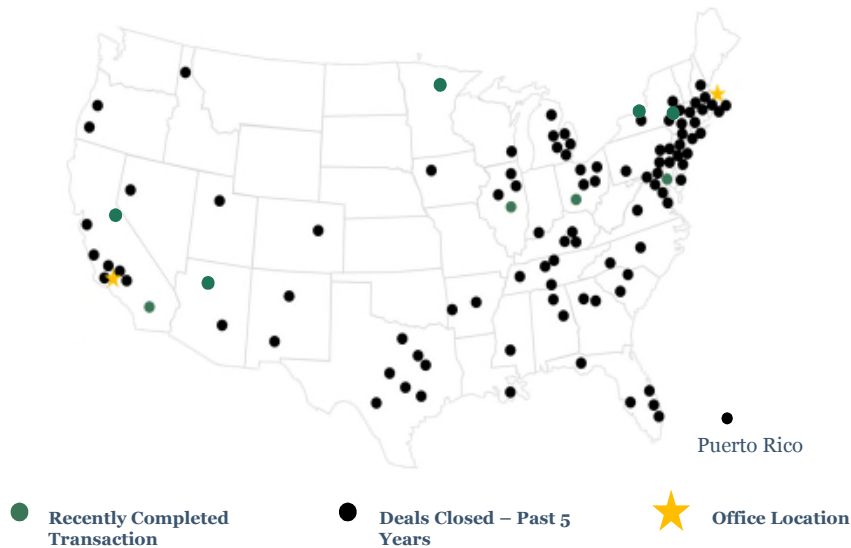
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- An established track record as one of the most active healthcare investment banks in the country
- Has emerged as an industry leading advisor to physician groups
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- Focus on sell-side mandates resulting in the best long-term partnerships

Firm Overview

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24 Landmark Deals Per Year

168 Physician Deals Closed Since 2014

14 Offices Across the Country

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120 Health Care Attorneys

70 Health Care Transactions Attorneys

- Supported by a deep multi-disciplinary team of healthcare regulatory, antitrust, reimbursement, tax, employment, benefits & real estate attorneys to assist in due diligence and all aspects of preparing groups for transactions and closings.
- Ranked among the top 10 firms in the 2017 *Modern Healthcare* "Largest Healthcare Law Firms" list.
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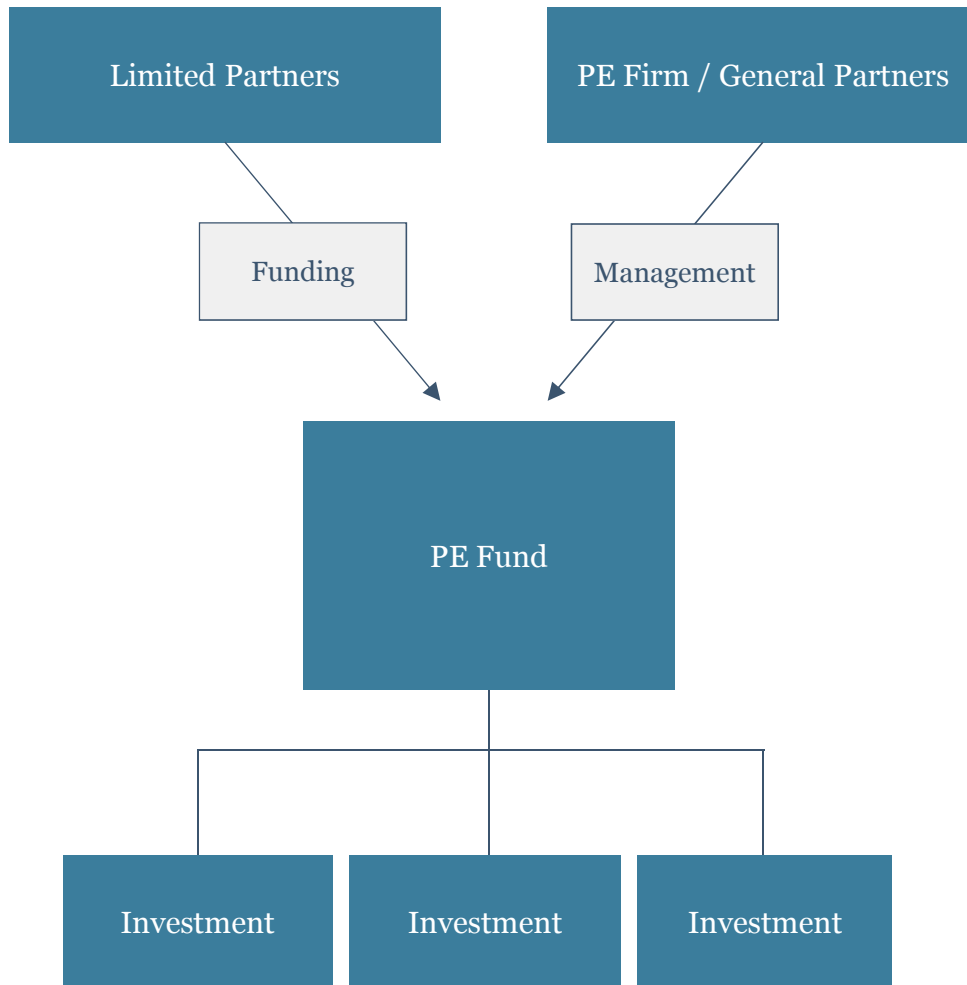
Goals of the Presentation





