

**Sector Preview | Vietnam Healthcare** 

Seeking Expansion to Seize the Growth Potential of Private Healthcare Market

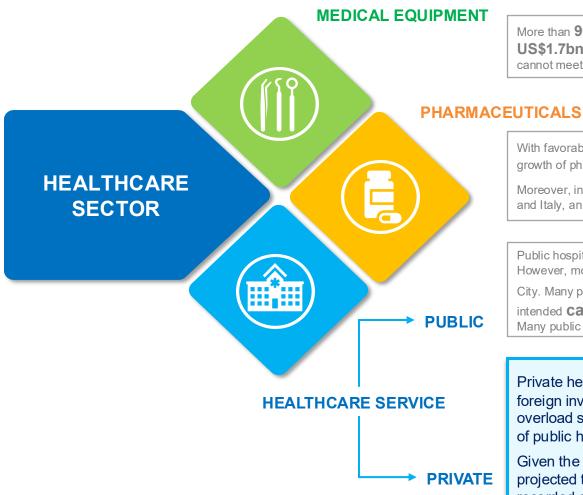
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# Private healthcare sector is a crucial part of Vietnam's healthcare system,

anticipated to experience exponential growth in the future

Figure 1: Market Structure and Description of Vietnam Healthcare Sector, 2024



More than **90%** of medical equipment in Vietnam is imported, and the medical device market was estimated to reach **US\$1.7bn** in 2024. The Vietnamese government encourages the import of medical equipment because local production cannot meet the demands.

With favorable demographics and an ambition to provide universal healthcare across Vietnam, the prospects for the growth of pharmaceutical sales in Vietnam, which was estimated to achieve **US\$7.6bn** in 2024.

Moreover, in 2024, Vietnam spent nearly **US\$4.4bn** to import pharmaceuticals from France, the US, Germany, India and Italy, an increase of nearly two times compared to 2022.

Public hospitals dominate the healthcare system and account for **86%** of the total number of hospitals in Vietnam. However, most hospitals are outdated and face chronic overcrowding, and are mainly located in Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh

City. Many public hospitals in major cities handle as much as 60% of the nation's patients and function at **200%** of their intended **capacity**.

Many public hospitals lack sufficient equipment for surgery and intensive care units

Private healthcare expenditure is expected to expand at **7.5%** CAGR 2025-2030 with the surge in foreign investment, driven by the rapid growth of the middle class, rising citizens' health concerns, overload situation in public sector and the Government's target of mitigating the overload situation of public hospitals.

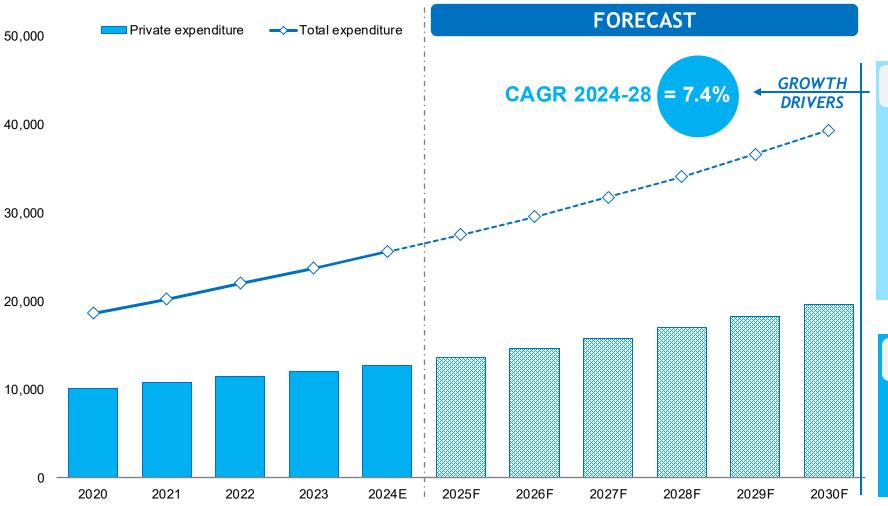
Given the rising demand & increasing medical treatment abroad in Vietnam, private healthcare is projected to be an emerging sector in the future. Particularly, the private healthcare sector has recorded a large investment wave over the last few years including new investment/expansion and M&A.

