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# BANGKOK CHAIN HOSPITAL

THAILAND / HEALTH CARE SERVICES

High growth visibility in 2024

- Expect 4Q23 core profit to jump by 54% y-y to THB416m due to smaller one-off items, but drop by 6% q-q from seasonality.
- Expect 2024 core profit to jump 33% to THB1.9b, driven by higher SSO quota from main hospitals and turnaround of new hospitals.
- Maintain BUY with a higher DCF-TP of THB26.0/shr.

#### 4Q23 revenue to exceed pre-Covid by 43%

We expect 4Q23 revenue to grow by 13% y-y. Cash patient revenue should grow by 10-13% y-y in the quarter due to a strong Thai patient volume. Meanwhile, SSO revenue should also grow by 10-13% y-y due to higher revenue per head and an additional gain from SSO chronic disease treatments totaling THB30m-40m (vs THB34m in 4Q22). Overall, we forecast 4Q23 core profit to jump by 54% y-y to THB416m thanks to smaller one-off items (THB115m provision expense and THB60m FX loss in 4Q22). However, core profit should drop by 6% q-q mainly due to a lower IPD patient volume during the low season.

#### Receiving an additional SSO quota of 314k in 2024

BCH recently received an additional SSO guota of 314k in 2024, raising the total quota from 1.54m to 1.86m. We estimate that registered members should jump by 8% from an average of 1.01m in 2023 to 1.09m in 2024, given that KH Prachachuen and KH Bangkae, which normally have high demand, received an additional quota of c180k combined. We estimate this should lift revenue by cTHB300m (based on revenue per head of cTHB3,800) and core profit by THB80m-90m in 2024.

#### Several key earnings growth drivers in 2024

We forecast core profit to jump by 33% to THB1.9b in 2024 on the absence of an FX loss from KIH Vientiane (cTHB130m in 2023), smaller provision expenses or revenue reversal related to Covid treatments (THB80m-90m in 2023), a smaller loss from three new hospitals (THB120m-130m loss in 2023E vs THB60 loss in 2024E), THB80m-90m additional core profit growth from more SSO registered members, and organic profit growth of 10-15% from higher international patient revenue.

#### Revise up core profit

We raise our 2023-25E core profit by 3-10% to reflect the strong outlook and derive a new DCF-TP of THB26/shr. BCH is trading at an attractive valuation of 30x 2024E P/E. Despite the earnings upgrade, we still see a potential 2024 core profit upside from higher-than-expected SSO registered members and international patient volume, plus the earlier turnaround of three new hospitals, especially KIH Vientiane and KIH Aranyaprathet.

## **BCH TB**

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TARGET PRICE	THB26.00
CLOSE	THB22.20
UP/DOWNSIDE	+17.1%
PRIOR TP	THB24.50
CHANGE IN TP	+6.1%
TP vs CONSENSUS	+9.7%

#### **KEY STOCK DATA**

YE Dec (THB m)	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	18,827	11,847	12,970	14,027
Net profit	3,039	1,395	1,861	2,104
EPS (THB)	1.22	0.56	0.75	0.84
vs Consensus (%)	-	(2.8)	6.5	4.7
EBITDA	5,059	2,820	3,437	3,787
Recurring net profit	3,039	1,395	1,861	2,104
Core EPS (THB)	1.22	0.56	0.75	0.84
Chg. In EPS est. (%)	-	2.8	9.6	4.6
EPS growth (%)	(55.6)	(54.1)	33.4	13.1
Core P/E (x)	18.2	39.7	29.8	26.3
Dividend yield (%)	6.3	2.3	1.4	1.8
EV/EBITDA (x)	11.4	19.8	15.8	14.0
Price/book (x)	4.4	4.4	4.0	3.7
Net debt/Equity (%)	9.2	(5.3)	(13.9)	(21.1)
ROE (%)	23.9	11.1	14.2	14.8



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month			
Absolute (%)	(0.9)	12.1	6.2			
Relative to country (%)	2.0	13.1	29.8			
Mkt cap (USD m)			1,557			
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m)			6.2			
Free float (%)			50			
Major shareholder	Chaleri	Chalerm Harnphanich (33%				
12m high/low (THB)	23.30/16.60					
Issued shares (m)			2,493.75			

Sources: Bloomberg consensus: FSSIA estimates



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#### Investment thesis

BCH is a leading service provider under the Social Security Office (SSO) scheme with a 7% market share. BCH has received a large SSO quota of 314k in 2024. This should lead to more registered members numbering around 80-100k for BCH in 2024.

In 2020-21, BCH opened three new hospitals, which continue to contribute a loss. However, their operations are improving, and all three hospitals should turn profitable by 2025-26, leading to better EBITDA and an improved NPM.

Revenue from international patients has already exceeded the pre-Covid level, driven by Middle Eastern and CLMV patients. BCH targets a higher revenue contribution from international patients, expecting it to rise from 17% in 2023 to 20% in 2024. This should improve its overall margin due to the higher billing size compared to Thai patients.

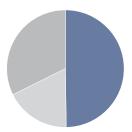
#### Company profile

The company operates its business as a group, providing healthcare services for both cash patients and patients under the social security scheme.