What is Private Equity?

Private Equity Structure



Overview of a PE Fund

Private Equity

- Investors and funds that seek to make direct equity investments in privately-owned organizations
- Add value by growing organically, acquiring more companies, improving operations, and optimizing the capital structure

Limited Partners (LPs)

- Passive investors in private equity funds
- Includes: institutional investors, pension funds, endowment funds, and high net worth individuals
- Expect a high return; often higher than attainable in public markets

PE Firm / General Partners (GPs)

- Group of managers that raise money for individual funds and manage the funds and investments
- Paid from:
 - Carried interest: a percentage of returns when an investment is sold (commonly 20%)
 - Management fees: a percentage fee applied to the total funds invested by the LPs

Overview of Private Equity Funds

Overview of a PE Fund

Investments

- Funds make investments in privately owned companies that fit their experience and align with their thesis, which includes aspects such as:
 - Size
 - Industry
 - Geography
 - Timeline

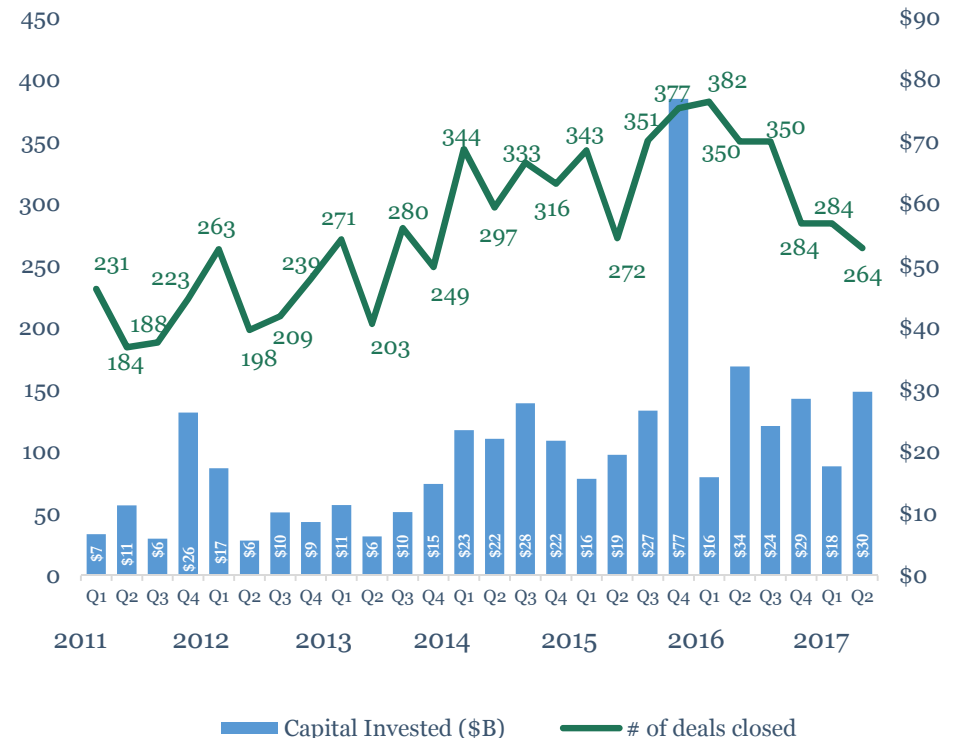
Investment Management

- Private equity groups operate on a 10 year lifespan; they spend the first 5 years making investments and the last 5 years exiting investments
- GPs commonly focus on helping companies grow through high level strategy, not day to day management
- Private equity groups understand the importance of aligning with physicians as they are the revenue generators of the business
- Owners are often required to retain a percentage of equity and be active in day to day operations
- Funds plan to exit investments after a set period (commonly 3-7 years)

Goals

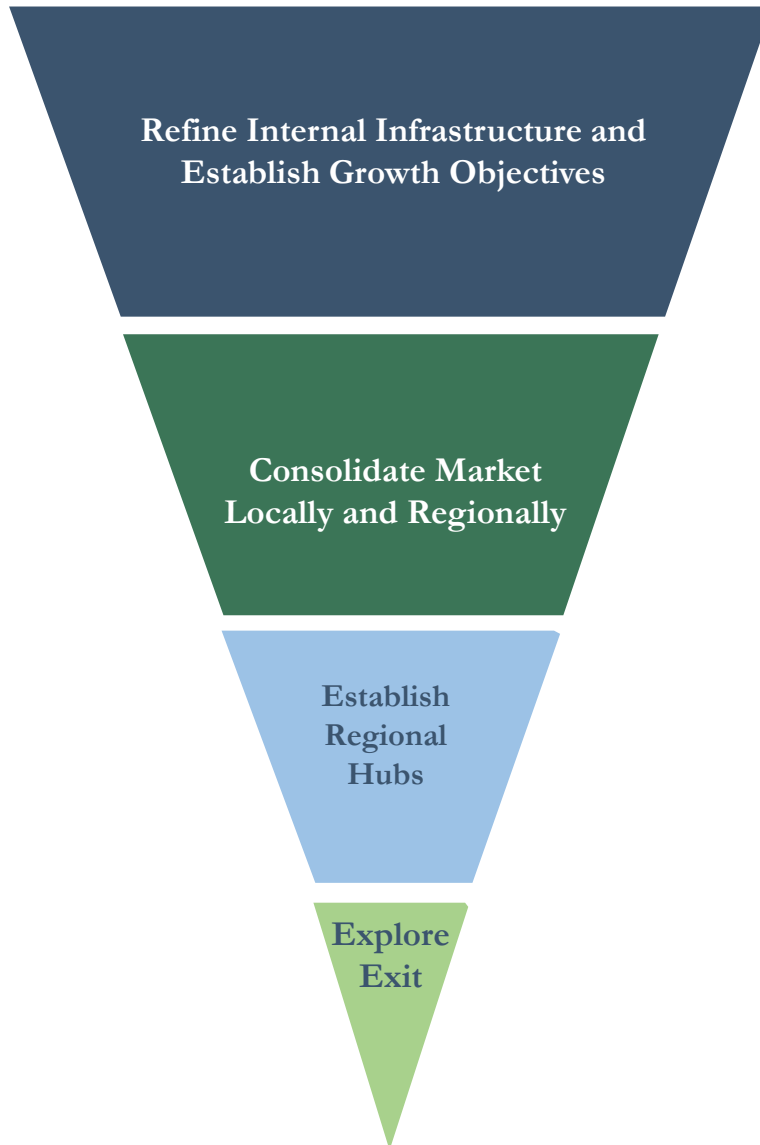
- Funds aim to make a return on their equity (often about 3-4x)
- High returns lead to income for the GPs and in improved ability to raise funds for their next fund

