



PRESS RELEASE

**LIFE HEALTHCARE LISTS ON JSE MAIN BOARD
Employees of Life Healthcare to benefit from listing**

Johannesburg, 10 June 2010 – Life Healthcare Group Holdings Limited (“Life Healthcare” or the “Company”), a leading private hospital operator in the South African healthcare sector successfully listed in the “Health Care Providers” sector on the JSE Main Board this morning, with shares placed at R13.50 per share and a market capitalisation of over R14 billion.

The listing was in conjunction with an offer of shares by the Company’s existing shareholders, comprising 37.35% of the Company’s total issued share capital, to institutions in South Africa, selected institutional investors in other jurisdictions and Life Healthcare employees, management and doctors in South Africa. The Company placed about R5.25 billion and approximately 40% was subscribed by the foreign investors, which is a major vote of confidence in the Company, the healthcare sector and in South Africa by the international investment community.

Speaking at the JSE to celebrate the listing, Michael Flemming, Managing Director of Life Healthcare, commented:

“We are proud to be back on the JSE this morning and welcome all our new shareholders both in South Africa and overseas. We have a clear and ambitious strategy to take the Company onto its next growth phase from which all shareholders can benefit. I am particularly pleased that all our permanent employees have been able to realise their investment in the Company and therefore share in the Company’s success of the last five years.”

Eligible members of Life Healthcare’s Employee Trust stand to benefit to a total value of R500m from the disposal of their interests in the Company. The Employee Trust was established for all permanent staff and share allocations are based on length of service and not on seniority ensuring fair and equitable reward for the number of years served. Of the approximate 12,700 members of the staff who stand to benefit, 65% are historically disadvantaged individuals excluding white women (94% including white women).

Russell Loubser, Chief Executive Officer of the JSE, said:

“The JSE is pleased to welcome back Life Healthcare to its main board and the healthcare sector. This is a sizeable company with large scale operations and one of the largest IPOs to list on the JSE. Today, Life Healthcare has offered investors another way to gain exposure to the private healthcare industry.”

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Overview

Life Healthcare is a leading private hospital operator in South Africa. Life Healthcare primarily serves the market for privately insured individuals, representing approximately eight million people.

Life Healthcare has more than 25 years experience operating private hospitals in South Africa. Commencing operations in the early 1980s with its first four hospitals, Life has grown through acquisitions, capacity expansion within existing facilities, the addition of new lines of business, and development and construction of hospitals. The Group was listed on the exchange operated by the JSE in 1999, and subsequently taken private in 2005 by a consortium led by Brimstone and Mvelaphanda, together with Life Healthcare's senior management.

Life Healthcare is primarily a provider of acute care, high technology private hospital services. Life Healthcare's diversified healthcare business is organised into two divisions:

- Hospitals Division, which represented 92% of Life Healthcare's revenues for the 2009 financial year, and includes Life Healthcare's core acute care hospital business, comprising general hospital facilities of various sizes that include intensive care units (ICUs), high care units (HCUs), operating theatres, emergency units, maternity units and cardiac units, as well as specialised facilities that provide either inpatient or outpatient services in the areas of acute rehabilitation, chronic renal dialysis, mental healthcare services and radiation and chemotherapy oncology; and
- Healthcare Services Division, which represented 8% of Life Healthcare's revenues for the 2009 financial year, and includes the provision of acute and long-term chronic hospitalisation services to state patients through Life Esidimeni, as well as the provision of primary and occupational healthcare through Life Occupational Health.

Life Healthcare has an extensive geographic network of diverse facilities, including hospitals across seven of South Africa's nine provinces and in the country's most populous metropolitan areas. Life Healthcare operates a range of facilities adapted to meet the local demand in the various regions of the country, including complex, multidisciplinary hospitals, community hospitals and specialised stand-alone facilities to provide the appropriate scale and scope of healthcare services.

Strategy

The goals of Life Healthcare are to continue providing high quality, cost effective healthcare in South Africa, and to become a leading private hospital operator in other selected emerging markets. In order to achieve these goals, Life Healthcare seeks to implement the following key strategies:

- Exploit the breadth and depth of Life Healthcare's existing hospital network
- Expand its coverage and penetration of the South African market
- Position Life Healthcare for international expansion
- Maintain Life Healthcare's commitment to world-class healthcare and continue to enhance operational efficiencies
- Ongoing partnership with government and engagement with healthcare reform in South Africa

Recent Developments

Life Healthcare has acquired Bayview Private Hospital in Mossel Bay, Western Cape. Bayview is a high-tech hospital, with 102 beds, 5 operating theatres, a cardiac catheterization laboratory and an accident and emergency unit. The specialist cardiac catheterization unit will increase Life Healthcare's number of units to 12.

Life Healthcare and the International Finance Corporation, a member of the World Bank Group, have formed a strategic partnership to encourage investment between emerging market countries and to bring much-needed health care services to underserved parts of sub-Saharan Africa, India, and Turkey. This partnership supports Life Healthcare's international expansion.