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#### Principal activities (revenue, 2022)

- Cash patient revenue 49.8 %
- SSO patient revenue 17.9 %
- NHSO patient revenue 32.3 %



Source: Bangkok Chain Hospital

#### **Major shareholders**

- Chalerm Harnphanich 32.6 %
- Thai NVDR 8.8 %
- Somporn Harnphanich 6.8 %
- Others 51.8 %



Source: Bangkok Chain Hospital

#### **Catalysts**

Key potential growth drivers include 1) more SSO-registered members; 2) rising demand from medical tourists; and 3) an improving EBITDA margin led by new hospitals.

#### Risks to our call

Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) a slowdown in international patients due to economic concerns, political protests or floods; 2) regulatory risks from drug prices and medical bill controls; and 3) SSO provision expenses following a limited SSO budget.

#### **Event calendar**

Date	Event
Feb 2024	4Q23 results announcement

#### **Key assumptions**

	2023E	2024E	2025E
	(%)	(%)	(%)
SSO volume growth	3	8	7
SSO revenue / patient growth	11	4	3
OPD volume growth	(44)	4	4
OPD revenue / patient growth	31	4	3
IPD volume growth	6	4	4
IPD revenue / patient growth	(3)	4	3

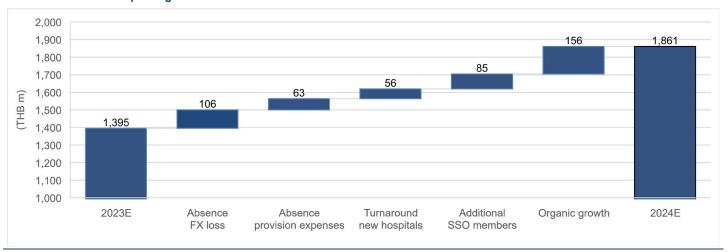
Source: FSSIA estimates

#### Earnings sensitivity

- For every 1% increase in patient volume, we project 2024 earnings would rise by 2%, and vice versa, all else being equal.
- For every 1% increase in EBITDA margin, we project 2024 earnings would rise by 5%, and vice versa, all else being equal.

Source: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 1: 2024E core profit growth breakdown



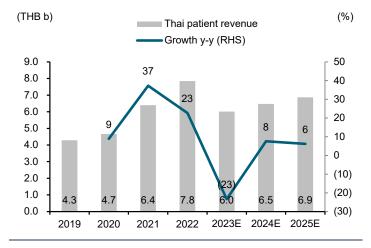
Note: Applied 20% tax for each item Source: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 2: 2024E key earnings growth assumptions

Key growth items	Assumptions
Absence of FX loss	BCH booked a THB130m FX loss from KIH Vientiane following the LAK's depreciation against the THB in 9M23. We believe the FX loss will significantly reduce in 2024 as it has repaid the THB term loan.
Absence of provision expenses	BCH booked provision expenses and a revenue reversal related to Covid treatments totaling THB80m-90m in 2023. We expect a smaller provision expense in 2024.
Turnaround of new hospitals	Expect three new hospital losses to narrow from THB120m-130m in 2023 to THB60m in 2024.
Additional SSO members	Expect registered members to increase by 80k in 2024 with average revenue per head of THB3,800 and an EBITDA margin of 35-40% for additional SSO revenue.
Organic growth	Expect core profit growth of 10-15%, driven by higher revenue intensity from international patients.

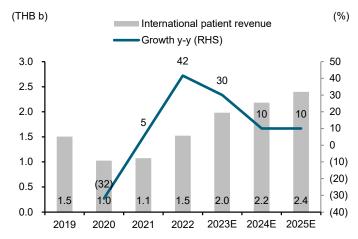
Source: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 3: Thai general patient revenue



