**EQUITY RESEARCH - COMPANY REPORT** 

# CHULARAT HOSPITAL

# **CHG TB**

THAILAND / HEALTH CARE SERVICES



# UNCHANGED

TARGET PRICE THB3.90 CLOSE **THB2.88 UP/DOWNSIDE** +35.4% **PRIOR TP THB3.90 UNCHANGED CHANGE IN TP** 

TP vs CONSENSUS

+15.0%

# First sign of recovery

- After a declining earnings trend in 2023, we expect core profit to bounce back and grow again by 6% y-y to THB255m in 1Q24.
- Less loss of CHG Mae Sot and higher revenue intensity patients from CHG Medical Center are two crucial drivers for the EBITDA margin.
- Maintain BUY with a new DCF-TP of THB3.9/shr.

#### Robust top-line growth in 1Q24, led by revenue from cash patients

We expect 1Q24 revenue to grow by 17% y-y. Cash patient revenue should jump by 17-18% y-y due to a solid Thai patient volume. Meanwhile, SSO revenue should grow by 10-12% y-y due to a higher registered member base (540k in 1Q24E vs 525k in 1Q23) and a higher fixed payment rate. We also estimate CHG Mae Sot to contribute a loss of THB15m-20m, relatively in line with its 4Q23 loss of THB17m, leading the EBITDA margin to edge down to 23% (vs 24% in 1Q23). Overall, we forecast core profit to grow by 6% y-y to THB255m. Excluding loss from CHG Mae Sot, core profit would be cTHB270-275m (+13-15% y-y).

#### Two key EBITDA margin drivers in 2024

First, CHG Mae Sot, which booked cTHB15-20 loss per quarter since 2Q23, should post less loss in 2H24, subject to a complete reopening of the Mae Sot border checkpoint. Overall, we estimate CHG Mae Sot to report a THB40-50m loss in 2024 (vs THB52m in 2023). Second, CHG Medical Center should record a positive performance, especially from international patient revenue (+8-10% y-y in 1Q24E). Additionally, CHG plans to use its Radiotherapy Center, which currently serves SSO patients, to capture more patients under the civil servant welfare scheme and NHSO patients under the Cancer Anywhere scheme, which has a c50% higher reimbursement rate than the SSO scheme.

#### Expect earnings to surge by 24% to THB1.3b

We forecast core profit to jump 24% to THB1.3b in 2024, driven by an absence of provision expenses related to Covid treatments (THB46m in 2023), THB50m-60m additional core profit growth from a higher registered SSO-member base, 13-15% organic profit growth from higher international patients, and the full-year operation of CHG Medical Center.

#### Profit has passed its bottom

We maintain our forecast and DCF-TP of THB3.9/shr. CHG is trading at an attractive valuation of 24x 2024E P/E. Although the earnings saw a y-y loss nearly every quarter since 3Q22 (except 3Q23), the trend should reverse from 1Q24 onwards. Besides, we expect y-y earnings growth in every quarter this year. This would imply limited downside to the share prices, in our view.

#### **KEY STOCK DATA**

YE Dec (THB m)	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E	
Revenue	7,730	8,560	9,136	9,749	
Net profit	1,046	1,300	1,488	1,632	
EPS (THB)	0.10	0.12	0.14	0.15	
vs Consensus (%)	-	10.1	13.8	19.0	
EBITDA	1,822	2,189	2,438	2,649	
Recurring net profit	1,046	1,300	1,488	1,632	
Core EPS (THB)	0.10	0.12	0.14	0.15	
Chg. In EPS est. (%)	-	-	-	-	
EPS growth (%)	(62.4)	24.3	14.5	9.7	
Core P/E (x)	30.3	24.4	21.3	19.4	
Dividend yield (%)	2.4	2.5	2.8	3.1	
EV/EBITDA (x)	17.3	14.2	12.5	11.2	
Price/book (x)	4.2	3.9	3.6	3.3	
Net debt/Equity (%)	(8.2)	(12.1)	(18.3)	(23.8)	
ROE (%)	13.9	16.7	17.7	17.9	



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month
Absolute (%)	(1.4)	(9.4)	(17.7)
Relative to country (%)	(0.2)	(8.5)	(7.6)
Mkt cap (USD m)			856
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m)			2.2
Free float (%)			43
Major shareholder	Kar	nnikar Plus	sind (18%)
12m high/low (THB)			3.54/2.60
Issued shares (m)			11,000.00

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



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#### Investment thesis

CHG should report strong profit growth in 2024, led by a recovery in cash patient numbers coupled with its larger SSO-registered member base and pent-up demand from international patients.

