

## GoodRx

## The duality of GoodRx: 4Q Preview

Maintain Rating: UNDERPERFORM | PO: 4.50 USD | Price: 6.54 USD

## Upside risk near-term vs. industry changes long-term

GoodRx will report its 40'23 next Thursday, February 29th, before market open. There are two key themes investors should monitor: 1) Commentary/disclosures around GoodRx's Integrated Savings Program (ISP) partnerships with CVS Health, Cigna and others; and 2) potential impacts from CVS' recently announced CostVantage plan (and other competitive developments). GoodRx's ISP partnerships could drive upside to 2024 Street estimates and will depend primarily on how many PBM lives have access to the product on January 1, 2024. On the other hand, CVS' CostVantage plan and other competitive developments could have a dramatic impact on GoodRx's model, but these potential impacts are out of scope of this quarterly call and won't begin to have an impact for at least a year. Upside risk to near-term numbers combined w/ business model risk beyond 2025 creates one of the more unique and challenging set-ups in our coverage. We maintain our Underperform rating and \$4.50 PO ahead of next week's earnings.

## New ISP partnerships may drive 2024 upside

In a note published last year (link to note here) we estimated GDRX could conservatively generate \$5-\$11MM of incremental EBIT for every 10MM commercial members in its new partnership programs. Assuming the CY24 roll-out of previously announced partnerships is available to ~15MM members, we estimate GDRX could add 9MM-18MM incremental prescriptions to FY24 with a \$8-\$16MM EBIT contribution. At that time, we noted the incremental EBIT partially de-risks the FY24 outlook given contribution could be 4-8% of consensus adj. EBIT or more. Any commentary on membership numbers, GoodRx's win-rate at the pharmacy counter (we estimate mid-single digit win rates), and impact to EBIT margins will be important.

## CostVantage, PBM reimbursement changes out of scope

In our downgrade note last month, we highlighted CVS' new pharmacy reimbursement model and growing competition from health plans and retail pharmacies offering its own discount cards (link to our note here). Taken together, the outlook for GoodRx is more uncertain than at any point during the company's short life as a public company, and we see near-term risks to valuation and intermediate-term risks to its earnings profile. We do not expect to gain any new information around these changes on next week's call.

Estimates (Dec) (US\$)	2021A	2022A	2023E	2024E	2025E
EPS	0.35	0.30	0.27	0.28	0.30
GAAP EPS	(0.07)	(0.07)	0.04	0.09	0.09
EPS Change (YoY)	-23.9%	-14.3%	-10.0%	3.7%	7.1%
Consensus EPS (Bloomberg)			0.27	0.28	0.35
DPS	0	0	0	0	0
Valuation (Dec)					
P/E	18.7x	21.8x	24.2x	23.4x	21.8x
GAAP P/E	NM	NM	163.5x	72.7x	72.7x
EV / EBITDA*	11.9x	12.8x	12.7x	12.3x	11.9x
Free Cash Flow Yield*	5.3%	3.4%	5.3%	4.8%	5.3%
* For full definitions of <i>IQ</i> method <sup>SM</sup> measures, see page 4.					

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ESGMeter™

6.54 USD Price Objective 4.50 USD Date Established 2-lan-2024 Investment Opinion C-3-9 52-Week Range 4 14 USD - 9 37 USD 2,715 USD / 415.1 Mrkt Val (mn) / Shares Out (mn)

Free Float Average Daily Value (mn) 9 58 USD BofA Ticker / Exchange GDRX / NAS

Bloomberg / Reuters GDRX US / GDRX.OO ROE (2023E) 14.0% Net Dbt to Eqty (Dec-2022A) -12.1%

80.8%

Medium

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ISP – Integrated Savings Plan

PBM - Pharmacy Benefit Manager

# **iQ**profile<sup>™</sup>GoodRx

<b>Q</b> method <sup>™</sup> – <b>Bus Performance*</b>					
(US\$ Millions)	2021A	2022A	2023E	2024E	2025
Return on Capital Employed	11.2%	10.0%	10.3%	9.7%	9.9%
Return on Equity	19.1%	15.3%	14.0%	14.6%	14.8%
Operating Margin	28.6%	23.8%	22.9%	22.3%	22.2%
Free Cash Flow	144	92	145	131	144
Qmethod <sup>™</sup> – Quality of Earnings*					
(US\$ Millions)	2021A	2022A	2023E	2024E	20251
Cash Realization Ratio	1.2x	1.2x	1.8x	1.7x	1.73
Asset Replacement Ratio	2.1x	1.8x	1.4x	1.4x	1.5>
Tax Rate	22.6%	20.1%	24.4%	24.1%	24.3%
Net Debt-to-Equity Ratio	-33.5%	-12.1%	-4.3%	-1.7%	-1.0%
Interest Cover	9.0x	5.3x	3.1x	4.6x	4.8)
ncome Statement Data (Dec)					
(US\$ Millions)	2021A	2022A	2023E	2024E	2025
Sales	745	767	760	798	830
% Change	35.3%	2.8%	-0.9%	5.0%	4.0%
Gross Profit	700	702	695	733	762
% Change	34.3%	0.3%	-1.1%	5.4%	4.0%
EBITDA	230	213	216	223	230
% Change	12.9%	-7.0%	1.1%	3.2%	3.2%
Net Interest & Other Income	(24)	(25)	(26)	(26)	(24
Net Income (Adjusted)	147	126	112	115	121
% Change	10.3%	-14.4%	-11.3%	3.2%	5.2%
US\$ Millions)	2021A	2022A	2023E	2024E	2025
Net Income from Cont Operations (GAAP)	147	126	112	115	121
Depreciation & Amortization	16 (12)	31	44 1	45	46
Change in Working Capital	, ,	(20)	•	(2)	
Deferred Taxation Charge	NA 27	NA 10	NA 49	NA 37	NA 40
Other Adjustments, Net		(55)	(61)		(66
Capital Expenditure  Free Cash Flow	(34) <b>144</b>	92	145	(64) <b>131</b>	144
% Change	30.3%	-36.6%	58.0%	-9.5%	10.3%
Share / Issue Repurchase	35	(93)	(100)	(100)	(100
Cost of Dividends Paid	0	0	0	0	(100)
Change in Debt	(7)	(7)	(10)	(10)	(10)
Balance Sheet Data (Dec)					
(US\$ Millions)	2021A	2022A	2023E	2024E	20251
Cash & Equivalents	941	757	682	653	637
Trade Receivables	118	117	119	126	129
Other Current Assets	30	45	43	43	43
Property, Plant & Equipment	22	20	29	49	68
Other Non-Current Assets	497	665	681	703	723
Total Assets	1,608	1,605	1,553	1,574	1,601
Short-Term Debt	0	0	0	0	(
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Other Current Liabilities	74				
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Other Current Liabilities Long-Term Debt Other Non-Current Liabilities	663 39	659 62	61	66	70

