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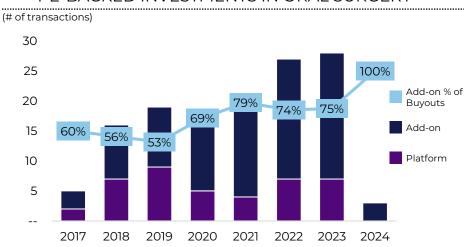
#### INDUSTRY SNAPSHOT

### ORAL SURGERY IS A GROWING, FRAGMENTED MARKET WITH AN INCREASING AMOUNT OF INVESTOR INTEREST





#### PE-BACKED INVESTMENTS IN ORAL SURGERY(b)



#### **KEY FIGURES**

~\$18B

Oral Surgery Market Size (2023)

(0.4)%

Change in Oral Surgeons (2018 – 2023)

2015

2019

7.4K+

U.S. Oral Surgeons 5.6K+

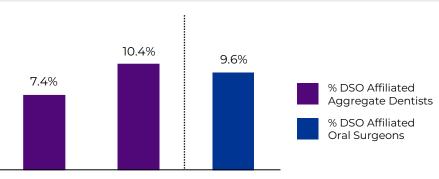
U.S. Periodontists

\$400,000

Average Compensation per Oral Surgeon

#### MARKET FRAGMENTATION

Fragmented market offers runway for consolidation with most oral surgeons working independently from DSOs



2021



#### WHY SURGICAL DENTISTRY?

### ORAL SURGERY AND PERIODONTICS ARE HIGH-GROWTH SPECIALTIES WITHIN THE BROADER DENTAL MARKET WITH NUMEROUS ATTRACTIVE MARKET DYNAMICS AND TAILWINDS

#### High-Growth

- The U.S. surgical dentistry market generates annual revenue of ~\$15 billion, and represents a highgrowth segment of the \$140+ billion dental industry
- Highly resilient through COVID-19 with growth further bolstered by significant supply / demand imbalances for oral surgeons

#### Attractive, Fragmented Market

- Strong patient demographic tailwinds
  - Aging population and increased edentulism
  - Increased implant demand
- Less than 10% of oral surgeons and periodontists currently affiliated with or working with a DSO

#### Limited Consolidators

- Limited number of consolidators of any meaningful scale providing tremendous runway for continued growth through affiliation
- Many surgeons reluctant to join DSOs due to negative stigma – groups that successfully attract & partner with surgeons thrive

#### Desirable Payor Mix

- Highly attractive payor dynamics with negligible exposure to government reimbursement risk across the industry
- Favorable service mix includes predominately implants and extractions, both typically covered by commercial insurance with the patient covering remaining portion

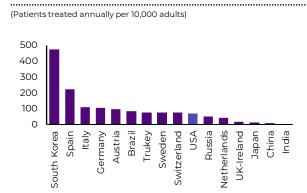
#### Essential, Non-Deferrable Services

- Surgical services are essential, and generally non-deferrable providing predictable patient flow
- Dental implants are not a cosmetic procedure for patients; implants are essential for maintaining oral health
- 30% of individuals aged
   65+ have no natural teeth

### ORAL SURGERY AND PERIODONTIC MARKET<sup>(a)</sup>

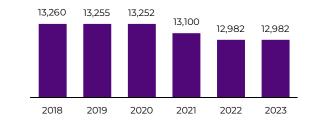


### LOW IMPLANT PENETRATION IN THE U.S.



### U.S. ORAL SURGEONS AND PERIODONTISTS

Despite increasing demand for extractions and implants, the number of oral surgeons and periodontists in the U.S. has remained relatively flat since 2018