Healthcare PE Deal Flow by Quarter



Private Equity Investment Strategy

Strategic Initiatives Leading to Growth



How Equity Value Appreciates

Increase
Synergies

Bolster
Management
Team

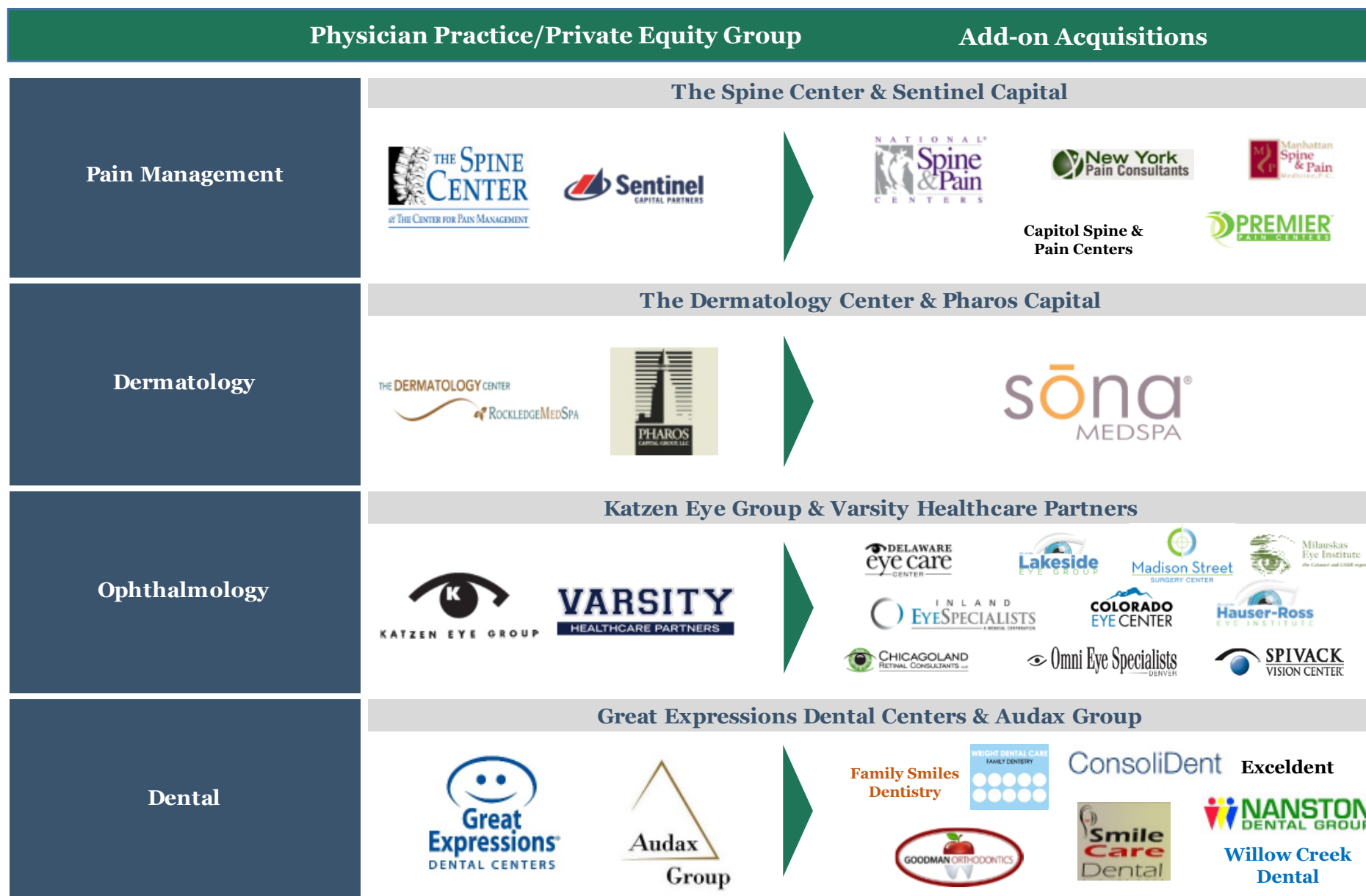
Expand
Ancillaries

Multiple
Arbitrage

Risk-Based
Contracting

Add On
Acquisitions

Private Equity “Roll Up” Successes





A Market Positioned for Growth

Orthopedic Care

Growth Drivers

Growing Insured Population and Patient Base

- Growing in 65+ year old population
- Increase in insured US population
- Increase in chronic conditions including obesity and arthritis