Sources: BCH; FSSIA estimates

**Exhibit 4: International patient revenue** 

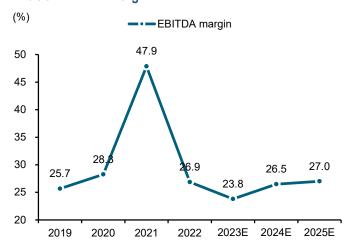


Sources: BCH; FSSIA estimates

### Exhibit 5: SSO revenue, yearly



**Exhibit 6: EBITDA margin** 



Sources: BCH; FSSIA estimate

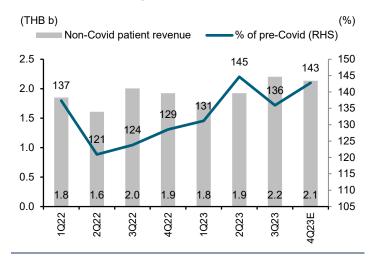
Sources: BCH; FSSIA estimate

Exhibit 7: 4Q23 results preview

	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23E	Cha	nge	2023E	Chg.
	(THB m)	(q-q %)	(y-y %)	(THB m)	(y-y %)				
Sales	2,788	2,674	2,849	3,175	3,149	(1)	13	11,847	(37)
COGS (incl. depreciation)	(1,876)	(1,936)	(1,989)	(2,098)	(2,129)	1	13	(8,154)	(36)
Gross profit	912	738	860	1,077	1,020	(5)	12	3,692	(39)
SG&A	(511)	(398)	(495)	(470)	(462)	(2)	(9)	(1,824)	(6)
Operating profit	401	340	365	607	558	(8)	39	1,868	(55)
Net other income	13	25	28	26	26	0	102	102	11
Interest expense	(34)	(28)	(24)	(30)	(29)	(5)	(15)	(113)	(27)
Pretax profit	380	337	369	602	555	(8)	46	1,857	(54)
Income Tax	(101)	(70)	(86)	(135)	(111)	(18)	10	(390)	(56)
Associates	(1)	(1)	2	0	0			2	n/a
Minority interest	(8)	(12)	(1)	(27)	(28)	3	269	(74)	(38)
Core profit	270	254	284	441	416	(6)	54	1,395	(54)
Extraordinaries, GW & FX	0	0	0	0	0				
Reported net profit	270	254	284	441	416	(6)	54	1,395	(54)
Outstanding shares (m)	2,494	2,494	2,494	2,494	2,494	0	0	2,494	0
Core EPS (THB)	0.11	0.10	0.11	0.18	0.17	(6)	54	0.56	(54)
EPS (THB)	0.11	0.10	0.11	0.18	0.17	(6)	54	0.56	(54)
COGS (excl. depreciation)	1,636	1,698	1,755	1,861	1,887	1	15	7,203	(39)
Depreciation	240	238	234	237	241	1	(2)	951	0
EBITDA	654	603	627	869	825	39	457	2,921	(43)
Key ratios	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(ppt)	(ppt)	(%)	(ppt)
Gross margin	33	28	30	34	32	(2)	(0)	31	(1)
SG&A/Revenue	18	15	17	15	15	(0)	(4)	15	5
EBITDA margin	23	23	22	27	26	(1)	3	24	(4)
Net profit margin	10	9	10	14	13	(1)	4	12	(4)
Operating stats	(y-y %)								
Cash-OPD revenue growth	(38)	(51)	(21)	(22)					
Cash-OPD volume growth	(63)	(74)	(47)	(23)					
Cash-OPD revenue per head growth	50	66	49	1					
Cash-IPD revenue growth	(9)	(20)	13	4					
Cash-IPD volume growth	(71)	(77)	(56)	51					
Cash-IPD revenue per head growth	(26)	7	25	(10)					
SSO revenue growth	7	14	16	15					
SSO registered member ('000)	1,012	1,013	1,012	1,011					
SSO registered member growth	13	8	4	2					
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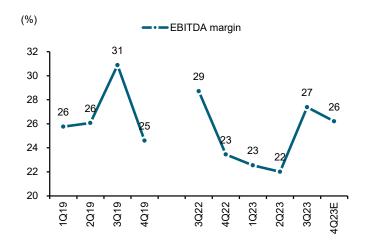
Sources: BCH; FSSIA estimates

#### Exhibit 8: Non-Covid general patient revenue



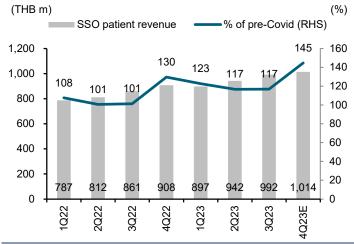
Source: BCH; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 10: EBITDA margin



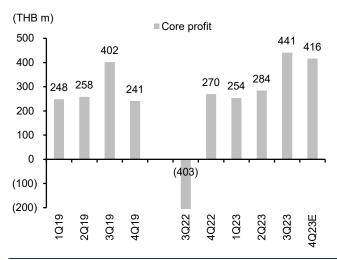
Note: 3Q22 excludes Moderna write-off Sources: BCH; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 9: SSO revenue, quarterly



Source: BCH; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 11: Core profit



Sources: BCH; FSSIA estimates

**Exhibit 12: Forecast revisions** 

		Current			Previous		% Change			
	2023E	2024E	2025E	2023E	2024E	2025E	2023E	2024E	2025E	
SSO registered members ('000)	1,012	1,092	1,169	1,038	1,069	1,101	(2.5)	2.2	6.2	
SSO revenue per head (THB)	3,805	3,957	4,076	3,615	3,796	3,986	5.2	4.2	2.3	
Cash-OPD visits per day (no.)	3,024	3,145	3,271	3,468	3,642	3,824	(12.8)	(13.6)	(14.5)	
Cash-OPD revenue per head (THB)	3,588	3,732	3,844	3,561	3,739	3,926	0.8	(0.2)	(2.1)	
Cash-IPD admissions per day (no.)	137	142	148	142	149	156	(3.6)	(4.5)	(5.4)	
Cash-IPD revenue per head (THB)	80,804	84,036	86,557	88,677	93,111	95,904	(8.9)	(9.7)	(9.7)	
Revenue (THB m)	11,847	12,970	14,027	12,851	14,089	15,342	(7.8)	(7.9)	(8.6)	
EBITDA margin (%)	23.8	26.5	27.0	23.0	24.3	25.3	0.8	2.2	1.7	
Core profit (THB m)	1,395	1,861	2,104	1,357	1,697	2,011	2.8	9.6	4.6	

Note: Change of items in percentage terms are represented in ppt change Source: FSSIA estimates

#### Exhibit 13: DCF-derived TP

Cost of equity assumptions	(%)	Cost of debt assumptions	(%)
Risk-free rate	3.0	Pre-tax cost of debt	4.0
Market risk premium	8.0	Marginal tax rate	20.0
Stock beta	1.0		
Cost of equity, Ke	10.6	Net cost of debt, Kd	3.2
Weight applied	70.0	Weight applied	30.0
WACC	8.4		

DCF valuation estimate	(THB b)	(THB/share)	Comments
NPV	23.0	9.2	WACC 8.4%, Risk-free rate 3%, Risk premium 8%
Terminal value	40.8	16.4	Terminal growth 3%
Cash & liquid assets	5.1	2.1	At end-2023E
Investments	0.0	0.0	At end-2023E
Debt	(3.1)	(1.2)	At end-2023E
Minorities	(1.1)	(0.5)	At end-2023E
Residual ordinary equity	64.8	26.0	