Source: Fiin Group

# Spending on private healthcare is projected to remain high-growth trend

with CAGR 2025-2030F reaching 7.5%

Figure 2: Healthcare Expenditure (US\$mn) in Vietnam, 2019 - 2028F



## Favorable demographic

- Solid GDP growth, disposable income, and household spending.
  - ✓ 20% of household spending in major cities is for health.
- Population shift from golden to an aging period: Vietnam is entering a period where the population is aging faster, according to the UN.

## Rising demand for health

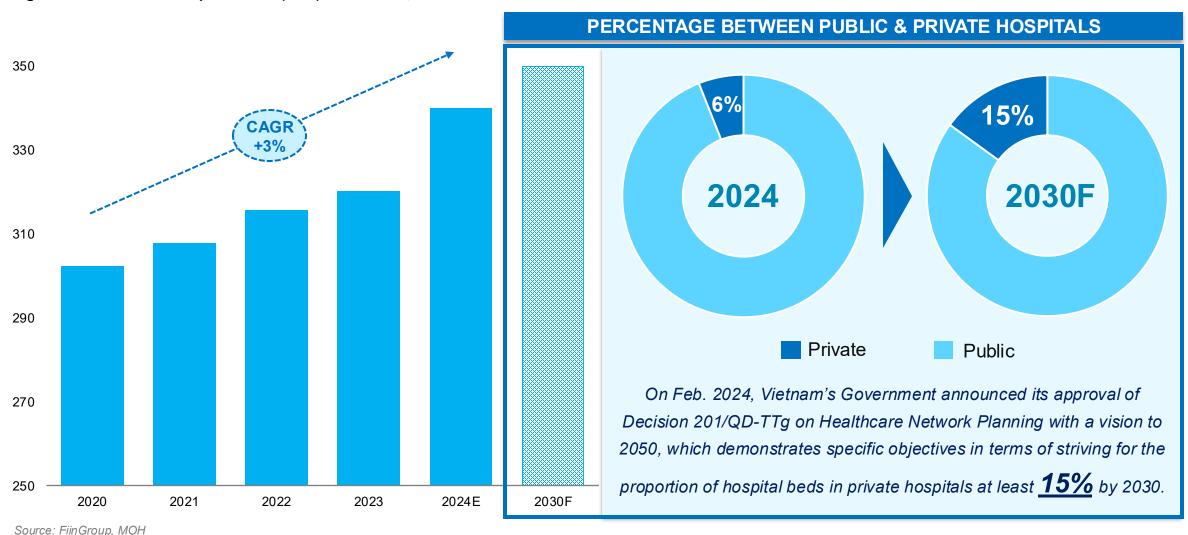
 Increased awareness and education about health and wellness are encouraging more people to seek medical care, preventive services, and health insurance.

Source: Fiin Group, BMI

# Private hospitals' growth is propelled robustly by Vietnam's Government

in order to mitigate the overloading situation at public hospitals

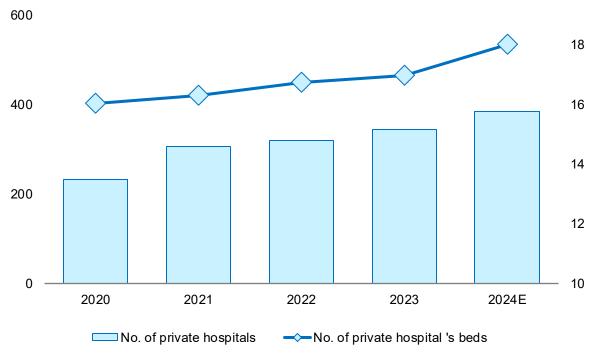
Figure 3: Number of Hospital Beds ('000) in Vietnam, 2020 - 2030F



# Major private hospitals have been witnessing double-digit growth recently

by boosting their presence through expansion plans & investments

Figure 4: Number of Private Hospitals and Private Hospital Beds ('000) in Vietnam, 2020 – 2024E



