## **Press Release**



## Capio Announces a Placement of Ordinary Shares to Raise £87 million sterling (subject to increase to £100 million sterling)

Capio, one of the leading European independent healthcare services providers today announces it is approaching a limited number of institutional investors, to conduct a placement of its ordinary shares in order to raise the Swedish kronor equivalent of £87 million sterling (subject to increase to £100 million sterling). The placing price will be determined through a book building process in connection with an institutional road show commencing today. Trading in the new shares of Capio on the O-List of Stockholmsbörsen is expected to commence on or about July 3, 2001. Deutsche Bank AG London is acting as sole Global Coordinator and Bookrunner for the offering.

The placement size may be increased from the Swedish kronor equivalent of £87 million up to £100 million sterling if Deutsche Bank exercises an option within 30 days following the completion of the placement to cover any overallotments.

The net proceeds of the placement will be used by Capio to repay in part a loan provided by Deutsche Bank AG London, which was used to partly finance the recent acquisition of Community Hospitals Group PLC ("CHG"). The placement will fulfil Capio's plans, announced on April 26, 2001 in conjunction with the CHG acquisition, to raise up to  $\pounds 100$  million sterling in new equity. The issue of new shares was authorised at an extraordinary meeting of shareholders held on May 14, 2001.

"We are pleased to announce the launch of our equity placement. We believe the placement will strengthen the capital base of Capio and broaden our institutional shareholder base in line with our expanded international operations. We believe this placement will increase the liquidity in our shares to the benefit of all shareholders while positioning us well for any future capital needs", said Per Båtelson, CEO and President of Capio.

In its capacity as Global Coordinator, Deutsche Bank AG London and/or its affiliates may undertake stock price stabilisation measures in connection with the placement of the new shares in Capio. Such stabilisation must take place before the expiry of the period of 30 days after the date on which Capio receives payment for the new shares, and may be discontinued at any time without notice. (Stabilisation/FSA) D.Carnegie AB is acting as co-lead manager.

In connection with the placement, Capio has prepared an offering circular that will be provided to the institutional investors approached in the placement.

Deutsche Bank AG and D.Carnegie AB are acting for Capio AB in connection with the placement and no-one else and will not be reponsible to anyone other than Capio AB for providing the protections offered to customers of Deutsche Bank AG or D.Carnegie AB nor for providing advice in relation to the placement.

This press release does not constitute an offer of securities for sale in the United States. The new shares have not been and will not be registered in the United States and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an exemption from registration. There will be no public offering of the new shares in the United States.

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