CHG's revenue contributions from cash patients have gradually increased. This is another key factor for its EBITDA margin to expand, in our view, as cash patients have a higher margin than Social Security Office (SSO) patients.

CHG opened two new hospitals (CHG Mae Sot and CHG Medical Center) recently. We expect both to turn profitable by 2025 and become new growth drivers along with RPC and CHG 304 Inter, which opened in 2018.

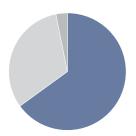
#### Company profile

CHG operates a healthcare business covering the eastern part of Bangkok and its nearby provinces. The Group owns nine hospitals and four clinics.

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# Principal activities (revenue, 2023)

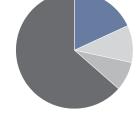
- Cash patient revenue 65.0 %
- SSO patient revenue 31.8 %
- NHSO patient revenue 3.2 %



Source: Chularat Hospital

# **Major shareholders**

- Kannikar Plussind 18.1 %
- Apirum Panyapol 10.3 %
- Kobkul Panyapol 8.0 %
- Others 63.6 %



Source: Chularat Hospital

# **Catalysts**

Key potential growth drivers include 1) more registered SSO-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 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.

### **Event calendar**

Date	Event
May 2024	1Q24 results announcement

# **Key assumptions**

	2024E	2025E	2026E
	(%)	(%)	(%)
SSO volume growth	9	1	1
SSO revenue/patient growth	3	3	3
OPD volume growth	5	4	4
OPD revenue/patient growth	5	4	4
IPD volume growth	5	4	4
IPD revenue/patient growth	5	4	4

Source: FSSIA estimates

#### Earnings sensitivity

- For every 1% increase in patient volume, we project 2024 earnings to rise by 2%, and vice versa, all else being equal.
- For every 1% increase in EBITDA margin, we project 2024 earnings to rise by 3%, and vice versa, all else being equal.

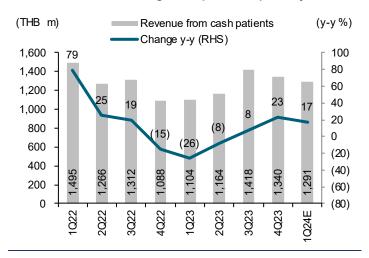
Source: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 1: CHG - 1Q24 results preview

	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	1Q24E	Cha	nge	2023	2024E	Change (y-y %)
	(THB m)	(q-q %)	(y-y %)	(THB m)	(THB m)					
Revenue	1,716	1,799	2,093	2,123	2,013	(5)	17	7,730	8,560	1
Cost of sales (Incl. depreciation)	(1,276)	(1,380)	(1,486)	(1,580)	(1,520)	(4)	19	(5,723)	(6,212)	
Gross profit	440	418	607	543	493	(9)	12	2,008	2,347	1
SG&A	(200)	(222)	(246)	(243)	(234)	(3)	17	(911)	(957)	
Operating profit	240	196	361	300	259	(14)	8	1,097	1,390	2
Other operating income	73	70	77	65	76	17	5	284	295	
Interest income	1	3	1	4	4			9	6	(30
Equity income	(3)	(2)	(5)	(9)	(5)	(43)	45	(19)	(10)	(48
EBIT	309	267	434	361	334	(7)	8	1,370	1,682	2
Interest expense	(4)	(5)	(7)	(9)	(9)	0	114	(24)	(18)	(20
EBT	305	262	427	352	325	(8)	7	1,346	1,664	2
Income tax	(60)	(56)	(90)	(73)	(65)	(11)	8	(279)	(342)	2
Minority interests	(5)	(0)	(11)	(5)	(5)	0	3	(21)	(22)	
Core profit	240	206	326	274	255	(7)	6	1,046	1,300	2
Extraordinaries										
Net income	240	206	326	274	255	(7)	6	1,046	1,300	2
Core EPS (THB)	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	(7)	6	0.10	0.12	2
No of shares (m)	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	0	0	11,000	11,000	
Cost (Excl. depreciation)	(1,177)	(1,276)	(1,370)	(1,459)	(1,397)	(4)	19	(5,282)	(5,709)	
Depreciation & amortization	(99)	(104)	(117)	(121)	(123)	2	25	(441)	(503)	1
EBITDA	411	370	554	486	458	(6)	11	1,822	2,189	2
Key ratios	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(ppt)	(ppt)	(%)	(%)	(рр
Gross margin	26	23	29	26	25	(1)	(1)	26	27	
SG&A/Revenue	12	12	12	11	12	0	(0)	12	11	(
EBITDA margin	24	21	26	23	23	(0)	(1)	24	26	
Net profit margin	14	11	16	13	13	(0)	(1)	14	15	
Operating stats	(y-y %)	(y-y %)	(y-y %)	(y-y %)						
SSO revenue	19	23	8	11						
SSO registered members ('000)	525	528	529	530						
SSO revenue per head	10	17	5	8						
Cash-OPD revenue	(41)	(20)	(6)	24						
Cash-OPD visit number	(19)	(7)	2	11						
Cash-OPD revenue per head	(26)	(13)	(8)	12						
Cash-IPD revenue	(5)	5	24	22						
Cash-IPD admission number	9	30	29	29						
Cash-IPD revenue per head	(13)	(19)	(4)	(6)						