MAJOR PRIVATE HOSPITALS				
Hospital	# patients	# beds	Net sales 2023	
	Per day visit		Value (US\$mn)	CAGR 2021-2023
VINMEC INTERNATIONAL HOSPITAL	200,000	928	188.5	19.3%
FV	1,500	220	76.0	8.9%
HONG NGOC Hospital	1,200	500	74.7	60.4%
Tâm Anh Hospital	1,000	100	58.8	34.8%
AW HWH BENH AIỆN ĐƠ KHOƠ	1,200	150	42.9	34.4%

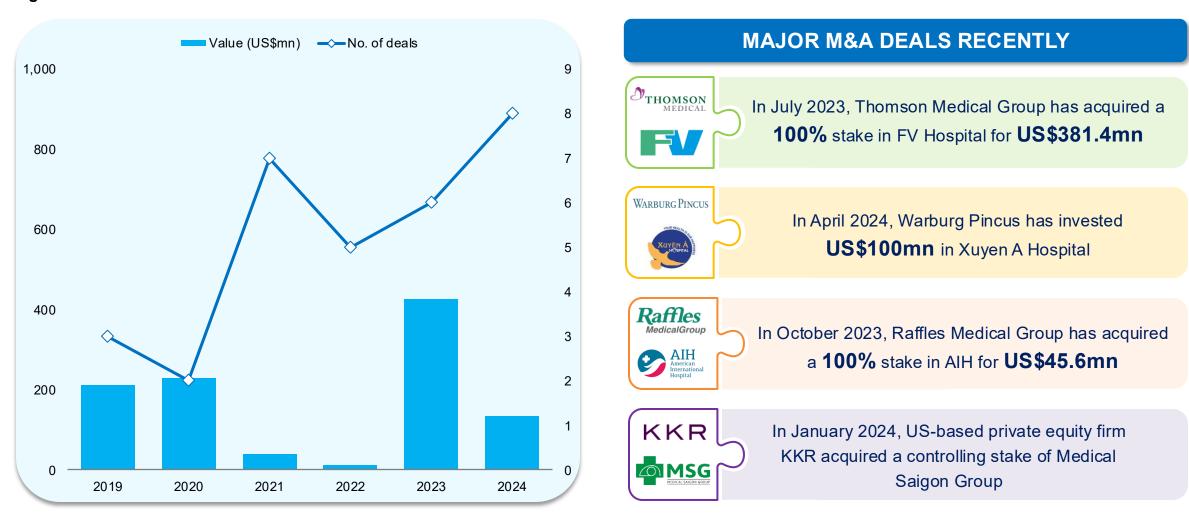
Source: FiinGroup, MOH

- In recent years, the private hospital system has seen significant growth, with substantial investments in resources, facilities, equipment, and specialized techniques aimed at attracting a large number of patients.
- In order to curb the trend of Vietnamese people seeking medical care overseas &, attracting foreign patients, Vietnam is planning to upgrade 6 private hospitals to international standards including *Bach Mai Hospital, Vietnamese-German Hospital, Central Military Hospital 108, Cho Ray Hospital, Hue Central Hospital, and one more hospital in HCMC*.

# Heathcare service emerged as the sector with the rising M&A activity

in terms of both transaction value and volume

Figure 5: Overview of M&A Market in the Healthcare Services Sector\* in Vietnam



Source: Fiin Group

Note (\*): FiinGroup excluded M&A deals in pharmaceutical & medical equipment from the calculation

# An ageing population, emerging citizen income, and rising health concern

are the key growth drivers to boost the private healthcare sector in the future



## INCREASING DISPOSABLE INCOME

□ (i) GDP per capita is expected to reach nearly US\$7,500 in 2030, and (ii) the rising disposable income is expected to create a favorable impact on the private healthcare sector in Vietnam.

