



Questionnaire: Ramsay Health Care - National Capital Private Hospital

File number: MN-75003

Deadline to respond: 30 January 2026

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (**ACCC**) is currently assessing Ramsay Health Care (**Ramsay**)'s proposed acquisition of National Capital Private Hospital from Healthscope (the **Acquisition**).

The closest Ramsay operated private hospitals to National Capital Private Hospital are Southern Highlands Private Hospital in Bowral, New South Wales (**NSW**) and Nowra Private Hospital in Nowra, NSW.

For further information about the ACCC's assessment of the Acquisition, see the [ACCC's Acquisitions Register](#).

The ACCC is assessing the impact of the Acquisition on competition and is seeking your views. The ACCC invites you to provide submissions or information in response to the questions below by **30 January 2026** via email to mergers@acc.gov.au with the title *Submission re: Ramsay - National Capital Private Hospital*. The ACCC must complete its assessment within strict statutory timelines which also impacts the time available for consultation.

If you would prefer to speak to a member of the ACCC case team, please email mergers@acc.gov.au with the title *Request for call re: Ramsay - National Capital Private Hospital*. Someone from the case team will contact you to find a suitable time for a call.

Please note that:

- This request is made in accordance with section 51ABZZD(2)(a) and (c) of the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth) (the Act). This means that while the ACCC may take into account submissions or information received after the due date, it is not required to do so.
- In responding to the questions below or when providing a submission, please highlight and/or mark any confidential information and indicate why the information is confidential (as brief reasons in footnotes in your response or submission, or in a separate document such as the ACCC's confidentiality claims template). The standard terms on which the ACCC accepts confidential information are outlined at the end of this document.

Questions

1. Please provide a brief description of your business or organisation and explain your interest in the Acquisition, including any commercial relationships with Ramsay and Healthscope.

2. Do you have any concerns with the Acquisition? If so, please provide further details.

3. How closely do the following private hospitals compete with each other in the supply of private hospital services? In your response, you may wish to consider factors such as the services and specialities available at each hospital, medical officers, facilities, location, quality of care, safety, innovation and pricing.

- a. National Capital Private Hospital and Ramsay's Nowra Private Hospital

- b. National Capital Private Hospital and Ramsay's Southern Highlands Private Hospital

4. Are there any other Ramsay-owned businesses that compete with National Capital Private Hospital or supply services to competitors of National Capital Private Hospital?

5. Please list any other hospitals, including day surgeries, that compete with National Capital Private Hospital. Please explain your response and identify any services or specialities these hospitals and day surgeries compete closely on.

6. Provide any additional information or comments that you consider relevant to the ACCC's assessment of the Acquisition.

Confidentiality of responses

During the ACCC's assessment of a notified acquisition, the ACCC may receive information that is properly regarded as being confidential, and which is provided to the ACCC in confidence. The ACCC is committed to treating this information responsibly and in accordance with the law. The ACCC understands the importance of confidentiality to parties involved in a notified acquisition, as well as to third parties that provide information to the ACCC.

The standard terms on which the ACCC accepts confidential information are:

- there is no restriction on the internal use, including future use, that the ACCC may make of the confidential information consistent with the ACCC's statutory functions
- confidential information may be disclosed to the ACCC's external advisors and consultants on condition that each such advisor or consultant will be informed of the obligation to treat the information as confidential, and
- the ACCC may disclose the confidential information to third parties (in addition to its external advisors or consultants) if compelled by law or in accordance with s 155AAA of the Act. This includes disclosures made in the performance of official duties or functions, including transparency requirements which are part of the merger regime.

The [ACCC's merger process guidelines](#) contain more information on confidentiality.