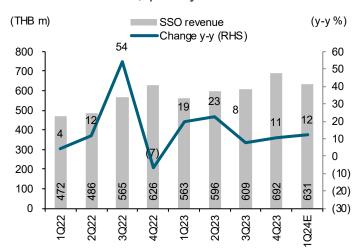
Sources: CHG; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 2: Revenue from general patients, quarterly



Note: Includes National Health Security Office (NHSO) revenue mainly from Heart Center Sources: CHG; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 3: SSO revenue, quarterly



Note: Includes additional gain from chronic disease treatments of THB34m in 4Q22, THB190m in 4Q21, THB25m in 3Q20, and THB74m in 3Q19 Sources: CHG; FSSIA estimates

# Exhibit 4: EBITDA margin

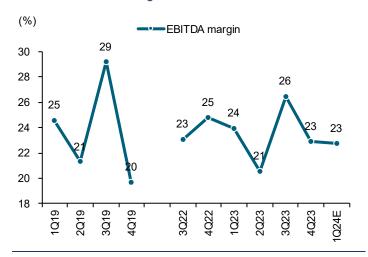
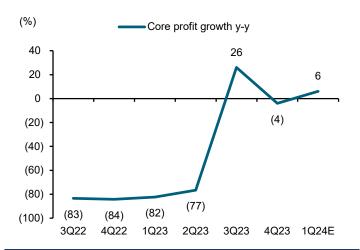


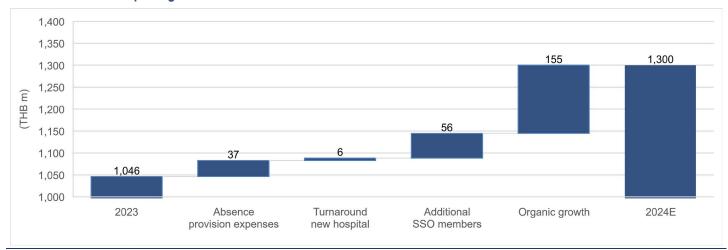
Exhibit 5: Earnings growth y-y trend



Sources: CHG; FSSIA estimates

Source: CHG; FSSIA estimates

### Exhibit 6: 2024E core profit growth breakdown



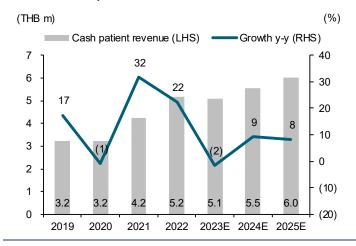
Note: Applied 20% tax for each item Source: FSSIA estimates

# Exhibit 7: 2024E key earnings growth assumptions

Key growth items	Assumptions
Absence of provision expenses	CHG booked provision expenses and a revenue reversal related to Covid treatments totaling THB46m in 2023. We expect no provision expense in 2024.
Turnaround of new hospital	Expect CHG Mae Sot's losses to narrow from THB52m in 2023 to THB40-50m in 2024.
Additional SSO members	Expect registered members to increase by 40k in 2024 with average revenue per head of THB4,700-4,800 and an EBITDA margin of 35-38% for additional SSO revenue.
Organic growth	Expect core profit growth of 13-15%, driven by higher revenue intensity from International Medical Center and CHG Medical Center.