## Average Disposable Income per Capita (US\$)

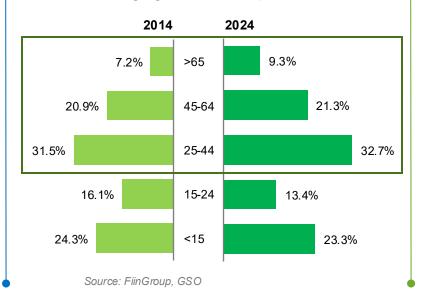




### **AGING POPULATION STRUCTURE**

- □ The population shift from golden to aging period. However, Vietnam is entering a period where the population is aging faster.
- ☐ Therefore, demand for healthcare services is expected to rise from aging population.

## The Aging Vietnam's Population Structure





### RISING HEALTHCARE AWARENESS

- Overloading of public sector: Many public hospitals in major cities handle as much as 60% of the nation's patients and function at 200% of their intended capacity.
- □ Increased Health Spending: Vietnamese households are increasingly prioritizing healthcare in their budgets. According to the World Bank, out-of-pocket health expenditure in Vietnam was about 46% of total health expenditure.
- □ Growth in Health Insurance Coverage:
  As of 2022, around **91%** of the population was covered by health insurance, up from **70%** in 2010.
- □ Preventive Healthcare: Awareness campaigns on early detection & prevention of diseases have been launched. For instance, vaccination rates for diseases like measles have been above 90%.

# Digital healthcare & medical tourism are the key development trends

in Vietnam's healthcare sector in the upcoming time

## DIGITAL HEALTHCARE

- The decrease in direct interaction due to the pandemic has brought healthtech into the spotlight.
- Remote medical examinations and digitalization of medical records have been among the key focuses of healthtech startups.





# ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS (EHRs)

 The push towards digitizing patient records is gaining momentum, aiming for more efficient healthcare delivery and better patient outcomes



## **MEDICAL TOURISM**

- Currently, Vietnamese citizens spend US\$2bn on health treatment abroad, demonstrating a huge demand for high-quality medical services. Therefore, it is recorded an ample room for growth by the private sector to explore the market demand.
- Vietnam is emerging for medical tourism in major cities to attract international patients. Hence, Vietnam offers relatively affordable medical services compared to SEA nations. For example, heart bypass surgery costs
   U\$10,000-U\$\$15,000 in Vietnam whereas in Thailand it costs U\$\$25,000-U\$\$30,000
- Many businesses are also moving to develop medical tourism products. SacoTravel company is offering such services as health examination & aesthetic dental care for tourists.

## UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE (UHC)

- Vietnam has been making strides toward achieving UHC, with efforts to expand health insurance coverage to more of the population.
- The government aims to have **100%** of the population covered by health insurance in the near future.



How can we assist potential investors in unlocking the potentials of private healthcare sector in Vietnam



# FiinGroup at a glance / Business Portfolio

# Integrated provider of financial data, industry research and credit rating services

- FiinPro Platform
- FiinTrade Platform
- API Datafeed

- Industry Report
- Customized Research
- Commercial Due Diligence
- Market Entry Advisory
- Merger Filling Support



- Business Credit Report
- FiinGate Platform
- DataMart Solutions

- Issuer and Instrument Credit Ratings
- Credit Assessment and Due Diligence
- Green Bond Verification







## **Investor Services**/ How can we assist potential investors in unlocking the potential of the Vietnamese market?

We support our clients to penetrate or expand their business in Vietnam, looking for investment targets or trusted trading partners via comprehensive and in-depth expertise

## **Industry Report**

On-the-shelf industry reports providing clients with comprehensive information and in-depth analysis about market size, historical and forecasted growth, market share, market segmentation, competitive landscape, regulatory and policy framework, key growth drivers and key development trends, key player in-depth analysis to help assess the market's attractiveness and growth potentials.

## **Customized Market Research**

Customized market study upon specific requirements by clients in addition to value-added services including investment target sourcing, company visits, and/or business matching.