Shift to Outpatient Care Settings

- Expansion of approved procedures by CMS

Transition to Value-Based Reimbursement

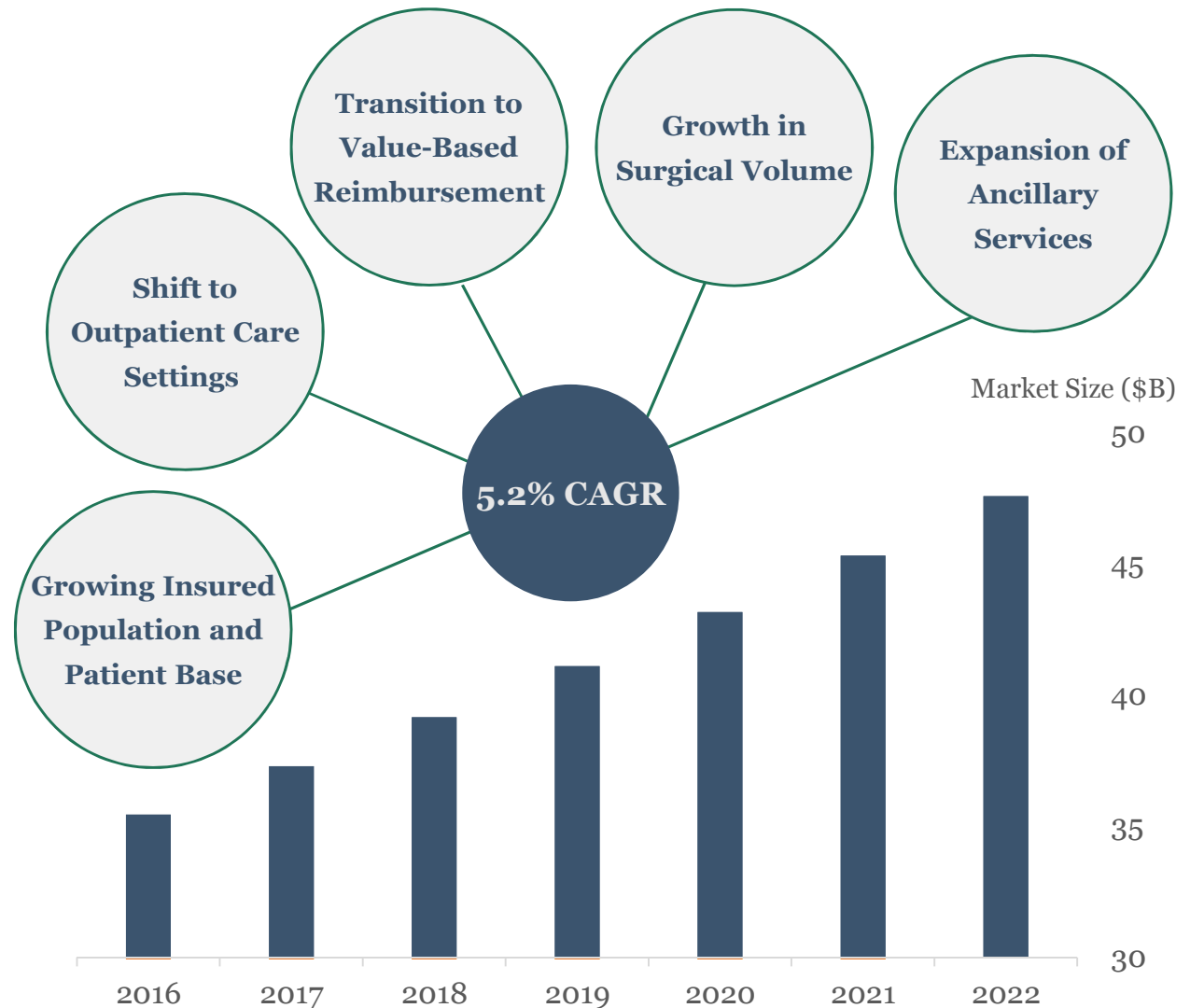
- Cost advantages of outpatient care are amplified by the need for efficient patient management

Growth in Surgical Volume

- Increasing total procedures
- Increasing stress on inpatient locations

Expansion of Ancillary Services

- Additional revenue
- Stronger referral sources



Replicate Success in Other Specialties

Beginning with significant investment into the dental space in the late 90's, private equity groups have experienced years of success in multisite, provider based business.

Private equity groups are looking to replicate the successes they experienced in other physician specialties such as dermatology and ophthalmology as orthopedics shares a number of similar traits to those specialties.