Source: FSSIA estimates

#### **Exhibit 8: Cash patient revenue**



Sources: CHG; FSSIA estimates

#### **Exhibit 9: SSO revenue**



Sources: CHG; FSSIA estimates

#### Exhibit 10: Historical P/E band



 $Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA\ estimates$ 

#### Exhibit 11: Historical P/BV band



 $Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA\ estimates$ 

Exhibit 12: Peer comparisons as of 29 Apr 2024

Company	BBG	Rec		Share price	)	Market	PI	≣	RC	)E	PBV		- EV/ EBITDA -	
			Current	Target	Upside	Сар	24E	25E	24E	25E	24E	25E	24E	25E
			(LCY)	(LCY)	(%)	(USD m)	(x)	(x)	(%)	(%)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)
Thailand														
Bangkok Dusit Med Service	BDMS TB	BUY	28.75	35.00	21.7	12,340	27.8	25.5	16.8	17.3	4.5	4.3	16.9	15.3
Bumrungrad Hospital	вн тв	BUY	246.00	305.00	24.0	5,281	26.5	24.9	28.8	26.8	7.1	6.3	17.6	16.4
Bangkok Chain Hospital	BCH TB	BUY	20.90	25.00	19.6	1,408	29.7	25.7	13.5	14.5	3.9	3.6	15.8	13.8
Chularat Hospital	CHG TB	BUY	2.88	3.90	35.4	856	24.4	21.3	16.7	17.7	3.9	3.6	14.2	12.5
Praram 9 Hospital	PR9 TB	BUY	19.50	24.00	23.1	414	23.4	21.3	12.4	12.6	2.8	2.6	11.7	10.5
Thonburi Healthcare Group	THG TB	HOLD	39.75	44.00	10.7	910	41.4	34.5	7.8	9.1	3.2	3.1	18.1	16.3
Ramkhamhaeng Hospital	RAM TB	BUY	31.75	46.00	44.9	1,029	21.7	18.9	9.3	10.2	2.0	1.9	26.4	21.1
Rajthanee Hospital	RJH TB	n/a	25.25	n/a	n/a	206	18.0	18.5	19.1	18.8	5.1	3.3	13.2	12.4
Ekachai Medical Care	EKH TB	n/a	7.65	n/a	n/a	149	19.3	19.0	14.6	13.3	5.7	2.6	10.4	9.7
Thailand average						22,592	25.8	23.3	15.4	15.6	4.2	3.5	16.0	14.2
Regional														
Ramsay Health Care	RHC AU	n/a	52.25	n/a	n/a	7,841	35.3	39.0	8.6	7.1	2.9	2.9	11.6	10.8
Ihh Healthcare Bhd	IHH SP	n/a	1.81	n/a	n/a	11,713	35.1	31.9	6.3	5.9	2.4	2.0	14.6	13.8
Ryman Healthcare	RYM NZ	n/a	4.07	n/a	n/a	1,664	8.1	10.2	7.5	7.0	0.9	0.6	11.2	17.9
Apollo Hospitals Enterprise	APHS IN	n/a	5,968	n/a	n/a	10,288	102.1	92.9	13.8	14.0	23.6	13.3	42.1	37.3
Kpj Healthcare Berhad	KPJ MK	n/a	2.02	n/a	n/a	1,848	38.1	30.1	10.2	11.6	4.5	3.8	15.8	14.3
Raffles Medical Group	RFMD SP	n/a	1.00	n/a	n/a	1,362	20.8	25.6	8.6	7.1	2.2	1.8	10.2	12.1
Mitra Keluarga Karyasehat	MIKA IJ	n/a	2,900	n/a	n/a	2,543	42.8	36.7	17.1	18.4	8.5	6.9	26.1	23.2
Aier Eye Hospital Group	300015 CH	n/a	12.90	n/a	n/a	16,618	34.1	28.4	18.3	19.3	13.8	5.9	20.4	17.2
Regional average						53,877	39.5	36.9	11.3	11.3	7.4	4.7	19.0	18.3
Overall average						76,469	32.3	29.7	13.5	13.6	5.7	4.0	17.4	16.2

