

Gastroenterology

Q3 2023

Market Update

Gastroenterology continues to be an active M&A sector within physician services as Q3-23 was characterized by continued add-on acquisitions from existing private equity-backed platforms.

The partnership with Blair Gastro and GI Specialists of Delaware by U.S. Digestive Health (USDH) reflects a strategic focus on geographic density that has become a pivotal driver of recent growth for major consolidators across the country. By strengthening its presence in Delaware and Central Pennsylvania, USDH has the ability to deliver meaningful income repair opportunities for its partnered practices. Gastro Health and GI Alliance's Q3 deals reflect a similar strategy as add-ons to larger practices in FL and CT, respectively.

As the industry continues to mature, Provident expects to see private equity-backed platforms continue to double-down on states and regions they are in, versus the initial strategy of planting a flag in various regions.

Provident Transaction

In August 2023, Blair Gastroenterology Associates (BGA) announced its partnership with U.S. Digestive Health, a portfolio company of Amulet Capital Partners. Provident served as Blair's exclusive financial advisor throughout this process.

BGA is a provider of GI services to residents of Central Pennsylvania. With seven physicians and 14 APPs, BGA provides a full range of services to its patients, as well as access to a state-of-theart ambulatory surgery center, Allegheny Regional Endoscopy.

BGA is the latest practice to join USDH's network of more than 250 GI physicians across 34 offices, 22 ambulatory surgery centers, and 4 clinical research sites.



August 2023

Select Transactions

| Month | Acquirer | Target | Physicians | Locations | State |
|-----------|------------------|---|------------|-----------|--------------|
| September | GASTRO | Gastroenterology Consultants Of Polk County | 1 | 1 | Florida |
| September | digestive health | GI SPECIALISTS Of Delaware | 3 | 3 | Delaware |
| August | digestive health | Blair Gastro * Gastroenterology Associates | 7 | 2 | Pennsylvania |
| July | GI Alliance | Coastal Digestive | 4 | 2 | Connecticut |

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