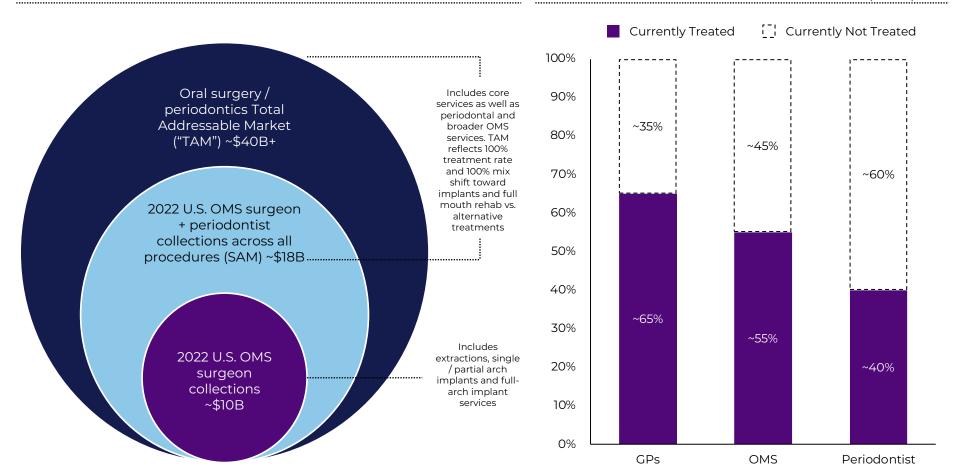
Source: American Dental Association, Fortune Business Insights, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, American College of Prosthodontists, Graphical Research, and Straumann Research.

# THE ORAL SURGERY MARKET IS A \$10B SEGMENT OF A \$40B TOTAL ADDRESSABLE MARKET

MARKET BASED ON THE 60-65% (200-250M) OF THE U.S. POPULATION THAT CURRENTLY VISITS A DENTAL PRACTITIONER; OPPORTUNITY REMAINS FOR THE 35-40% (100-150M) THAT DO NOT

U.S. OMS COLLECTIONS TAM, SAM & CURRENT MARKET OPPORTUNITY

U.S. TOTAL ADDRESSABLE DENTAL PATIENTS SEEKING TREATMENT BY SPECIALIST (2022)





#### IMPLANT PROCEDURES ARE BECOMING THE STANDARD OF CARE

INCREASED SHIFT TOWARD IMPLANTS AND AWAY FROM ALTERNATVES, AS A RESULT OF PATIENT PREFERENCE AND BETTER LONG-TERM PERFORMANCE, HAS CONTRIBUTED TO THE GROWTH OF OMS PROCEDURES PER SURGEON

#### OVERVIEW OF SINGLE IMPLANTS VS. TRADITIONAL TREATMENT OPTIONS

**VS** 

#### TRADITIONAL RESTORATIVE TREATMENTS

- Traditional tooth replacement solutions (e.g., bridges, dentures, crowns) are faster, less technically demanding, and less invasive restorative options compared to implants
  - Overall speed of treatment execution is generally faster for these traditional solutions
- While traditional restorative options are effective, they often impair function and taste (i.e., movement while talking and eating)
  - Treatments generally have shorter lifespans than dental implants

#### **Bridges**

- Primarily performed by: Prosthodontists
- Average lifetime: 5-15 years
- Average price: \$3,000-\$5,000

#### Dentures

- Primarily performed by: Prosthodontists
- Average lifetime: 5-7 years
- Average price: \$1,000-\$10,000

#### **DENTAL IMPLANT SOLUTIONS**

- Dental implants have improved dramatically in recent years, and have become the standard of care for patients who need to replace teeth
  - Implants have become much more affordable through technological innovation and increased availability
- Dental implants are increasingly the preferred modality for their look and feel relative to natural teeth to restore and enhance a patient's smile

#### **Implants**

- Primarily performed by: OMS surgeons
- Average lifetime: Implants last a lifetime
- Average price: \$1,500-\$30,000+ depending on number and type of implant

#### DENTAL TREATMENT SHIFT FOR EDENTULISM

Bridge

Dentures

**Implants** 

Has been losing share given hesitancy by patients and providers to shave down healthy teeth

Popularity has decreased as dentures require frequent replacement

Increasingly becoming the most popular choice and driving additional patients to seek treatment due to implants' **natural appearance, longlasting results, and high success rate** 