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

# **Financial Statements**

Chularat Hospital

Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Revenue	10,103	7,730	8,560	9,136	9,749
Cost of goods sold	(5,908)	(5,723)	(6,212)	(6,544)	(6,933)
Gross profit	4,195	2,008	2,347	2,592	2,815
Other operating income	305	284	295	304	313
Operating costs	(935)	(911)	(957)	(994)	(1,051)
Operating EBITDA	3,947	1,822	2,189	2,438	2,649
Depreciation	(382)	(441)	(503)	(536)	(572)
Goodwill amortisation	-	-	-	-	-
Operating EBIT	3,565	1,381	1,686	1,902	2,078
Net financing costs	(10)	(15)	(12)	3	5
Associates	(1)	(19)	(10)	(4)	1
Recurring non-operating income	(1)	(19)	(10)	(4)	1
Non-recurring items	0	0	0	0	0
Profit before tax	3,554	1,346	1,664	1,901	2,084
Tax	(703)	(279)	(342)	(389)	(426)
Profit after tax	2,850	1,067	1,322	1,512	1,658
Minority interests	(72)	(21)	(22)	(24)	(26)
Preferred dividends	-	-	-	-	-
Other items	-	-	-	-	-
Reported net profit	2,778	1,046	1,300	1,488	1,632
Non-recurring items & goodwill (net)	0	0	0	0	0
Recurring net profit	2,778	1,046	1,300	1,488	1,632
Per share (THB)					
Recurring EPS *	0.25	0.10	0.12	0.14	0.15
Reported EPS	0.25	0.10	0.12	0.14	0.15
DPS	0.16	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.09
Diluted shares (used to calculate per share data)	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
Growth					
Revenue (%)	(14.0)	(23.5)	10.7	6.7	6.7
Operating EBITDA (%)	(30.1)	(53.8)	20.2	11.4	8.6
Operating EBIT (%)	(32.7)	(61.3)	22.1	12.8	9.2
Recurring EPS (%)	(33.9)	(62.4)	24.3	14.5	9.7
Reported EPS (%)	(33.9)	(62.4)	24.3	14.5	9.7
Operating performance					
Gross margin inc. depreciation (%)	41.5	26.0	27.4	28.4	28.9
Gross margin exc. depreciation (%)	45.3	31.7	33.3	34.2	34.7
Operating EBITDA margin (%)	39.1	23.6	25.6	26.7	27.2
Operating EBIT margin (%)	35.3	17.9	19.7	20.8	21.3
Net margin (%)	27.5	13.5	15.2	16.3	16.7
Effective tax rate (%)	19.8	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	63.3	73.6	60.0	60.0	60.0
Interest cover (X)	349.5	88.7	143.2	(729.4)	(382.9)
Inventory days	18.5	20.8	22.4	22.7	22.6
Debtor days	24.8	38.5	39.1	38.3	35.9
Creditor days	55.9	60.3	59.5	60.2	60.0
Operating ROIC (%)	47.1	15.9	18.4	20.5	22.2
ROIC (%)	45.1	14.9	17.5	19.6	21.3
ROE (%)	36.8	13.9	16.7	17.7	17.9
ROA (%)	27.4	10.5	13.0	14.2	14.5
* Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted					
Revenue by Division (THB m)	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Cash patient revenue	5,160	5,025	5,541	5,993	6,482
SSO patient revenue	2,149	2,461	2,763	2,875	2,990
NHSO patient revenue	2,794	244	256	269	277

