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THONBURI HEALTHCARE GROUP

THAILAND / HEALTH CARE SERVICES

THG TB

REDUCE

TARGET PRICE THB55.00
CLOSE THB66.25
UP/DOWNSIDE -17.0%
TP vs CONSENSUS +17.0%

2Q23 results at first glance

2Q23 core profit dropped by 39% q-q to THB128m

Highlights

- THG reported a 2Q23 core profit of THB128m (-67% y-y, -39% q-q). Core profit dropped y-y due to a decrease in Covid revenue, while the decrease q-q was due to a reduction in the number of room transfers for Jin Wellbeing and investment feasibility study costs.
- Revenue was flat q-q in 2Q23. Hospital revenue grew by 1% q-q, led by a higher non-Covid patient volume. Revenue from sales of Jin Wellbeing units decreased by 57% q-q as four residential units were transferred (vs nine units in 1Q23).
- COGS increased by 5% q-q, while SG&A increased by 3% q-q in 2Q23. As a result, the EBITDA margin declined to 21% (vs 26% in 1Q23).
- Share of profits from Ar Yu Hospital were relatively flat at THB15m in the quarter.
- Share profits from Ubonrak and Sirivej hospitals increased to THB33m (vs THB18m in 1Q23).

Outlook

 We expect operations to improve in 3Q23, which is the high healthcare season in Thailand.

KEY STOCK DATA

YE Dec (THB m)	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	11,540	12,317	13,141	13,939
Net profit	1,602	1,186	1,347	1,501
EPS (THB)	1.89	1.40	1.59	1.77
vs Consensus (%)	-	3.7	10.4	9.3
EBITDA	2,746	2,521	2,819	3,102
Recurring net profit	1,497	1,186	1,347	1,501
Core EPS (THB)	1.77	1.40	1.59	1.77
EPS growth (%)	20.3	(20.8)	13.6	11.4
Core P/E (x)	37.5	47.3	41.7	37.4
Dividend yield (%)	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.9
EV/EBITDA (x)	24.0	26.0	23.2	21.1
Price/book (x)	5.5	5.3	5.1	4.8
Net debt/Equity (%)	78.7	72.2	67.9	63.3
ROE (%)	15.5	11.4	12.4	13.2



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month
Absolute (%)	(0.7)	(2.9)	(1.1)
Relative to country (%)	(3.2)	(0.9)	4.5
Mkt cap (USD m)			1,601
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m)			1.8
Free float (%)			42
Major shareholder	Ramkham	haeng Hos	pital (22%)
12m high/low (THB)		7	8.00/61.75
Issued shares (m)			847.47

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



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Exhibit 1: THG – 2Q23 operations summary

	2Q22	3Q22	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23	Char	nge	2023E
	(THB m)	(q-q %)	(y-y %)	(THB m)				
Sales	2,674	2,954	2,382	2,508	2,515	0	(6)	12,317
COGS (incl depreciation)	(1,880)	(2,080)	(1,755)	(1,740)	(1,836)	5	(2)	(9,025)
Gross profit	793	875	627	768	679	(12)	(14)	3,292
SG&A	(403)	(460)	(437)	(441)	(453)	3	12	(1,863)
Operating profit	390	415	190	327	227	(31)	(42)	1,429
Net other income	67	130	94	45	30	(32)	(55)	326
Interest expense	(73)	(74)	(83)	(99)	(112)	13	52	(341)
Pretax profit	384	471	200	273	146	(47)	(62)	1,414
Income Tax	(65)	(107)	(3)	(55)	(41)	(25)	(37)	(283)
Associates income	36	35	23	18	33	79	(9)	145
JV income	42	(12)	20	14	15	5	(66)	
Minority interest	(14)	(15)	(21)	(38)	(24)	(38)	69	(90)
Core profit	384	372	219	212	128	(39)	(67)	1,186
Extraordinaries, GW & FX	14	67	19	(1)	(0)	(85)	(101)	0
Reported net profit	398	438	238	211	128	(39)	(68)	1,186
Outstanding shares (m)	849	849	847	847	847	0	(0)	849
Core EPS (THB)	0.47	0.52	0.28	0.25	0.15	(39)	(68)	1.40
COGS Excl depreciation	1,629	1,823	1,502	1,469	1,556	6	(5)	7,933
Depreciation	251	256	253	271	280	3	12	1,092
EBITDA	708	801	536	643	537	(16)	(24)	2,848
Key ratios	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(ppt)	(ppt)	(%
Gross margin	30	30	26	31	27	(4)	(3)	27
SG&A/Revenue	15	16	18	18	18	0	3	15
EBITDA margin	26	27	23	26	21	(4)	(5)	23
Net profit margin	15	15	10	8	5	(3)	(10)	10
Operating stats	(y-y %)	(y-y %)	(y-y %)	(y-y %)				
OPD revenue growth	16	17	(0)	12				
OPD visits growth	17	32	5	5				
OPD revenue per head growth	(1)	(11)	(5)	7				
IPD revenue growth	19	(6)	28	(2)				
IPD visits growth	53	56	23	(11)				
IPD revenue per head growth	(22)	(40)	4	10				