Source: FSSIA estimates

#### Exhibit 14: Historical P/E band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

#### Exhibit 15: Historical P/BV band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 16: Peer comparisons as of 29 Jan 2024

Company	BBG	Rec	Share price		Market PE		RC	E	PBV		- EV/ EBITDA -			
			Current	Target	Upside	Сар	23E	24E	23E	24E	23E	24E	23E	24E
			(LCY)	(LCY)	(%)	(USD m)	(x)	(x)	(%)	(%)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)
Thailand														
Bangkok Dusit Med Service	BDMS TB	BUY	27.25	35.00	28.4	12,176	30.6	27.6	15.2	15.7	4.5	4.2	17.9	16.2
Bumrungrad Hospital	BH TB	BUY	241.00	300.00	24.5	5,386	28.4	27.1	31.1	28.0	8.1	7.2	18.8	17.8
Bangkok Chain Hospital	BCH TB	BUY	22.20	26.00	17.1	1,557	39.7	29.8	11.1	14.2	4.4	4.0	19.8	15.8
Chularat Hospital	CHG TB	BUY	3.18	3.90	22.6	983	32.9	26.9	14.2	16.8	4.7	4.3	18.2	15.2
Praram 9 Hospital	PR9 TB	BUY	17.40	22.00	26.4	385	25.3	22.7	11.0	11.6	2.7	2.5	12.2	10.7
Thonburi Healthcare Group	THG TB	HOLD	48.00	55.00	14.6	1,144	42.5	33.7	9.3	11.4	3.9	3.7	19.8	17.2
Ramkhamhaeng Hospital	RAM TB	BUY	32.25	50.00	55.0	1,088	25.3	21.1	7.8	9.2	2.0	1.9	31.3	26.0
Rajthanee Hospital	RJH TB	n/a	26.50	n/a	n/a	224	18.9	18.7	18.0	17.4	5.3	3.3	13.0	12.5
Ekachai Medical Care	EKH TB	n/a	7.55	n/a	n/a	151	19.9	19.2	13.9	12.7	5.5	2.5	11.1	10.3
Thailand average						23,093	29.3	25.2	14.6	15.2	4.6	3.7	18.0	15.7
Regional														
Ramsay Health Care	RHC AU	n/a	50.11	n/a	n/a	7,589	33.8	36.9	8.6	7.4	2.8	2.7	11.6	10.9
Ihh Healthcare Bhd	IHH SP	n/a	1.75	n/a	n/a	11,488	35.7	31.8	6.1	6.4	2.3	2.0	14.3	13.7
Ryman Healthcare	RYM NZ	n/a	5.78	n/a	n/a	2,432	11.5	13.1	7.5	7.5	1.3	8.0	13.7	13.4
Apollo Hospitals Enterprise	APHS IN	n/a	6,169	n/a	n/a	10,978	108.6	92.6	13.8	14.8	25.1	14.2	44.6	39.0
Kpj Healthcare Berhad	KPJ MK	n/a	1.60	n/a	n/a	1,476	29.6	26.2	10.1	10.7	3.6	3.0	13.1	12.4
Raffles Medical Group	RFMD SP	n/a	1.01	n/a	n/a	1,398	21.0	22.4	8.7	8.1	2.2	1.8	10.6	11.0
Mitra Keluarga Karyasehat	MIKA IJ	n/a	2,590	n/a	n/a	2,331	37.9	32.8	16.8	17.9	7.6	6.3	23.8	20.6
Aier Eye Hospital Group	300015 CH	n/a	13.48	n/a	n/a	17,510	35.5	28.1	18.4	19.8	14.4	6.2	20.8	16.8
Regional average						55,203	39.2	35.5	11.2	11.6	7.4	4.6	19.1	17.2
Overall average						78,296	34.0	30.0	13.0	13.5	5.9	4.2	18.5	16.4