#### INNOVATION IN REFERRAL AND DENTAL IMPLANT PROCESS

#### FOCUS ON PATIENT CARE, COUPLED WITH HIGHLY SKILLED CLINICIANS, CREATES A SUPERIOR IMPLANT PROCESS.







#### **ILLUSTRATIVE IMPLANT**

Implant - Oral Surgeon

**Abutment - Dentist** 

Crown - Dentist

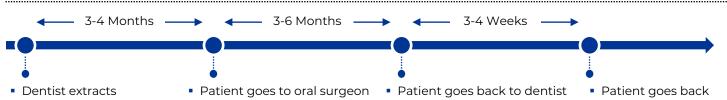
- A tooth implant is composed of three parts: the implant, abutment, and the crown
- Traditionally, oral surgeons place the implant. Once healed, the dentist places the abutment and crown to complete the procedure
- The implant typically costs \$2-3K, while the crown and abutment cost \$2-3K combined







#### TRADITIONAL IMPLANT TIMELINE



- tooth
- to receive implant and bone araftina
- to take impression
- Impression sent to lab to design crown and abutment
- to dentist
- Dentist places abutment and crown

#### 7-12 Months

#### \$4-6K total cost

- Multiple trips to dentist and oral surgeon offices
- Limited coordination of treatment across entirety of process

#### INDUSTRY LEADER IMPLANT TIMELINE



- surgeon to perform tooth extraction, bone graft, and implant in same visit
- surgeon once healed
- Oral surgeon takes digital scan to send to dentist and dentist's preferred lab
- Patient returns to dentist to place abutment and crown

#### 3-5 Months

#### \$4-6K total cost

- Reduces number of trips to both oral surgeon and dentist
- Oral surgeon's patient care coordinator helps patient through treatment and logistical issues
- Efficient time allocation for oral surgeons and dentists



#### KEY MARKET DIFFERENTIATORS

#### SOLOMON PARTNERS UNDERSTANDS THE LEVERS THAT DRIVE VALUE



High quality data ecosystem that facilitates superior data processing, analytics, and business intelligence



Digitized dental workflows that drive higher consistency, accuracy, efficiency, and precision at every stage of the process



Proactive education and relationship building with referring providers that helps bolster referral network



A proven, systematic de novo and M&A growth playbook that drives consistent returns



Case mix of high-margin surgical procedures



Aligned surgeon base with a longterm view on growth and sustainability



Clinically-oriented management team with relentless focus on clinical outcomes



Ancillary service offerings including endo, perio and other upstream / downstream clinical services



### INDUSTRY BENCHMARKING



~\$3M

Revenue per Location



\$1.5-2M

Revenue per Doctor



20-25%

4-Wall EBITDA Margin



1-2

Doctors per Location



25-50%

Implant Case Mix



5-10%

Same-Store Growth



5-10%

Corporate Expense as a % of Revenue



**15-20%** 

EBITDA Margin





# FULL-ARCH IMPLANTS: AN ATTRACTIVE END-MARKET WITH STRONG DEMAND CHARACTERISTICS

### GROWING U.S. EDENTULOUS POPULATION, DRIVEN BY AGING AND INCREASED RISK FACTORS, PROVIDES TAILWINDS FOR FULL-ARCH PROCEDURE DEMAND

#### AGING U.S. POPULATION

- Growth in number of people 65+ year olds is projected to grow ~3% annually, driven by aging number of baby boomers
- ~18% of U.S. population is over 65+ years old, compared to 14% ten years ago
- 65+ population has a significantly higher risk for becoming edentulous

### FOR EDENTULISM

 Risk factors for edentulism include diabetes and heart disease

**INCREASING RISK FACTORS** 

 Both prediabetes / diabetes and heart disease become more prevalent with age

### SIGNIFICANT ADDRESSABLE MARKET FOR FULL-ARCH

- 36mm U.S. edentulous population
- 30% of individuals aged 65+ have no natural teeth
- New subset of population becomes edentulous each year (continuous flow of new patient cohorts)
- The number of partially edentulous patients will continue to increase in the next 15 years to more than 200 million individuals

### U.S. Population Growth Led by Aging Demographics

### 19%

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of people aged 45-64 have diabetes