Sector	Investment Date	Platform Practice	Private Equity Group	Current Private Equity Portfolio Companies
Dental	1996		 SUMMIT PARTNERS	35
Pain Management	2008		 EXCELLERE PARTNERS <i>Strive for Excellence</i>	6
Dermatology	2011			21
Ophthalmology	2014		 CANDESCENT PARTNERS	11
Gastroenterology	2016			1
Urology	2016			1
OB/GYN	2017			1
Orthopedics	2017		 CANDESCENT PARTNERS	1

* Provident represented the selling shareholders in these transactions



Transaction Structure and Considerations

How Private Equity Deals Are Structured

Most Common Private Equity Structure

A Multiple of “EBITDA”	Minority Vs. Majority	“Roll Over Equity”	Flexibility
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transactions with private equity groups will be based on the ADJUSTED EBITDA of the group* The valuation for a group will be determined based on the multiples of ‘EBTIDA’ a buyer is willing to pay Example: \$5million EBITDA at a 8x multiple is a \$40 million valuation The exact multiple a private equity group is willing to pay is dependent on a number of factors including (but not limited to): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Size Ancillaries Geography Growth <i>*Adj. EBITDA explained on following slide</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are two types of private equity deals: Minority or Majority A minority deal is equal to less than 50% sale. The vast majority of deals will be a majority sale Most commonly, a deal will be anywhere between 60 – 80 % sold equity By pursuing a minority partner, a practice limits the number of PE groups that would be interested as most funds look to make a majority investment There is a valuation premium for a majority transaction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any physician practice transaction with a private equity group will involve roll over equity Private equity groups want physician shareholders to maintain a significant ownership in the business moving forward Most commonly anywhere from 20 – 40 % Allows private equity group to ensure physicians are tied to the business Allows physicians to participate in upside of business growth in future 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no two transactions exactly alike Private equity groups are willing to get flexible to meet the needs and goals of the right group The exact equity split can reflect the goals of the group “Earn Outs” structured in to reward a group’s prior investment in growth Most deals feature significant cash at close, no claw backs, no contingency clauses, no benchmarks, etc. Physicians maintain control of daily clinical decisions

EBITDA Explained

EBITDA Overview

Accounting

EBITDA is the earnings of a business before interest expense, taxes, depreciation and amortization

- Interest is added back due to the assumption that the company will pay off any debt in a transaction
- Taxes are added back due to the change in tax structure as a result of the transaction
- Depreciation and amortization are added back due to the non-cash nature of those expenses

Deal Process

EBITDA is a proxy for cash flow

- A private equity firm's offer for total purchase price will typically be a **multiple of Adjusted EBITDA**
- **Adjusted EBITDA** provides a buyer with a normalized representation of the cash flow by adding back:
 - One-time nonrecurring expenses
 - Expenses varying from the market rate (salaries, rent, etc.)
 - Discretionary, non-business expenses of the shareholders

Visualization of EBITDA in a Deal Process

Revenue	\$10	<i>Add Backs to EBITDA</i>	
Expenses	\$9	Normalized compensation	\$3
Net Income	\$1	One-time expenses	\$0.50
<i>EBITDA Calculation:</i>		Discretionary expenses	\$0.20
Interest	\$0.50	Other Income	\$0.10
Depreciation and amortization	\$0.25	Adjusted EBITDA	\$5.65
Tax	\$0.10	<i>Purchase Multiple</i>	8x
EBITDA	\$1.85	Purchase Price	\$45.2

**All figures in Millions*

Implications of Adjusted EBITDA

Purchase Price

- Purchase price is calculated from Adjusted EBITDA and the purchase multiple, so an increase in Adjusted EBITDA will therefore increase the purchase price

Increasing Adjusted EBITDA using Add Backs

- Some add backs may result in a decrease in shareholder salary or discretionary expenses
- However, shareholders will benefit due to the increased value subject to the purchase multiple

Debt Capacity

- The amount of debt the a PE firm can use is based on a multiple of Adjusted EBITDA

Transaction Motivations

Business Considerations

Access to Capital

- Acquisitions to expand geographic reach & potentially diversify service lines
- Investments in infrastructure needed to grow:
 - Information technology/billing
 - Hiring supplemental management
 - Working capital for de novo growth

Resources of a Partnership

- Strengthen leverage for contract negotiations with payors
- Expertise needed to augment acquisitive growth strategy
- By increasing size and scale, the organization can improve access to care by offering greater sub-specialty expertise