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

### **Financial Statements**

Bangkok Chain Hospital

Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	21,405	18,827	11,847	12,970	14,027
Cost of goods sold	(10,561)	(12,772)	(8,154)	(8,729)	(9,369)
Gross profit	10,844	6,055	3,692	4,240	4,657
Other operating income	-	-	-	-	-
Operating costs	(1,469)	(1,946)	(1,824)	(1,803)	(1,922)
Operating EBITDA	10,248	5,059	2,820	3,437	3,787
Depreciation	(874)	(950)	(951)	(999)	(1,052)
Goodwill amortisation	-	-	-	-	-
Operating EBIT	9,374	4,109	1,868	2,438	2,736
Net financing costs	(147)	(148)	(109)	(97)	(85)
Associates	2	0	2	2	2
Recurring non-operating income	127	84	100	104	109
Non-recurring items	0	0	0	0	0
Profit before tax	9,354	4,046	1,859	2,444	2,760
Tax	(1,846)	(888)	(390)	(488)	(552)
Profit after tax	7,507	3,157	1,469	1,955	2,208
Minority interests	(661)	(118)	(74)	(95)	(104)
Preferred dividends	-	-	-	-	-
Other items Reported net profit	- 6 946	2 020	4 205	4 964	2 404
Non-recurring items & goodwill (net)	6,846 0	3,039 0	1,395 0	1,861 0	2,104 0
Recurring net profit	6,846	3,039	1,395	1,861	2,104
Per share (THB)		3,555	.,	.,	_,
Recurring EPS *	2.75	1.22	0.56	0.75	0.84
Reported EPS	2.75	1.22	0.56	0.75	0.84
DPS	0.33	1.40	0.50	0.31	0.41
Diluted shares (used to calculate per share data)	2,494	2,494	2,494	2,494	2,494
Growth					
Revenue (%)	139.8	(12.0)	(37.1)	9.5	8.1
Operating EBITDA (%)	306.3	(50.6)	(44.3)	21.9	10.2
Operating EBIT (%)	438.6	(56.2)	(54.5)	30.5	12.2
Recurring EPS (%)	456.9	(55.6)	(54.1)	33.4	13.1
Reported EPS (%)	456.9	(55.6)	(54.1)	33.4	13.1
Operating performance					
Gross margin inc. depreciation (%)	50.7	32.2	31.2	32.7	33.2
Gross margin exc. depreciation (%)	54.7	37.2	39.2	40.4	40.7
Operating EBITDA margin (%)	47.9	26.9	23.8	26.5	27.0
Operating EBIT margin (%)	43.8	21.8	15.8	18.8	19.5
Net margin (%)	32.0	16.1	11.8	14.3	15.0
Effective tax rate (%)	19.7	22.0	21.0	20.0	20.0
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	12.0	114.9	89.4	41.2	48.6
Interest cover (X)	64.5	28.4	18.0	26.1	33.6
Inventory days	12.9	12.3	14.7	10.8	10.8
Debtor days	42.9	49.3	47.4	43.3	40.0
Creditor days	40.3	41.0	53.0	38.8	38.7
Operating ROIC (%)	51.4	21.4	11.1	15.8	18.0
ROIC (%)	50.1	21.0	11.1	15.6	17.7
ROE (%)	68.9	23.9	11.1	14.2	14.8
ROA (%)  * Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted	35.5	14.2	8.0	10.4	11.1
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Revenue by Division (THB m)	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Cash patient revenue	7,476	9,372	7,995	8,648	9,263
SSO patient revenue	2,905	3,371	3,851	4,322	4,763
NHSO patient revenue	11,023	6,084	0	0	0

Sources: Bangkok Chain Hospital; FSSIA estimates

### **Financial Statements**

Bangkok Chain Hospital

Cash Flow (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Recurring net profit	6,846	3,039	1,395	1,861	2,104
Depreciation	874	950	951	999	1,052
Associates & minorities	-	-	-	-	-
Other non-cash items	660	24	71	95	104
Change in working capital	(2,204)	1,459	1,668	106	107
Cash flow from operations	6,175	5,471	4,085	3,061	3,367
Capex - maintenance	(678)	(984)	(826)	(908)	(982)
Capex - new investment let acquisitions & disposals	(1)	2	0	0	0
Other investments (net)	(1)	2	-	-	-
Cash flow from investing	(679)	(982)	(826)	(908)	(982)
Dividends paid	(821)	(3,491)	(1,247)	(767)	(1,023)
Equity finance	0	0,101)	0	0	(1,020)
Debt finance	(274)	(3,153)	0	(800)	0
Other financing cash flows	(90)	(462)	(41)	(52)	(57)
Cash flow from financing	(1,186)	(7,106)	(1,288)	(1,619)	(1,081)
Non-recurring cash flows	-	-	-	-	-
Other adjustments	0	0	0	0	0
Net other adjustments	0	0	0	0	0
Novement in cash	4,310	(2,616)	1,971	534	1,304
Free cash flow to firm (FCFF)	5,647.32	4,645.31	3,372.25	2,257.53	2,477.56
Free cash flow to equity (FCFE)	5,131.91	875.07	3,218.28	1,300.78	2,327.60
Per share (THB)					
FCFF per share	2.26	1.86	1.35	0.91	0.99
FCFE per share	2.06	0.35	1.29	0.52	0.93
Recurring cash flow per share	3.36	1.61	0.97	1.18	1.31
Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
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Fangible fixed assets (gross)	19,417	20,274	21,103	22,011	22,993
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(7,175) <b>12,243</b>	(7,992) <b>12,282</b>	(8,943) <b>12,160</b>	(9,943) <b>12,069</b>	(10,994) <b>11,999</b>
Fangible fixed assets (net) ntangible fixed assets (net)	540	425	425	425	425
Long-term financial assets	540	425	425	425	425
nvest. in associates & subsidiaries	34	32	32	32	32
Cash & equivalents	5,256	2,640	4,611	5,145	6,449
A/C receivable	3,547	1,539	1,539	1,539	1,539
Inventories	437	362	220	236	254
Other current assets	4,302	2,294	114	125	135
Current assets	13,541	6,835	6,485	7,045	8,377
Other assets	26	223	223	223	223
Total assets	26,384	19,796	19,324	19,793	21,056
Common equity	12,980	12,445	12,593	13,686	14,767
Minorities etc.	1,326	1,065	1,098	1,141	1,188
Total shareholders' equity	14,306	13,510	13,691	14,827	15,955
Long term debt	6,791	3,888	3,888	3,088	3,088
Other long-term liabilities	170	163	163	163	163
Long-term liabilities	6,961	4,051	4,051	3,251	3,251
A/C payable	1,358	1,300	792	850	915
Short term debt	250	0	0	0	0
Other current liabilities	3,510	935	789	864	935
Current liabilities	5,117	2,235	1,582	1,714	1,849
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	26,384	19,796	19,324	19,793	21,056
Net working capital	3,418	1,959	291	186	79
nvested capital	16,260	14,921	13,131	12,934	12,757
functudes convertibles and preferred stock which is be	ing treated as debt				
Per share (THB)					
Book value per share	5.20	4.99	5.05	5.49	5.92
Гangible book value per share	4.99	4.82	4.88	5.32	5.75
Financial strength					
Net debt/equity (%)	12.5	9.2	(5.3)	(13.9)	(21.1)
Net debt/total assets (%)	6.8	6.3	(3.7)	(10.4)	(16.0)
Current ratio (x)	2.6	3.1	4.1	4.1	4.5
CF interest cover (x)	35.9	6.9	30.5	14.3	28.5
<b>V</b> aluation	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Recurring P/E (x) *	8.1	18.2	39.7	29.8	26.3
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	9.5	21.3	46.5	34.8	30.8
Reported P/E (x)	8.1	18.2	39.7	29.8	26.3
Dividend yield (%)	1.5	6.3	2.3	1.4	1.8
Price/book (x)	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.0	3.7
Price/tangible book (x)	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.2	3.9
EV/EBITDA (x) **	5.7	11.4	19.8	15.8	14.0
EV/EBITDA @ target price (x) **	6.6	13.3	23.1	18.6	16.5
	2.0	3.9	4.2	4.2	4.2
EV/invested capital (x)	3.6	5.5			