**Diabetes Prevalence** 

**29**%

of people over 65 have diabetes



**Heart Disease Prevalence** 

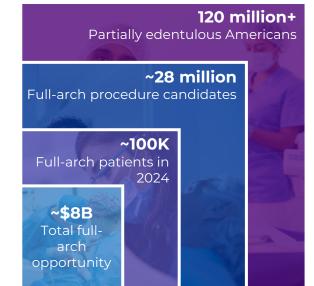
#### 14%

Average prevalence of heart disease for those aged 65-74



24% Average prevalence of heart disease

for those over 75





# FULL-ARCH IMPLANTS: AN ATTRACTIVE END-MARKET WITH STRONG DEMAND CHARACTERISTICS (CONT.)

#### DRIVERS OF INCREASED ADOPTION...

# Superior Clinical Results Compared to Standard Solutions

- ✓ Better overall oral health outcomes
- Restores full function of teeth with natural appearance
- ✓ Minimal need for re-works or recurring treatment

# Changing Patient Awareness

- Growing awareness of full-arch from online resources and DSO DTC marketing
- ✓ Increased focus on facial aesthetics with time spent on video (e.g., Zoom, FaceTime)

#### Growing Technology Advances

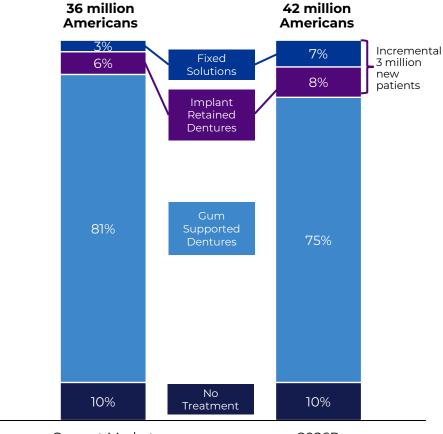
- ✓ Improved affordability / patient access from new, easier installation technology (e.g., "case in a box")
- Quicker diagnosis, plan and treatment due to digital imaging and planning

#### Increasing Affordability

- ✓ Increased transparency in pricing
- Reduced cost from technological advances in install and diagnosis
- ✓ Growing available financing options

#### ...LEADING TO GROWING OPPORTUNITY

### Adoption of implant retained solutions is expected to grow from ~10% to ~15% by 2026P



Current Market

2026P

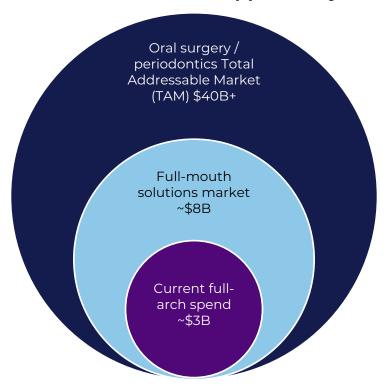


#### TOOTH REPLACEMENT MARKET

#### THE BROADER MARKET IS BOLSTERED BY NUMEROUS STRONG TAILWINDS

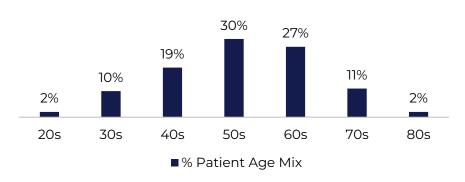
#### TOOTH REPLACEMENT MARKET IS A \$40B+ MARKET TODAY

#### \$40B+ Market Opportunity



As the superior clinical solution, arches are expected to capture greater share of the overall market over time

### WELL-POSITIONED TO CAPTURE FAVORABLE INDUSTRY DYNAMICS



- Greater than 42% of adults over 30 years old have a form of periodontal disease, increasing with age to >70% of adults 65+ years old
- Over 70% of adults need more than a healthy mouth cleaning or prophylaxis (if they have periodontal disease)
- 10% of those 40-64 years old and 9% of those 65-80 years old have severe periodontal disease
- The burden of the geriatric population is rising while about 23 million are completely edentulous and about 12 million are edentulous in one arch