Sources: THG; FSSIA estimates

Financial Statements

Thonburi Healthcare Group

Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	10,847	11,540	12,317	13,141	13,939
Cost of goods sold	(7,406)	(8,054)	(9,025)	(9,610)	(10,155)
Gross profit	3,442	3,486	3,292	3,531	3,784
Other operating income	-	-	-	-	-
Operating costs	(1,571)	(1,745)	(1,863)	(1,919)	(1,986)
Operating EBITDA	2,814	2,746	2,521	2,819	3,102
Depreciation	(944)	(1,006)	(1,092)	(1,207)	(1,304)
Goodwill amortisation	-	-	-	-	-
Operating EBIT	1,870	1,740	1,429	1,612	1,798
Net financing costs	(299)	(305)	(341)	(341)	(341)
Associates	31	151	145	162	172
Recurring non-operating income	139	465	471	502	525
Non-recurring items	90	105	0	0	0
Profit before tax	1,801	2,005	1,558	1,772	1,982
Tax	(444)	(329)	(283)	(322)	(362)
Profit after tax	1,357	1,676	1,276	1,450	1,620
Minority interests	(19)	(75)	(90)	(103)	(119)
Preferred dividends	-	. ,	-	. ,	-
Other items	-	_	_	-	-
Reported net profit	1,337	1,602	1,186	1,347	1,501
Non-recurring items & goodwill (net)	(90)	(105)	0	0	0
Recurring net profit	1,247	1,497	1,186	1,347	1,501
Per share (THB)	,	, .	,		,,,,
Recurring EPS *	1.47	1.77	1.40	1.59	1.77
Reported EPS	1.58	1.89	1.40	1.59	1.77
DPS	0.90	0.90	0.98	1.11	1.24
Diluted shares (used to calculate per share data)	849	847	847	847	847
Growth	0.0				• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Revenue (%)	48.3	6.4	6.7	6.7	6.1
Operating EBITDA (%)	186.3	(2.4)	(8.2)	11.8	10.0
Operating EBIT (%)	1,096.3	(6.9)	(17.9)	12.8	11.5
Recurring EPS (%)	nm	20.3	(20.8)	13.6	11.4
Reported EPS (%)	2,042.4	20.0	(26.0)	13.6	11.4
Operating performance	2,0-121	20.0	(20.0)	10.0	111
Gross margin inc. depreciation (%)	31.7	30.2	26.7	26.9	27.1
	40.4	38.9	35.6	36.1	36.5
Gross margin exc. depreciation (%)					
Operating EBIT margin (%)	25.9	23.8	20.5	21.5	22.3 12.9
Operating EBIT margin (%)	17.2	15.1	11.6	12.3	
Net margin (%)	11.5	13.0	9.6	10.3	10.8
Effective tax rate (%)	26.4	18.8	20.0	20.0	20.0
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	61.3	51.0	70.0	70.0	70.0
Interest cover (X)	6.7	7.2	5.6	6.2	6.8
Inventory days	78.1	64.7	53.0	54.6	54.7
Debtor days	76.3	85.9	48.3	28.2	26.6
Creditor days	110.4	111.6	73.3	75.4	75.6
Operating ROIC (%)	8.3	8.3	6.5	7.2	7.8
ROIC (%)	7.8	9.0	7.3	8.1	8.7
ROE (%)	14.6	15.5	11.4	12.4	13.2
ROA (%) * Pre exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted	6.7	7.4	6.1	6.6	7.1
Revenue by Division (THB m)	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue from hospital operations	10,023	10,211	10,995	11,876	12,629
Revenue from sale of goods	301	284	316	332	349
Revenue from other services	425	601	592	629	658