Sources: Bangkok Chain Hospital; FSSIA estimates

# **Bangkok Chain Hospital PCL (BCH TB)**

FSSIA ESG rating

### Exhibit 17: FSSIA ESG score implication

39.71 /100

Rating	Score	Implication
****	>79-100	Leading its industry peers in managing the most significant ESG risks which not only better cost efficiency but also lead to higher profitability.
****	>59-79	A mixed track record of managing the most significant ESG risks and opportunities relative to industry peers.
***	>39-59	Relevant ESG materiality matrix has been constructively addressed, well-managed and incorporated into day-to-day operations, in which targets and achievements are evaluated annually.
**	>19-39	Relevant ESG materiality matrix has been identified with key management in charge for progress to be followed up on and to provide intensive disclosure. Most targets are conventional and achievable.
*	1-19	The company has adopted the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs), established sustainability management guidelines and fully complies with regulations or ESG suggested guidance from related organizations such as the SET and SEC.

Sources: FSSIA estimates

#### Exhibit 18: ESG – peer comparison

	FSSIA		Domestic ratings					Global ratings					Bloomberg		
	ESG score	DJSI	SET THSI	THSI	CG score	AGM level	Thai CAC	Morningstar ESG risk	ESG Book	MSCI	Moody's	Refinitiv	S&P Global	ESG score	Disclosure score
SET100	69.20	5.34	4.40	4.40	4.76	4.65	3.84	Medium	51.76	BBB	20.87	58.72	63.91	3.72	28.17
Coverage	67.12	5.11	4.15	4.17	4.83	4.71	3.53	Medium	52.04	BB	16.97	56.85	62.09	3.40	31.94
BCH	39.71				4.00	5.00	Certified	High	48.21			27.19	18.00	3.52	47.60
BDMS	74.00	Υ	Υ	Υ	5.00	4.00		Medium	61.06	AA	34.00	59.83	72.00	3.45	58.92
ВН	51.21		<b></b>		4.00	4.00		Medium	64.29	Α	29.00	59.03	27.00	5.08	47.79
CHG	38.25				4.00	5.00		High	55.35			59.57	21.00	2.34	50.24
PR9	54.08		Υ	Υ	5.00	5.00	Certified	High	71.12			62.39		2.43	37.90
PRINC	18.00				4.00	4.00	Certified								
RAM	11.75		<b></b>		3.00			High							
THG	18.75				5.00	5.00		High							
VIBHA	20.88				4.00	3.00	Declared	High					17.00		

Sources: SETTRADE.com; FSSIA's compilation

### Exhibit 19: ESG score by Bloomberg

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
ESG financial materiality scores - ESG score	0.56	0.71	0.75	0.72	0.80	0.85	2.36	3.52
BESG environmental pillar score	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.38	0.38	2.96	4.63
BESG social pillar score	0.00	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22	1.70	3.47
BESG governance pillar score	2.35	2.41	2.62	2.50	2.41	2.63	3.19	2.91
ESG disclosure score	18.06	19.81	19.81	19.81	20.08	20.08	31.27	47.60
Environmental disclosure score	0.00	0.42	0.42	0.42	1.24	1.24	20.57	46.18
Social disclosure score	3.17	10.52	10.52	10.52	10.52	10.52	18.53	41.96
Governance disclosure score	50.87	48.37	48.37	48.37	48.37	48.37	54.64	54.64
Environmental								
Emissions reduction initiatives	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Climate change policy	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Climate change opportunities discussed	No							
Risks of climate change discussed	No							
GHG scope 1	_	_	_	_	_	_	1	2
GHG scope 2 location-based	_	_	_	_	_	_	5	6
GHG Scope 3	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Carbon per unit of production	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Biodiversity policy	No							
Energy efficiency policy	No	Yes						
Total energy consumption	_	_	_	_	_	_	10	12
Renewable energy use	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Electricity used	_	_	_	_	_	_	10	12
Fuel used - natural gas	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

 $Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's \ compilation$ 

Exhibit 20: ESG score by Bloomberg (cont.)