# FIXED ARCHES PROVIDE A SUPERIOR CLINICAL SOLUTION TO CONVENTIONAL TREATMENTS

### FIXED FULL-ARCH TREATMENT HAS ABILITY TO GAIN FURTHER MARKET SHARE AS PATIENTS RECOGNIZE ENHANCED VALUE OVER DENTURES

#### MORE QUALITY AND COMFORT VS DENTURES...

#### ...WITH A MORE ATTRACTIVE PRICE POINT

Double arch replacement is often required for full restoration

DENTURES	FULL-ARCH IMPLANTS	TYPE	PRICE	NOTES
<ul> <li>Decreasing jawbone quality can lead to further deterioration of facial structure</li> </ul>	✓ Preserves remaining jawbone function and maintains facial structure	Fixed Full-Arch	\$15K-30K per arch	<ul> <li>Fixed bridge secured to implants</li> <li>Secured with ~4 implants</li> </ul>
X Requires adhesive paste	✓ Permanent and fixed	Full-Arch		- Demovable dentures supported
× 20% bite force of natural teeth	✓ Can regain bite force	Implant	\$10K-15K	<ul> <li>Removable dentures supported by several implants</li> </ul>
X Limits diet / nutritional intake	✓ No dietary restrictions	Supported Dentures	per arch	<ul> <li>Improved bite force over dentures</li> </ul>
X Unnatural feel	✓ Function of natural teeth	- II A I		Non-invasive full-arch
X Can slip and move around; causing discomfort	✓ Secured to the jaw, providing a stable and comfortable fit	Full-Arch Removable Dentures	\$500-4K per arch	<ul><li>replacement</li><li>Lower satisfaction; bite force is not restored</li></ul>
× Restricted chewing ability	√ Help restore normal chewing			<ul> <li>Non-invasive treatment option</li> </ul>
X Temporary; eventually need to be remade or relined	✓ Long-lasting, customized solution	Partial Removable Dentures	\$500-3K per arch	for multiple missing teeth  Low cost compared to permanent solutions
X Regular removal for cleaning	✓ Ease of care and cleaning	Single / Multi Tooth Implant	\$1.5K-4K per tooth	<ul> <li>Restorative implant to replace one or more damaged / missing teeth</li> </ul>
			·	<ul> <li>Higher cost than dentures</li> </ul>

### FULL-ARCH TREATMENT REQUIRES HIGHLY SKILLED DOCTORS

#### TREATMENT PLAN

#### Dental implant specialist reviews, records and plans out procedure from start to finish

- Surgical guides created with 3D images
- Need for sinus lift or bone augmentation determined

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> PROCEDURE – IMPLANT PLACEMENT

- Mouth numbing / sedation
- Surgical guides used to drill small holes in bone correctly in four to six areas
- Titanium posts placed in holes with healing caps
- Based on procedure, healing time and temporary dentures may be required



#### **CONSULTATION - EXAM & RECORDS**

- Patient meets with doctor and lead coordinator
- Tour of office / lab

**Requires** 

significant

training and

specialized

operatories to

deliver care

- X-rays taken / 3D imaging performed
- Impressions & photos taken
- Financial estimate given

#### FIRST PROCEDURE - EXTRACTION

- Mouth numbing / sedation
- Remaining natural teeth extracted
- If required, bone graft / sinus life procedure performed
- Allow mouth to heal depending on procedure

### PLACEMENT – RESTORATION & RECOVERY

- Implants firmly anchored
- Abutments attached
- Restorations finalized
- Adjustments and permanent placement performed as soon as the following day