**Company Sector** 

Internet/e-Commerce

## **Company Description**

GDRX offers a suite of prescription solutions that provide consumers with higher transparency around prescription drug prices, which can help lower costs. The complexity of healthcare and prescriptions often leads to confusion around drug pricing at the point of sale. In turn, inaccessibility to drugs due to high costs is a leading factor in prescription abandonment, leading to worse medical outcomes and costs. By improving access to medication, GDRX drives savings across the healthcare space.

#### **Investment Rationale**

While GDRX remains the leading marketplace for prescription transparency, we view risks to the size of the addressable market which could impact the company's earnings profile over time. We believe the multiple may come under pressure given recent announcements from some of the largest stakeholders in the pharmacy ecosystem. The rapidly changing competitive landscape including the introduction of competing offerings from large PBMs and retail pharmacies creates near-term risks to valuation.

## Stock Data

Average Daily Volume 1,465,157

## **Quarterly Earnings Estimates**

	2022	2023
Q1	0.10A	0.07A
Q2	0.06A	0.07A
Q3	0.07A	0.06A
04	0.07A	0.07E



## Price objective basis & risk

#### GoodRx (GDRX)

Our \$4.50 price objective is based on 8.5x our CY24E EBITDA . We used a blended multiple to arrive at our PO, evaluating both health IT companies as well as a wide range of internet companies that have a combination of technology/consumer solutions. Our target multiple is below the blended peer group to account for the outlook uncertainty that has arisen following recent announcements from large stakeholders in the pharmacy ecosystem. We think EV/EBITDA is the most appropriate metric given the profitable nature of GDRX.

Downside risks to GDRX are the inability to drive prescription volumes through pharmacies/repeatability of model as well as failure to gain traction in subscription services. The rapidly changing competitive landscape including the introduction of competing offerings from large pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs) and retail pharmacies could drive lower and unpredictable utilization trends. We also see downside risks in the inability to gain traction in telehealth and pharma manufacturing services. Finally, any meaningful shift in the drug pricing paradigm could potentially lower the value of GDRX's transparency discount model. Upside risks include higher-than-expected use of repeatability/subscription options and outperformance in utilization and scripts in a post-Covid normalization. Additionally, the shift to the new PBM partnership model could drive incremental upside.

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<b>Business Performance</b>	Numerator	Denominator
Return On Capital Employed	NOPAT = (EBIT + Interest Income) $\times$ (1 $-$ Tax Rate) + Goodwill Amortization	Total Assets — Current Liabilities + ST Debt + Accumulated Goodwill Amortization
Return On Equity	Net Income	Shareholders' Equity
Operating Margin	Operating Profit	Sales
Earnings Growth	Expected 5 Year CAGR From Latest Actual	N/A
Free Cash Flow	Cash Flow From Operations — Total Capex	N/A
Quality of Earnings	Numerator	Denominator
Cash Realization Ratio	Cash Flow From Operations	Net Income
Asset Replacement Ratio	Capex	Depreciation
Tax Rate	Tax Charge	Pre-Tax Income
Net Debt-To-Equity Ratio	Net Debt = Total Debt - Cash & Equivalents	Total Equity
Interest Cover	EBIT	Interest Expense
Valuation Toolkit	Numerator	Denominator
Price / Earnings Ratio	Current Share Price	Diluted Earnings Per Share (Basis As Specified)
Price / Book Value	Current Share Price	Shareholders' Equity / Current Basic Shares
Dividend Yield	Annualised Declared Cash Dividend	Current Share Price
Free Cash Flow Yield	Cash Flow From Operations – Total Capex	Market Cap = Current Share Price × Current Basic Shares
Enterprise Value / Sales	EV = Current Share Price × Current Shares + Minority Equity + Net Debt +	Sales
•	Other LT Liabilities	
EV / EBITDA	Enterprise Value	Basic EBIT + Depreciation + Amortization

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Sell	93	22.96%	Sell	24	25.81%

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