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 202
Fuel used - crude oil/diesel	No	N						
Waste reduction policy	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Hazardous waste	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Total waste	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Waste recycled	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Waste sent to landfills	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Environmental supply chain management	No	Ye						
Water policy	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Ye
Water consumption	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-
Social								
Human rights policy	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Policy against child labor	No	Ye						
Quality assurance and recall policy	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Consumer data protection policy	No	N						
Equal opportunity policy	Yes	Y						
Gender pay gap breakout	No	N						
Pct women in workforce	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Pct disabled in workforce	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Business ethics policy	Yes	Υ						
Anti-bribery ethics policy	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Y
Health and safety policy	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Y
Lost time incident rate - employees	_	_	_	_	_	_	0	
Total recordable incident rate - employees	_	_	_	_	_	_	0	
Training policy	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Υ
Fair remuneration policy	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Υ
Number of employees – CSR	_	_	_	_	_	_	8,597	8,8
Employee turnover pct	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Total hours spent by firm - employee training	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	54,7
Social supply chain management	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Υ
Governance								
Board size	10	10	10	12	12	12	12	
No. of independent directors (ID)	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
No. of women on board	3	3	3	4	4	3	3	
No. of non-executive directors on board	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	
Company conducts board evaluations	Yes	Υ						
No. of board meetings for the year	6	5	6	5	5	6	6	
Board meeting attendance pct	93	94	90	96	100	99	94	
Board duration (years)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Director share ownership guidelines	No	1						
Age of the youngest director	28	29	30	29	30	31	32	
Age of the oldest director	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	
No. of executives / company managers	5	5	5	5	5	7	7	
No. of female executives	1	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Executive share ownership guidelines	No							
Size of audit committee	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
No. of ID on audit committee	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Audit committee meetings	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	
Audit meeting attendance %	100	92	100	93	100	100	93	1
Size of compensation committee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
No. of ID on compensation committee	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
No. of compensation committee meetings	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Compensation meeting attendance %	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Size of nomination committee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
No. of nomination committee meetings	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Nomination meeting attendance %	_	_	_	_	_		_	
Sustainability governance	_							

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

### **Disclaimer for ESG scoring**

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ESG score	Methodolog	ıy			Rating						
The Dow Jones Sustainability Indices ( <u>DJSI</u> ) By S&P Global	process base from the ann Only the top- inclusion.	ed on the com lual S&P Glob -ranked comp	transparent, rules-based panies' Total Sustainabil al Corporate Sustainabili anies within each industr	ity Scores resulting ty Assessment (CSA). y are selected for	Be a member and invited to the annual S&P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA) for DJSI. Companies with an S&P Global ESG Score of less than 45% of the S&P Global ESG Score of the highest scoring company are disqualified. The constituents of the DJSI indices are selected from the Eligible Universe.						
Sustainability Investment List (THSI) List (THSI) by The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET)	managing bu Candidates I 1) no irregula float of >150 up capital. S 70%; 2) inde wrongdoing	usiness with tr must pass the ar trading of the shareholders ome key disque ependent direct related to CG,	ility in Environmental and ansparency in Governand preemptive criteria, with he board members and exist, and combined holding in ualifying criteria include: tors and free float violation, social & environmental in earnings in red for > 3 year	ce, updated annually. two crucial conditions: kecutives; and 2) free nust be >15% of paid- 1) CG score of below on; 3) executives' mpacts; 4) equity in	To be eligible for <u>THSI inclusion</u> , verified data must be scored at a minimum of 50% for each indicator, unless the company is a part of DJSI during the assessment year. The scoring will be fairly weighted against the nature of the relevant industry and materiality. <u>SETTHSI Index</u> is extended from the THSI companies whose 1) market capitalization > 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 a maximum, and no cap for number of stocks.						
CG Score by Thai Institute of Directors Association (Thai IOD)	annually by t Thailand (SE	the Thai IOD,	h in sustainable developn with support from the Sto ts are from the perspectiv s.	ck Exchange of	Good (80-89), and not rated for equitable treats	3 for Good (70 or scores belo nent of shareh 25%); 4) disclo	ories: 5 for Excel 0-79), 2 for Fair (6 w 50. Weightings nolders (weight 2 osure & transpare	60-69), 1 for F s include: 1) th 5% combined	lass (60-69), ne rights; 2) an ); 3) the role o		
AGM level By Thai Investors Association (TIA) with support from the SEC	treatment and transparent and tof five the criteria cover date (45%), circulation of sexercised. The and verifiability	e incorporated and sufficiently e CG compon r AGM proced and after the r ufficient informa e second assess y; and 3) openne	which shareholders' rights it into business operations y disclosed. All form impotents to be evaluated annures before the meeting (meeting (10%). (The first action for voting; and 2) facilitation is 1) the ease of attending mess for Q&A. The third involvees, resolutions and voting res	s and information is ortant elements of two ually. The assessment (45%), at the meeting ssesses 1) advance ing how voting rights can be eetings; 2) transparency is the meeting minutes that	The scores are classified into four categories: 5 for Excellent (100), 4 for Very Good (90-99), 3 for Fair (80-89), and not rated for scores below 79.						
Fhai CAC By Thai Private Sector Collective Action Against Corruption CAC)	establishmen policies. The (Companies de Declaration of Certification, ir managers and	nt of key contr c Certification i eciding to becom Intent to kick off including risk ass	Checklist include corruptions, and the monitoring a isood for three years. In a CAC certified member store an 18-month deadline to subsessment, in place of policy are ablishment of whistleblowing all stakeholders.)	nd developing of  art by submitting a mit the CAC Checklist for ad control, training of	The document will be reviewed by a committee of nine professionals. A passed Checklist will move for granting certification by the CAC Council approvals whose members are twelve highly respected individuals in professionalism and ethical achievements.						
Morningstar Sustainalytics	based on an risk is unmar regulatory filing	assessment on naged. Sources gs, news and oth	sk rating provides an ove of how much of a compar s to be reviewed include corp her media, NGO reports/webs	ny's exposure to ESG orate publications and sites, multi-sector	A company's ESG risk rating score is the sum of unmanaged risk. The more risk is unmanaged, the higher ESG risk is scored.						
		ompany feedbac uality & peer revi	k, ESG controversies, issuer i iews.	feedback on draft ESG	NEGL         Low         Medium         High         Severe           0-10         10-20         20-30         30-40         40+						
ESG Book	positioned to the principle helps explair over-weighti	outperform o of financial m n future risk-ad	sustainable companies the over the long term. The materiality including informal djusted performance. Mat the higher materiality and basis.	ethodology considers ation that significantly teriality is applied by	The total ESG score is calculated as a weighted sum of the features scores using materiality-based weights. The score is scaled between 0 and 100 with higher scores indicating better performance.						
MSCI			measure a company's mand laggards according to						nethodology to		
	AAA	8.571-10.00	0 Leader:	leading its industry in m	anaging the most s	ignificant ESG ri	sks and opportunitie	es			
	AA	7.143-8.570	)	,		g	<b></b>	-			
	Α	5.714-7.142		a mixed or unexception	al track record of m	anaging the mos	et significant ESG ris	eks and opportu	nities relative to		
	BBB	4.286-5.713	<u>-</u>	industry peers	ar a dok rooord or m	anaging the mot	n oigrimodrit 200 ric	ono ana oppona	illico foldilvo to		
	BB	2.857-4.285									
	B CCC	1.429-2.856 0.000-1.428	Laggard:	lagging its industry base	ed on its high expos	ure and failure t	o manage significan	t ESG risks			
Moody's ESG			gree to which companies	take into account ESC o	hiectives in the c	efinition and i	mnlementation of	their strateg	nolicies It		
solutions	believes that	t a company ir	ntegrating ESG factors into or shareholders over the i	to its business model and							
Refinitiv ESG rating	based on pu	blicly available	and objectively measure e and auditable data. The ta publicly. (Score ratings a	score ranges from 0 to	100 on relative E	SG performar	nce and insufficie	nt degree of t			
S&P Global							of ESG risks, op	portunities, ar	nd impacts		
	ESC Score	The S&P Global ESG Score is a relative score measuring a company's performance on and management of ESG risks, opportunities, and impacts compared to its peers within the same industry classification. The score ranges from 0 to 100.  ESG Score  Bloomberg score evaluating the company's aggregated Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) performance. The score is based on Bloomberg's view of ESG financial materiality. The score is a weighted generalized mean (power mean)									
Bloomberg	L3G 30016			mberg's view of ESG fina the weights are determin							