Shareholder Considerations

Risk Mitigation

- Capital investments and debt will no longer be personally guaranteed by shareholders
- Monetization of equity during a strong market reduces impact of potentially significant future valuation changes
- Operational and financial business risks due to uncontrollable outside influences will be diversified away from shareholders

Liquidity Events

- Large upfront cash payment to shareholders
- In a PE transaction, shareholders can retain a percentage of equity going forward, thus participating in the accelerated growth of the company
- The potential exists for a second, third, and even fourth liquidity event for those shareholders with longer career horizons

Pursuing a partnership (whether that be a private equity firm, strategic consolidator, payor, or health system) can provide an orthopedics practice with opportunities to drive growth by utilizing access to capital, key industry relationships, and expertise in creating efficient operations. These groups look to align with physician shareholders in order to develop strategies that collectively benefit the newly capitalized organization, and physicians are heavily involved in creating a shared vision for the organization's future.

Ideal Candidate for Private Equity

Private equity firms look to make initial investments into a specific industry through a “platform” investment. There are a limited number of groups in orthopedics that would qualify as a platform, providing limited opportunities for investors interested in the specialty. We have identified the following factors that can set groups apart from their peers and positively influence valuation from a qualitative perspective.

**Strong Internal
Infrastructure
(Billing, Finance,
IT, HR, etc.)**

**Ancillary Services
(E.g., Associated
ASC)**

**“In-Network” with
Major Payors**

**Strong Reputation
in Respective
Community**

**Patient-Centric
Focus & Positive
Outcomes Data**

**Investment in
Growth**

Diverse Payor Mix

**Strong
Management Team**

Choosing the Right Partner

Factors to Consider

Investment Approach & Strategy

Private equity firms have varied approaches; some are very hands-on, while others are more passive

Cultural Fit & Personality

When considering a transaction, philosophic fit is imperative and should be one of the main decision factors

Related Portfolio Company Experience

Groups that have experience with clinic-based healthcare sectors can bring more value to the investment

Average Return on Investment

Past investment returns in healthcare vary depending on the fund and are key to maximizing rollover equity

Relationships to Leverage

What value can they bring in terms of operating partners or potential executives?

Add-on Acquisition Pipeline

Have they had conversations with other potential add-on acquisitions in the orthopedics sector?

Conversation with References

Other portfolio company executives can speak to their experiences with the investor

Cross-Selling Opportunities

Do they have relationships with payors or hospitals that can be leveraged?

Major Considerations For Shareholders

	Newer Partners & Mid-Career	Late Career	All Partners
Rollover Equity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retain higher equity percentage Participate in multiple transactions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retain less equity Second liquidity event 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue as an owner Secondary liquidity events
Cash at Closing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retire any medical school debt Address other investments on hold 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diversify wealth before retirement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take “chips” off the table Multiple years of ordinary income at closing
Post-Closing Compensation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Productivity-based 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Structured based on desired role post-closing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Market-rate
Lifestyle Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on practicing medicine Less stress and risk as an owner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business development or CMO role if desired Potential board seat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on patient care, not governance Use an investor’s capital instead of personal guarantees



Top Health Care Regulatory Issues in Orthopedic Practice Transactions

Overview

1. Due Diligence Process.
2. Common Regulatory Issues in Orthopedic Transactions.
3. Preparing for Private Equity Transactions: Regulatory and Clean-Up.
4. Questions.

Overview of Diligence Process.

- What is “due diligence” and why is it important to buyers?
- Diligence requests ask for certain information and documents, such as:
 - Financial records (e.g., P/L statements, billing and claims A/R, etc.).
 - Organizational documents (e.g., certificates of incorporation, by-laws, shareholder or LLC member agreements).
 - Malpractice insurance coverage and claims.
 - Material contracts (e.g., insurance or managed care contracts, employment agreements, etc.,).
- How do buyers analyze the produced due diligence materials?
 - Successor liability.
 - Emphasis on compliance issues in health care billing and referral “arrangements.”
 - Impact on “sustainability” of revenues and practice reputation.

Common Regulatory Issues in Orthopedic Transactions.