Sources: Chularat Hospital; FSSIA estimates

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Chularat Hospital

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Cash Flow (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Recurring net profit	2,778	1,046	1,300	1,488	1,632
Depreciation	382	441	503	536	572
Associates & minorities	-	-	-	-	-
Other non-cash items	117	30	22	24	26
Change in working capital	(696)	435	(147)	(43)	(41)
Cash flow from operations	2,582	1,951	1,678	2,006	2,188
Capex - maintenance	(777)	(1,451)	(514)	(548)	(585)
Capex - new investment	-	-	-	-	-
let acquisitions & disposals	(142)	19	0	0	0
Other investments (net)	-		-	-	-
Cash flow from investing	(919)	(1,432)	(514)	(548)	(585)
Dividends paid	(2,805)	(1,045)	(770)	(780)	(893)
Equity finance	0	0	(705)	0	0
Debt finance	356	(120)	(705)	0	(20)
Other financing cash flows	(3)	44	(22)	(24)	(26)
Cash flow from financing	(2,452)	(1,121)	(1,497)	(804)	(919)
Non-recurring cash flows Other adjustments	0	0	0	0	0
let other adjustments	0	0	0	0	0
Novement in cash	(789)	(601)	(333)	653	685
ree cash flow to firm (FCFF)	1,679.02	543.33	1,181.99	1,459.48	1,605.58
Free cash flow to equity (FCFE)	2,016.07	443.25	436.94	1,432.98	1,577.12
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Per share (THB)					
CFF per share	0.15	0.05	0.11	0.13	0.15
FCFE per share	0.18 0.30	0.04	0.04	0.13	0.14
Recurring cash flow per share	0.30	0.14	0.17	0.19	0.20
Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Cangible fixed assets (grass)	7 067	0.210	0.931	10.270	10.064
Fangible fixed assets (gross)	7,867	9,318	9,831	10,379	10,964
ess: Accumulated depreciation	(2,987)	(3,414)	(3,917) <b>5,914</b>	(4,453)	(5,025) <b>5,939</b>
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ong-term financial assets	-	104	104	104	104
nvest. in associates & subsidiaries	142	122	122	122	122
Cash & equivalents	2,001	1,399	1,066	1,719	2,404
A/C receivable	757	874	960	960	960
nventories	265	336	364	383	405
Other current assets	2,036	1,436	1,590	1,697	1,811
Current assets	5,058	4,046	3,980	4,759	5,580
Other assets	152	88	88	88	88
Total assets	10,280	10,264	10,209	11,000	11,834
Common equity	7,523	7,525	8,054	8,762	9,501
Minorities etc.	341	406	406	406	406
Total shareholders' equity	7,864	7,931	8,461	9,168	9,908
Long term debt	470	705	0	0	0
Other long-term liabilities	233	247	247	247	247
Long-term liabilities	704	953	247	247	247
A/C payable	851	894	966	1,017	1,077
Short term debt	400	45	45	45	45
Other current liabilities	462	442	490	522	558
Current liabilities	1,712	1,381	1,501	1,584	1,679
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	10,280	10,264	10,209	11,000	11,834
Net working capital	1,745	1,311	1,458	1,500	1,542
nvested capital	6,967	7,529	7,687	7,741	7,796
Includes convertibles and preferred stock which is be	ing treated as debt				
Per share (THB)					
Book value per share	0.68	0.68	0.73	0.80	0.86
Fangible book value per share	0.68	0.67	0.72	0.79	0.85
inancial strength					
let debt/equity (%)	(14.4)	(8.2)	(12.1)	(18.3)	(23.8)
Net debt/total assets (%)	(11.0)	(6.3)	(10.0)	(15.2)	(19.9)
Current ratio (x)	3.0	2.9	2.7	3.0	3.3
CF interest cover (x)	198.7	29.9	38.3	(549.5)	(289.5)
/aluation	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Recurring P/E (x) *	11.4	30.3	24.4	21.3	19.4
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	15.4	41.0	33.0	28.8	26.3
Reported P/E (x)	11.4	30.3	24.4	21.3	19.4
Dividend yield (%)	5.6	2.4	2.5	2.8	3.1
Price/book (x)	4.2	4.2	3.9	3.6	3.3
Price/tangible book (x)	4.2	4.3	4.0	3.7	3.4
• , ,			440	12.5	11.2
EV/EBITDA (x) **	7.8	17.3	14.2		
EV/EBITDA (x) ** EV/EBITDA @ target price (x) **	10.7	23.4	19.3	17.1	15.5
EV/EBITDA (x) ** EV/EBITDA @ target price (x) ** EV/invested capital (x)		23.4 4.2	19.3 4.0	17.1 3.9	15.5

Sources: Chularat Hospital; FSSIA estimates

# **Chularat Hospital PCL (CHG TB)**



# Exhibit 13: FSSIA ESG score implication

38.25 /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 14: ESG – peer comparison