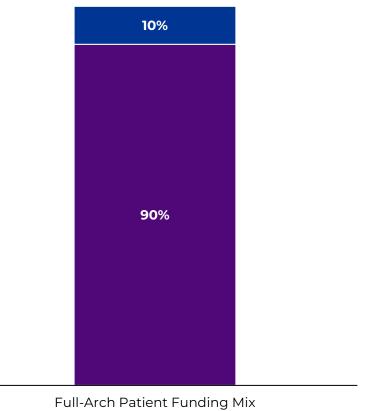


#### ATTRACTIVE AND SIMPLE CASH-FOCUSED REVENUE STREAM

#### ALL-CASH DYNAMIC LESSENS PAYMENT RISK AND IMPROVES CASH FLOW VISIBILITY

### MAJORITY OF FULL-ARCH PROCEDURES ARE FULLY PAID UPFRONT...

### ... REDUCING FINANCIAL RISK OF PROVIDING TRANSFORMATIVE CARE



- 90%+ patient self-pay, on average, bolstered by increasing availability of third-party financing options
- Shortened cash conversion
- Minimizes the need for complex and costly RCM capabilities and nearly eliminates payor risk
- Mitigates need to drive volume to make up for lost reimbursements

■ Self Pay ■ Insurance





#### INVESTOR AREAS OF FOCUS

#### INVESTORS WILL FOCUS ON KEY QUESTIONS WHEN EVALUATING OPPORTUNITIES

### **KEY QUESTIONS** TOPIC **Ownership** How are rollover and associate doctors aligned Structure and and incentivized? **Doctor Incentive Program** Is provider compensation in-line with the **Physician** market? What is the provider compensation Compensation plan structure? Are doctors able to re-build lost and Income income post-transaction via growth? Repair How strong is the recruitment pipeline? Is the Company effectively able to efficiently add Recruitment growth hires as well as fill any turnover?

#### AREAS OF FOCUS

- Type of equity ownership structure (i.e., HoldCo vs. practice-level)
- Practice-level bonus potential for outperformance
- Path to partnership for associate doctors
- Special performance equity program for all doctors
- Comparison of provider compensation vs. market data
- Provider compensation plan structure and earning potential including potential bonuses
- Promotion from associate to partner with broader compensation package and earning power
- Post-acquisition growth and historical same-store growth trends
- Pro forma post-transaction compensation and income repair curve
- Approach to recruiting with details around candidate sourcing, current pipeline health, historical hires and churn
- Relationships with academic institutions
- Historical turnover trends breaking out voluntary vs. involuntary turnover
- Market recruitability score and ability to quickly fill open positions

### INVESTOR AREAS OF FOCUS (CONT.)

#### INVESTORS WILL FOCUS ON KEY QUESTIONS WHEN EVALUATING OPPORTUNITIES

TOPIC	KEY QUESTIONS	AREAS OF FOCUS	
Growth Strategy	M&A, de novo, or both?	<ul> <li>Crisp M&amp;A parameters underpinned by a strong M&amp;A pipeline</li> <li>Historical pipeline conversion</li> <li>Pipeline source and historical valuations</li> <li>Post acquisition revenue and EBITDA performance – what were the key levers for growth?</li> <li>Integration philosophy – standardized practice management system, time to integration, etc.</li> <li>Potential to augment M&amp;A with a de novo strategy</li> <li>Potential to add additional service offerings including endo, perio, fixed full-arch procedures, etc.</li> </ul>	
Deal Structuring	What has typical deal structure looked like?	<ul> <li>Upfront cash, rollover equity, and earnout</li> <li>Rollover equity percentage and valuation</li> <li>Term of the earnout and key performance thresholds needed to achieve full value</li> </ul>	
Acquisition Playbook	Are the acquisition parameters well-defined?	<ul> <li>Aligned market expansion goals with ability to scale</li> <li>Patient demographics, payor mix, and service capabilities</li> <li>Passionate, energetic, entrepreneurial surgeons with stellar reputation</li> <li>Well-developed referral network</li> </ul>	
Value Creation	What does the post-acquisition value creation plan look like?	<ul> <li>Efficient staffing and optimized patient scheduling capabilities</li> <li>Developed referral network driving patient volume</li> <li>Centralized support services with powerful BI capabilities</li> <li>Relentless focus on continuous improvement and education</li> </ul>	