## **Commercial Due Diligence**

In-depth analysis of target company's market environment, competitive landscaping, its business attractiveness, and market positioning in M&A transaction. Thorough assessments of business risks and their impacts on the target's assumptions and business plans

## **Market Entry Advisory**

Support of investors and/or entrepreneurs to explore investment or trading opportunities and develop optimal market entry strategies (i.e. M&A, Joint Venture, Minority Equity Investments, Foreign Direct Investments, Trading or any other partnership structure with local partners) with actionable recommendations for all stages in their business journey in Vietnam.

## **Merger Filling Support**

Comprehensive merger filing support services to clients throughout a merger process, focusing on economic concentration and anti-competitive effect assessment.

## Main Clients:

- Foreign and local corporate clients
- Institutional investors
- Financial Institutions

## Usage:

- Market potential assessment
- Business intelligence review
- Investment target screening
- Trade connection/Business Matching



## Investor Services/ Track record in Healthcare Sector



## Client's request

- > JBIC was looking for potential opportunities in healthcare sectors for Japanese investors and engaged FiinGroup to conduct comprehensive market research on Vietnam Healthcare sector.
- > Project Name: Market Research on Vietnam Healthcare Market: Healthcare services (Hospital & clinics), Medical devices, Health insurance & Pharmaceutical.

## Name of service

Customized Market Research

## FiinGroup's deliverables

- ✓ In-depth analysis on Vietnam Private Healthcare sector, particularly focusing on the operating environment and competitive landscape for private sector in the following areas including hospital, clinics and the oncology and diagnostics services such as imaging centers.
- ✓ Identification of potential opportunities for JBIC including equipment providers, equity investors and opportunities for Japanese investors to collaborate or invest.
- ✓ Matching with the leading hospitals in Vietnam



## Client's request

> NTT Data considered to expand their business to Hospital Information System ("HIS") in Vietnam and engaged FiinGroup to conduct a market research on HIS market in order to validate market opportunities and the current competitive landscape.

## Name of service

Customized Market Research

## FiinGroup's deliverables

- ✓ Overview of HIS market in Vietnam including sector overview, market size & growth, competition landscape, product offering and indepth analysis of top 5 HIS providers
- ✓ Current situation of HIS application including IT infrastructure, IT budget and key findings on HIS selection procedure applied by hospitals in Vietnam.
- ✓ In-depth analysis on HIS demand in Vietnam including unmet needs demand from hospitals and their desirable HIS software functionality & usability



## Client's request

- > SK Telecom engaged FiinGroup to conduct a comprehensive market study of Vietnam healthcare and survey of all hospitals and clinics in Hanoi and HCMC.
- > Project Name: Market Entry Strategy and Implementation of Telemedicine Project In Vietnam

### Name of service

Customized Market Research

## FiinGroup's deliverables

- ✓ In-depth analysis on the telemedicine market including market players, market sizing, competition dynamics, policy developments, and M&A opportunities.
- ✓ Market entry options for SK Telecom to penetrate into Vietnam telemedicine market
- ✓ Business plan & financial projection for a greenfield diagnostic center in HCMC
- ✓ Support SK Telecom with implementing a pilot project in Phu Tho province.

## Investor Services/ Industry coverage & Client Portfolio

## Service Offerings & Sector Coverage



- Industry Report
- Customized Market Research
- Commercial Due Diligence
- Market Entry Advisory
- Merger Filing Services

### A selection of sectors we cover:

#### **Financial Services**

- Banking
- Consumer Finance
- Payment Services
- Leasing
- Insurance

### Food & Beverages

- Food Processing
- Food Services
- Beverage

#### **Utilities**

- Water Supply
- Energy

#### **Consumer Retail**

- ICT Retail
- Fashion Retail
- Convenience Store
- Health & Beauty Store

#### **Construction & Construction Materials**

- Cement
- Additives and Concrete
- Admixtures
- Steel & Other Metals
- Construction

#### Healthcare

- Hospital and Clinics
- Medical Equipment
- Pharmaceuticals

#### **Industrial Goods**

- Containers & Packaging
- Flexible Packaging

## Logistics

- Warehouse (incl. cold chain logistics)
- Port Operation

Information & Communication Technology

**Automobiles & Auto Parts** 

## Client Portfolio













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