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### **Healthscope grants private equity consortium due diligence**

Healthscope announced last week that it had received from a private equity consortium a revised, indicative, non-binding proposal to acquire all of the issued capital of Healthscope by scheme of arrangement at a price of \$5.75 per share.

The Healthscope Board, together with its advisers, undertook careful review of both the initial and revised proposals put to it by the consortium.

The Board has concluded that, based on their revised proposal and subject to negotiation of an appropriate confidentiality agreement, the members of the consortium will be granted the opportunity to conduct due diligence. It is expected that this process will take several weeks.

Healthscope continues to recommend that shareholders take no action. The due diligence process may or may not result in an offer for the Company or a recommendation by the Board. If it does not, the Board believes that Healthscope has a very attractive independent future and that the Company is well positioned to continue to deliver strong growth.

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