Sources: Thonburi Healthcare Group; FSSIA estimates

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Thonburi Healthcare Group					
Cash Flow (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Recurring net profit	1,247	1,497	1,186	1,347	1,501
Depreciation	944	1,006	1,092	1,207	1,304
Associates & minorities	-	-	-	-	-
Other non-cash items	217	214	90	103	119
Change in working capital	780	(211)	1,227	(33)	(32)
Cash flow from operations Capex - maintenance	3,188 (1,821)	2,506 (1,951)	3,595	2,625 (1,590)	2,891
Capex - new investment	(1,021)	(1,951)	(2,316)	(1,590)	(1,688)
Net acquisitions & disposals	(590)	(243)	0	0	0
Other investments (net)	-	-	-	-	-
Cash flow from investing	(2,411)	(2,194)	(2,316)	(1,590)	(1,688)
Dividends paid	(252)	(758)	(763)	(830)	(943)
Equity finance	6	27	(35)	0	0
Debt finance	301 154	1,002 520	0 (63)	(73)	(03)
Other financing cash flows Cash flow from financing	210	7 92	(860)	(72) (902)	(83) (1,026)
Non-recurring cash flows		-	-	-	(1,525)
Other adjustments	0	0	0	0	0
Net other adjustments	0	0	0	0	0
Movement in cash	987	1,104	418	133	177
Free cash flow to firm (FCFF)	1,076.11	616.83	1,619.72	1,376.27	1,544.62
Free cash flow to equity (FCFE)	1,232.57	1,834.70	1,215.54	962.66	1,120.17
Per share (THB)					
FCFF per share	1.27	0.73	1.91	1.62	1.82
FCFE per share Recurring cash flow per share	1.45 2.84	2.16 3.21	1.43 2.79	1.14 3.14	1.32 3.45
Trecurring cash now per share	2.04	3.Z I	2.13	0.14	0.40
Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Tangible fixed assets (gross)	20,176	22,487	24,804	26,394	28,081
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(6,106)	(7,455)	(8,548)	(9,755)	(11,059)
Tangible fixed assets (net)	14,069 0	15,032 0	16,256 0	16,639 0	17,023 0
Intangible fixed assets (net) Long-term financial assets	-	-	-	-	-
Invest. in associates & subsidiaries	2,572	2,815	2,815	2,815	2,815
Cash & equivalents	1,482	2,586	3,004	3,137	3,314
A/C receivable	3,183	2,246	1,014	1,014	1,014
Inventories	1,416	1,084	1,220	1,292	1,361
Other current assets	937	1,092	1,166	1,244	1,319
Current assets Other assets	7,018 139	7,008 225	6,404 225	6,687 225	7,009 225
Total assets	23,799	25,081	25,701	26,366	27,072
Common equity	9,147	10,178	10,567	11,084	11,642
Minorities etc.	471	998	1,025	1,056	1,091
Total shareholders' equity	9,618	11,176	11,592	12,139	12,733
Long term debt	6,399	6,852	6,852	6,852	6,852
Other long-term liabilities	737	784 7.635	784 7.635	784 7.625	784
Long-term liabilities A/C payable	7,136 2,813	7,635 1,498	7,635 1,686	7,635 1,786	7,635 1,882
Short term debt	3,976	4,525	4,525	4,525	4,525
Other current liabilities	257	246	262	280	297
Current liabilities	7,045	6,269	6,474	6,591	6,704
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	23,799	25,081	25,701	26,366	27,072
Net working capital	2,467	2,678	1,451	1,484	1,516
Invested capital * Includes convertibles and preferred stock which is being	19,247	20,751	20,748	21,163	21,580
	i i cated as debt				
Per share (THB) Book value per share	10.77	12.01	12.47	13.08	13.74
Tangible book value per share	10.77	12.01	12.47	13.08	13.74
Financial strength	10.77	12.01	12.71	10.00	10.17
Net debt/equity (%)	92.5	78.7	72.2	67.9	63.3
Net debt/total assets (%)	37.4	35.1	32.6	31.3	29.8
Current ratio (x)	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0
CF interest cover (x)	5.1	7.0	4.6	3.8	4.3
Valuation	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Recurring P/E (x) *	45.1	37.5	47.3	41.7	37.4
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	37.4	31.1	39.3	34.6	31.1
Reported P/E (x)	42.1 1.4	35.1 1.4	47.3 1.5	41.7 1.7	37.4
Dividend yield (%) Price/book (x)	6.1	1.4 5.5	5.3	5.1	1.9 4.8
Price/tangible book (x)	6.1	5.5	5.3	5.1	4.8
EV/EBITDA (x) **	23.3	24.0	26.0	23.2	21.1
EV/EBITDA @ target price (x) **	19.9	20.5	22.2	19.8	18.0
EV/invested capital (x)	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.0
* Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted ** EBIT	DA includes associate	income and recurr	ing non-operating i	ncome	