- Coding and Billing
- Stark Law and Self-Referral Prohibitions
- Compensation, Investment and other Financial Arrangements
- Arrangements with Hospitals
- Compliance Program – Existence & Implementation

Common Regulatory Issues in Orthopedic Transactions.

Coding and Billing.

Common Billing and Coding Problems

- Documentation and Medical Necessity.
 - E.g., Joint Replacement (total knee or hip).
- Utilization Review and Comparison to Industry Norms.
 - Are procedures over-used as compared to industry norms?
- Upcoding.
 - E.g., Evaluation or management (“E/M”) coding.
- “Unbundling.”
 - E.g., Post-operative care.

Common Regulatory Issues in Orthopedic Transactions.

Coding and Billing.

Billing Problems Targeted in 2017

- Improper “incident-to” billing for services rendered by physician extenders, without adequate supervision.
- E/M codes pertaining to hospital consults that are not supported by documentation.
- Lack of documentation to support professional component for x-ray services.
- Durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics and supplies (“DMEPOS”) billed improperly or without adequate documentation to support necessity or the delivery of DMEPOS.
- Improper CPT codes used for physical therapy billing and lack of documentation.

Common Regulatory Issues in Orthopedic Transactions.

Stark Law and Self-Referral Prohibitions.

- Federal Stark Law and State Self-Referral Prohibitions.
 - **Physicians** may not make referrals for **DHS** to entities with which the physician (or an immediate family member) has a **financial interest**.
 - Bills may not be submitted by an **entity** if a referral violates the Stark Law.
 - **UNLESS** an exception applies.
- Certain exceptions are particularly available to a “Group Practice.”
 - e.g., In-office ancillary services (“IOAS”) and physician services exceptions.
 - Productivity bonuses should be based on personally performed services.
- “Group Practice” Definition – must meet multiple requirements.
- Payments from hospitals (and other referral recipients) require an exception.

Common Regulatory Issues in Orthopedic Transactions.

Stark Law and Self-Referral Prohibitions.

- Common Stark Law Diligence Concerns
 - Does the orthopedic practice rely on being a “group practice?”
 - E.g., for IOAS Exception
 - Does the practice meet the qualifications to be a “group practice?”
 - Does it meet the requirements for the exception?
 - If not, does another exception protect the arrangement(s)?
 - Potential liabilities?
 - Criminal, civil or monetary?
 - Sanctions or suspensions?

Common Regulatory Issues in Orthopedic Transactions.

Compensation, Investment and other Financial Arrangements.

- How are shareholders, employees and mid-level providers paid?
- Examining relationships with vendors, independent contractors, management or billing companies, hospitals and other referral recipients and sources.
 - In writing, signed, fair market value & commercially reasonable.
- Due Diligence Concerns
 - “Tainted Business”?
 - Liabilities?
 - Sustainability of revenues, profits and growth projections.

Common Regulatory Issues in Orthopedic Transactions.

Arrangements with Hospitals.

- Examples of hospital arrangements that warrant regulatory scrutiny:
 - Medical directorship (and other professional service arrangements).
 - Rental of space and equipment (both ways).
 - The provision of services for free or below “fair market value” (both ways).
- Other diligence concerns with hospital-orthopedic group relationships.
 - Restrictive covenants in contracts?
 - Change of control/assignment prohibitions?

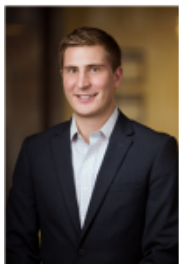
Compliance Program – Existence and Implementation

- Has the orthopedic group adopted and ***fully implemented*** a corporate compliance program?
 - Review of policies, procedures and compliance/risk management programs.
 - Is the compliance program functional?
- Past areas of concern and actions taken to remedy previous deficiencies.
- HIPAA privacy and security compliance?

Preparing for Private Equity Transactions: Regulatory and Clean-Up.

- Avoid issues during negotiations with investors by conducting pre-transaction assessments and “clean-up.”
- Detect and correct potential compliance and regulatory risks.
 - Monitoring and auditing with regulatory risk areas in mind.
 - Implement systems to ensure corrective action is working.
- Do not conceal potential compliance risks and violations in diligence!
 - NDA/Confidentiality Agreement/Common Interest Agreement.
 - Depending on the risk, the parties may address these problems with indemnification language and escrows and holdbacks.

Questions?



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