	FSSIA			Domes	stic 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				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				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 15: ESG score by Bloomberg

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
ESG financial materiality scores - ESG score	_	_	2.21	2.34
BESG environmental pillar score	_	_	4.04	4.18
BESG social pillar score	_	_	0.74	0.79
BESG governance pillar score	_	_	4.19	4.49
ESG disclosure score	36.82	36.82	41.54	50.24
Environmental disclosure score	16.49	16.49	17.67	32.92
Social disclosure score	12.70	12.70	19.41	30.29
Governance disclosure score	81.10	81.10	87.36	87.36
Environmental				
Emissions reduction initiatives	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Climate change policy	No	No	Yes	Yes
Climate change opportunities discussed	No	No	No	No
Risks of climate change discussed	No	No	No	No
GHG scope 1	0	0	0	0
GHG scope 2 location-based	4	4	4	4
GHG Scope 3	1	1	1	1
Carbon per unit of production	_	_	_	_
Biodiversity policy	No	No	No	No
Energy efficiency policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Total energy consumption	_	_	_	_
Renewable energy use	_	_	_	_
Electricity used	4	4	4	7
Fuel used - natural gas	_	_	_	_

 $Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's \ compilation$ 

Exhibit 16: ESG score by Bloomberg (cont.)

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 202
Fuel used - crude oil/diesel	No	No	No	N
Waste reduction policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Hazardous waste	0	0	0	
Total waste	1	1	1	
Waste recycled	0	0	0	
Waste sent to landfills	_	_	_	
Environmental supply chain management	No	No	No	1
Water policy	No	No	Yes	Y
Water consumption	89	73	80	
Social				
Human rights policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Υ
Policy against child labor	Yes	Yes	Yes	Υ
Quality assurance and recall policy	No	No	No	1
Consumer data protection policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Υ
Equal opportunity policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Y
Gender pay gap breakout	No	No	No	1
Pct women in workforce	_	_	84	
Pct disabled in workforce	_	_	_	
Business ethics policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Υ
Anti-bribery ethics policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Υ
Health and safety policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Υ
Lost time incident rate - employees	_	_	_	
Total recordable incident rate - employees	_	_	_	
Training policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Y
Fair remuneration policy	No	No	No	•
Number of employees – CSR	3,612	3,616	3,871	4,5
Employee turnover pct		5,616 —	20	4,0
Total hours spent by firm - employee training	_	_	32,904	85,8
Social supply chain management	No	No	No	00,0
Governance	140	140	140	
Board size	12	12	12	
	4	4	4	
No. of independent directors (ID)  No. of women on board	2	2	2	
	11		11	
No. of non-executive directors on board		11		,
Company conducts board evaluations	Yes	Yes	Yes	Υ
No. of board meetings for the year	6	7	7	
Board meeting attendance pct	100	100	95	1
Board duration (years)	3	3	3	
Director share ownership guidelines	No	No	No	
Age of the youngest director	60	62	63	
Age of the oldest director	77	78	79	
No. of executives / company managers	6	6	6	
No. of female executives	2	2	2	
Executive share ownership guidelines	No	No	No	
Size of audit committee	3	3	3	
No. of ID on audit committee	3	3	3	
Audit committee meetings	5	5	5	
Audit meeting attendance %	100	100	100	1
Size of compensation committee	5	5	5	
No. of ID on compensation committee	4	4	4	
No. of compensation committee meetings	2	2	2	
Compensation meeting attendance %	100	100	83	1
Size of nomination committee	5	5	5	
No. of nomination committee meetings	2	2	2	
Nomination meeting attendance %	100	100	83	1
Sustainability governance				
Verification type	No	No	No	