Sources: Thonburi Healthcare Group; FSSIA estimates

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Rating regarding the sustainable development of Thai listed companies, both on the SET and MAI, are publicly available on the website of the Securities and Exchange Commission of Thailand (SEC). Currently, ratings available are 1) "CG Score" by the Thai Institute of Directors Association (Thai IOD); 2) "AGM Checklist" by the Thai Investors Association (TIA), a "CAC certified member" of the Thai Private Sector Collective Action Against Corruption (CAC); and 3) Sustainability Investment List (THSI) by the Stock Exchange of Thailand. The ratings are updated on an annual basis. FSS International Investment Advisory Company Limited does not confirm nor certify the accuracy of such ratings.

CG Score by the Thai Institute of Directors Association (Thai IOD) 1

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The Checklist contains the minimum requirements under law that companies must comply with, or best practices according to international CG guidance. Representatives of the TIA will attend the meetings and perform the evaluation. The assessment criteria cover AGM procedures before the meeting (45%), at the meeting date (45%), and after the meeting (10%). The first assesses 1) advance circulation of sufficient information for voting; and 2) facilitating of how voting rights can be exercised. The second assesses 1) the ease of attending meetings; 2) transparency and verifiability; and 3) openness for Q&A. The third involves the meeting minutes that should contain discussion issues, resolutions and voting results.

The results are classified into four categories: 5 for Excellent (score 100), 4 for Very Good (score 90-99), 3 for Fair (score 80-89), and not rated (score below 79).

CAC certified member by the Thai Private Sector Collective Action Against Corruption (CAC)3

A <u>CAC certified member</u> is a listed company whose Checklist satisfies the CAC Certification's criteria and is approved by the CAC Council. The core elements of the Checklist include corruption risk assessment, establishment of key controls, and the monitoring and developing of policies. Note that the CAC does not certify the behaviour of the employees nor whether the companies have engaged in bribery, and Certification is good for three years.

Companies deciding to become a CAC certified member start with by submitting a Declaration of Intent signed by the Chairman of the Board to kick off the 18-month deadline for companies to submit the CAC Checklist for Certification. The 18-month provision is for risk assessment, in place of policy and control, training of managers and employees, establishment of whistleblowing channels, and communication of policies to all stakeholders.

The checklist document will be reviewed by the CAC Certification Committee for adequate information and evidence. It is worth noting that the committee consists of nine professionals in business law, corporate governance, internal audit, financial audit and experienced representatives from certified members.