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Company	Ticker	Price	Rating	Valuation & Risks
Bangkok Chain Hospital	ВСН ТВ	THB 22.20	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) a slowdown in international patients due to economic concerns, political protests or floods; 2) regulatory risks from drug prices and medical bill controls; and 3) SSO provision expenses following a limited SSO budget.
Bangkok Dusit Medical Services	BDMS TB	THB 27.25	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) a slowdown in international patients due to economic concerns, political protests or floods; 2) regulatory risks from drug prices and medical bill controls; and 3) higher-than-expected capex and opex for CoE projects.
Bumrungrad Hospital	ВН ТВ	THB 241.00	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) a slowdown in international patients due to economic concerns, political protests or floods; 2) regulatory risks from drug prices and medical bill controls; and 3) higher medical fee discount promotions, leading to a weaker EBITDA margin.
Chularat Hospital	CHG TB	THB 3.18	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) a slowdown in Thai patient volume due to economic concerns; 2) regulatory risks from drug price and medical bill controls; and 3) SSO provision expenses following limited budgets from the SSO.
Praram 9 Hospital	PR9 TB	THB 17.40	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) weak patient volumes following the economic slowdown; 2) regulatory risks from drug price and medical bill controls; and 3) higher-than-expected expenses from its new building.
Thonburi Healthcare Group	THG TB	THB 48.00	HOLD	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. Downside risks include 1) regulatory risks from drug prices and medical bill controls; and 2) a slowdown in international patients due to economic concerns.
Ramkhamhaeng Hospital	RAM TB	THB 32.25	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) weak patient volumes following the economic slowdown; 2) regulatory risks from drug price and medical bill controls; and 3) losses from its subsidiary companies.

Source: FSSIA estimates

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All share prices are as at market close on 29-Jan-2024 unless otherwise stated.

#### RECOMMENDATION STRUCTURE

#### 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.

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Unless otherwise specified, these recommendations are set with a 12-month horizon. Thus, it is possible that future price volatility may cause a temporary mismatch between upside/downside for a stock based on market price and the formal recommendation.

\* In most cases, the target price will equal the analyst's assessment of the current fair value of the stock. However, if the analyst doesn't think the market will reassess the stock over the specified time horizon due to a lack of events or catalysts, then the target price may differ from fair value. In most cases, therefore, our recommendation is an assessment of the mismatch between current market price and our assessment of current fair value.

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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.

Underweight. The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be negative over the next 12 months.

#### **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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