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

# **Disclaimer for ESG scoring**

ESG score	Methodolog	у			Rating				
The Dow Jones Sustainability Indices ( <u>DJSI</u> ) By S&P Global	process bas from the ann	ed on the comp nual S&P Globa	ransparent, rules-based panies' Total Sustainabili Il Corporate Sustainabili nies within each industry	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 nvestment List (THSI) by The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET)	managing b Candidates 1) no irregul float of >150 up capital. S 70%; 2) inde wrongdoing	usiness with tra must pass the p ar trading of the shareholders, some key disque ependent directorelated to CG, s	ty in Environmental and nsparency in Governand preemptive criteria, with a board members and expand combined holding nalifying criteria include: 1 fors and free float violatic social & environmental in trinings 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 THSI inclusion, 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.  SETTHSI Index 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 nstitute of Directors Association Thai IOD)	annually by Thailand (SI	the Thai IOD, w	in sustainable developn vith support from the Sto are from the perspectiv	ck Exchange of	Scores are rated in six categories: 5 for Excellent (90-100), 4 for Very Good (80-89), 3 for Good (70-79), 2 for Fair (60-69), 1 for Pass (60-69), and not rated for scores below 50. Weightings include: 1) the rights; 2) and equitable treatment of shareholders (weight 25% combined); 3) the role of stakeholders (25%); 4) disclosure & transparency (15%); and 5) board responsibilities (35%).				
AGM level By Thai nvestors Association (TIA) with support from the SEC	treatment ar transparent out of five th criteria cove date (45%), circulation of s exercised. The and verifiability	quantifies the extent to which shareholders' rights and equitable eatment are incorporated into business operations and information is ansparent and sufficiently disclosed. All form important elements of two ut of five the CG components to be evaluated annually. The assessment riteria cover AGM procedures before the meeting (45%), at the meeting ate (45%), and after the meeting (10%). (The first assesses 1) advance inculation of sufficient information for voting; and 2) facilitating how voting rights can be xercised. 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 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)	establishme policies. The (Companies of Declaration of Certification, in managers and	nt of key control  e Certification is  leciding to become  intent to kick off a  ncluding risk asse.	hecklist include corruptions, and the monitoring as good for three years.  e a CAC certified member stem 18-month deadline to subsement, in place of policy are blishment of whistleblowing stakeholders.)	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 ar risk is unma	n assessment of naged. <i>Sources</i>	SG risk rating provides an overall company score nent of how much of a company's exposure to ESG purces to be reviewed include corporate publications and and other media, NGO reports/websites, multi-sector				score is the sum higher ESG risk		ed risk. The
	information, company feedback, ESG controversies, issuer feedback on draft ESG reports, and quality & peer reviews.		<b>NEGL</b> 0-10	<b>Low</b> 10-20	Medium 20-30	<b>High</b> 30-40	Severe 40+		
ESG Book	positioned to the principle helps explai over-weighti	o outperform ov of financial ma n future risk-adj	ustainable companies the er the long term. The moteriality including informate usted performance. Mather higher materiality and by basis.	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.					
<u>MSCI</u>				anagement of financially their exposure to ESG ris					nethodology to
	AAA	8.571-10.000	Landon	to a discontinuity in decident in the		:£+ F00 -:	-1 1		
	AA	7.143-8.570	Leader:	leading its industry in m	anaying trie most s	yıllıdık ESG fi	sks and opportunitie	75	
	<b>A</b> 5.714-7.142								
	BBB	4.286-5.713	Average:	a mixed or unexceptional industry peers	onal track record of managing the most significant ESG risks and opportunities relative to				
	ВВ	2.857-4.285		, .					
	В	1.429-2.856	Laggard:	lagging its industry base	stry based on its high exposure and failure to manage significant ESG risks				
	CCC 0.000-1.428		55 5yg and a manage of manage o						
Moody's ESG olutions	believes tha	t a company int		take into account ESG of to its business model and medium to long term.					
Refinitiv ESG ating	based on pu	ıblicly available	and auditable data. The	a company's relative ES score ranges from 0 to re 0 to 25 = poor; >25 to 50	100 on relative E	SG performar	nce and insufficie	nt degree of t	
S&P Global				suring a company's perfo sification. The score ran			of ESG risks, op	portunities, ar	impacts
Bloomberg	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) of Pillar Scores, where the weights are determined by the pillar priority ranking. Values range from 0 to 10; 10 is the best.								

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Company	Ticker	Price	Rating	Valuation & Risks
Chularat Hospital	CHG TB	THB 2.88	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.
Bangkok Dusit Medical Services	BDMS TB	THB 28.75	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 246.00	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.
Bangkok Chain Hospital	ВСН ТВ	THB 20.90	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.
Praram 9 Hospital	PR9 TB	THB 19.50	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 39.75	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 31.75	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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