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Sustainability Investment (THSI)4 by the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET)

Thailand Sustainability Investment (THSI) quantifies responsibility in <u>E</u>nvironmental, and <u>S</u>ocial issues, by managing business with transparency in <u>G</u>overnance. The THSI serves as another choice for investors who desire to adopt a responsible investment approach, according to the SET.

Annually, the SET will announce the voluntary participation of the company candidates which pass the preemptive criteria, and whose two key crucial conditions are met, i.e. no irregular trading of the board members and executives and a free float of >150 by the number of shareholders, and combined holding must >15% of paid-up capital. Some key disqualifying criteria include a CG score of below 70%; independent directors and free float violation; executives' wrongdoing related to CG, social and environmental impacts, equity in negative territory, and earnings in the red for more than three years in the last five years. To become eligible for THSI, the candidate must pass three indicators in data declaration: Economic (CG, risk management, customer relation management, supply chain management, and innovation); Environmental management, eco-efficiency, and climate risk); Social (human rights, talent attraction, operational health & safety, community development, and stakeholder engagement); and the incorporation of ESG in business operations.

To be approved for THSI inclusion, verified data must be scored at a 50% minimum for each indicator, unless the company is a part of the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices⁵ (DJSI) during the assessment year. The scoring will be fairly weighted against the nature of the relevant industry and materiality.

Note that, from the <u>THSI list</u>, the SET further developed a sustainability <u>SETTHSI Index</u> in June 2018 from selected THSI companies whose 1) market capitalisation > THB5b (~USD150b); 2) free float >20%; and 3) liquidity >0.5% of paid-up capital for at least 9 out of 12 months. The SETTHSI Index is a market capitalisation-weighted index, cap 5% quarterly weight at maximum, and no cap for number of stocks.

Sources: <u>SEC</u>; <u>Thai IOD</u>; <u>Thai CAC</u>; <u>SET</u>; FSSIA's compilation

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⁴ Sustainability Investment List (<u>THSI</u>), created by the Stock Exchange of Thailand in 2015, comprises the listed companies that conduct sustainable business operations.

⁵ Dow Jones Sustainability Indices – Wikipedia – Launched in 1999, DJSI evaluates the sustainability performance of companies based on corporate economic, environmental, and social performance.

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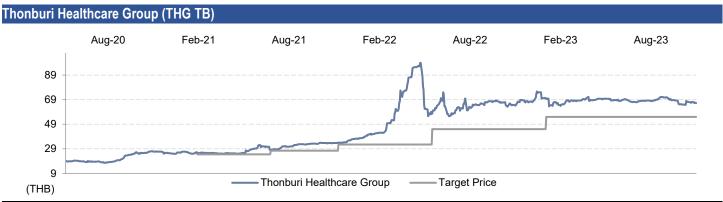
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Date	Rating	Target price	Date	Rating	Target price	Date	Rating	Target price
31-Mar-2021 05-Aug-2021	HOLD HOLD	24.50 27.50	30-Nov-2021 11-May-2022	HOLD REDUCE	32.50 45.00	24-Nov-2022	REDUCE	55.00

Teerapol Udomvej, CFA started covering this stock from 30-Jul-2020

Price and TP are in local currency

Source: FSSIA estimates

Company	Ticker	Price	Rating	Valuation & Risks
Thonburi Healthcare Group	THG TB	THB 66.25	REDUCE	Upside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) a new Covid wave from a new variant; and 2) big-lot sales of Jin Wellbeing County units.

Source: FSSIA estimates

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Stock ratings

Stock ratings are based on absolute upside or downside, which we define as (target price* - current price) / current price.

BUY (B). The upside is 10% or more.

HOLD (H). The upside or downside is less than 10%.

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Overweight. The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be positive over the next 12 months.

Neutral. The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be maintained over the next 12 months.

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Country (Strategy) Recommendations

Overweight (O). Over the next 12 months, the analyst expects the market to score positively on two or more of the criteria used to determine market recommendations: index returns relative to the regional benchmark, index sharpe ratio relative to the regional benchmark and index returns relative to the market cost of equity.

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