### INVESTOR AREAS OF FOCUS (CONT.)

#### INVESTORS WILL FOCUS ON KEY QUESTIONS WHEN EVALUATING OPPORTUNITIES

#### **TOPIC KEY QUESTIONS** AREAS OF FOCUS 25% of dental impressions are digital in the U.S. Meaningful patient experience benefits by having a vertically integrated lab strategy that reduces treatment times and allows the process to be more streamlined Are labs in-house or outsourced? What is the Lab Strategy digital dentistry workflow penetration rate? Density in select markets to drive operational efficiency or national affiliation strategy Benefits of a cluster strategy – scheduling, recruitment, operations management, payor rate negotiations, and staffing Geographic What does the current and future geographic footprint of the Company look like? Strategy Maximizing excess capacity utilization with same-day procedures Increased scrutiny from regulators on pricing and patient protection Investors will be highly focused on platform reputation and provider satisfaction scores Regulatory What is the potential impact of recent Heightened scrutiny on healthcare provider consolidation and a regulatory changes on the company? **Environment** proposed ban on the use of non-compete agreements are among the



FTC focus areas that investors will continue to closely monitor

## SELECT MARKET PARTICIPANTS

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Solomon Partners has deep experience in the sector and would be happy to connect on potential opportunities. Please contact: HealthcareServices@SolomonPartners.com





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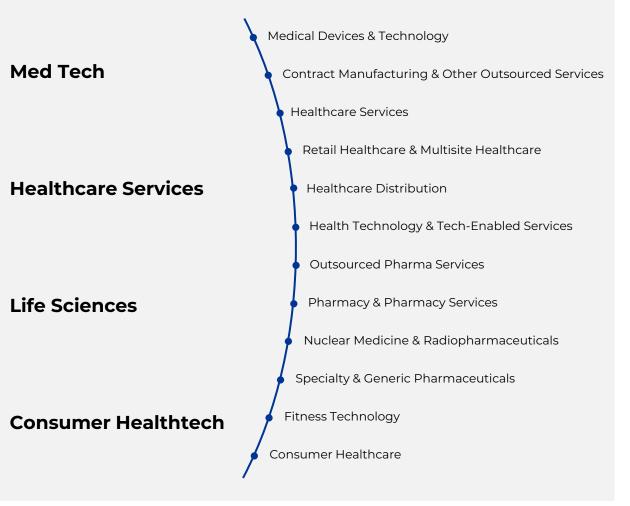
Vice President

+16 Additional Healthcare Bankers



#### HEALTHCARE GROUP OVERVIEW

#### SOLOMON PARTNERS HEALTHCARE COVERAGE





#### SIGNIFICANT MOMENTUM WITHIN HEALTHCARE

#### **RECENT TRANSACTIONS**



Completed a Strategic Investment in



**Healthcare Services** 



Sold to



**Med Tech** 



CoreLink

**Med Tech** 



Received a Strategic Growth Investment from



**Med Tech** 



Merged with



**Healthcare Services** 



GTCR

Healthcare Services



Secured a Senior Secured Credit Facility from



**Healthcare Services** 



Advised on Recapitalization and Growth Financing

Consumer Healthtech





**Healthcare Services** 



Sold to



**Healthcare Services** 



Received a Significant Growth Investment from

TRILANTIC

Life Sciences



Advised on Strategic Alternatives



**Consumer Healthtech** 



Sold to



**Healthcare Tech** 



Majority Recapitalization of



**Healthcare Services** 



Merged with

Lakeshore Acquisition I SPAC

**Med Tech** 



Sold to



**Life Sciences** 



Majority Recapitalization of



**Healthcare Services** 



Majority Recapitalization by

Audax Private Equity

**Healthcare Services** 



Sold to



**Healthcare Services** 



Acquired



**Pharmacy Services** 



Strategic Alliance with and Minority Investment in



**Healthcare Tech** 



Majority Recapitalization by

LINDSAY GOLDBERG

**Healthcare Services** 



Received a Strategic Growth Investment from

HGGC

**Healthcare Services** 



Sold to



**Healthcare Tech** 



Sold to



**Healthcare Services** 



Divestiture of Somerset Facility to



Life Sciences



Received Growth Equity from

NORWEST

**Healthcare Services** 



Majority Recapitalization by

**BlackRock** 

**Healthcare Services** 



Sold to



**Healthcare Services** 



Recapitalized by



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