

Market Announcement

28 April 2022

Virtus Health Limited (ASX: VRT) - Trading Halt

Description

The securities of Virtus Health Limited ('VRT') will be placed in trading halt at the request of VRT, pending it releasing an announcement. Unless ASX decides otherwise, the securities will remain in trading halt until the earlier of the commencement of normal trading on Monday, 2 May 2022 or when the announcement is released to the market.

Issued by

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Ms Alice Montefiore-King Adviser, Listings Compliance ASX Compliance Pty Ltd Exchange Centre, 20 Bridge Street Sydney NSW 2000

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Dear Ms Montefiore-King

Trading Halt Request

Pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 17.1 Virtus Health Limited (ASX: VRT) (Company) requests that ASX grant a trading halt in respect of its fully paid ordinary shares, effective from the commencement of trading on Thursday, 28 April 2022.

The following information is provided in accordance with Listing Rule 17.1:

- 1. **Reason for trading halt** the trading halt is necessary given the Company is attending a Court hearing this morning seeking orders to convene a scheme meeting in relation to the proposal from CapVest Partners LLP previously announced to the market (CapVest Scheme) and to approve dispatch of a transaction booklet and related documents to Virtus shareholders in relation to the CapVest Scheme. At today's Court hearing, counsel for the Company will present to the Court detail contained in the transaction booklet and the indicative conclusions of the independent expert, including the expert's view of the fair value range of Virtus shares, which information will be available to those persons present at the Court hearing. The Company considers some of the information that will be presented to the Court to be material, including a Q3 trading update. Given BGH Capital has appeared at the Court hearing and opposed the application by Virtus and the matter will be listed for further hearing on Monday, 2 May 2022, the Company does not expect to be able to release the transaction booklet and accompanying independent expert's report (assuming the Court makes the orders sought by the Company) today. Accordingly, Virtus considers a trading halt to be appropriate to prevent trading in its securities taking place in an uninformed market, especially in circumstances where persons attending the Court hearing are likely to have some of that information before it is released to the market.
- 2. **Duration of the trading halt** the Company requests the trading halt to last until the earlier of the time the Company releases the transaction booklet, or otherwise makes an announcement, to ASX in relation to the CapVest Scheme, or until the commencement of trading on Monday, 2 May 2022.
- 3. Termination of the trading halt the Company anticipates that the trading halt will cease upon release of the transaction booklet, or another announcement, to ASX in relation to the CapVest Scheme.
- 4. No reason trading halt should not be granted the Company is not aware of any reason why the trading halt should not be granted.



5. **No further information** – the Company is not aware of any other information necessary to inform the market about the trading halt.

Yours Sincerely

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Company Secretary

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