

# **Chemed Reports First-Quarter 2022 Results**

## April 26, 2022

CINCINNATI--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Apr. 26, 2022-- Chemed Corporation (Chemed) (NYSE: CHE), which operates VITAS Healthcare Corporation (VITAS), one of the nation's largest providers of end-of-life care, and Roto-Rooter, the nation's largest commercial and residential plumbing and drain cleaning services provider, reported financial results for its first quarter ended March 31, 2022, versus the comparable prior-year period, as follows:

Consolidated operating results:

- Revenue increased 0.6% to \$531 million
- GAAP Diluted Earnings-per-Share (EPS) of \$4.22, an increase of 5.2%
- Adjusted Diluted EPS of \$4.79, an increase of 7.9%

## VITAS segment operating results:

- Net Patient Revenue of \$299 million, a decline of 5.3%
- Average Daily Census (ADC) of 17,313, a decline of 4.1%
- Admissions of 16,530, a decline of 8.9%
- Net Income, excluding certain discrete items, of \$36.8 million, a decline of 12.6%
- Adjusted EBITDA, excluding Medicare Cap, of \$52.5 million, a decline of 9.8%
- Adjusted EBITDA margin, excluding Medicare Cap, of 17.4%, a decrease of 95-basis points

Roto-Rooter segment operating results:

- Revenue of \$231 million, an increase of 9.4%
- Net Income, excluding certain discrete items, of \$46.4 million, an increase of 18.0%
- Adjusted EBITDA of \$65.9 million, an increase of 15.9%
- Adjusted EBITDA margin of 28.5%, an increase of 160-basis points

## VITAS

VITAS net revenue was \$299 million in the first quarter of 2022, which is a decline of 5.3%, when compared to the prior-year period. This revenue decline is comprised primarily of a 4.1% decline in days-of-care partially offset by a geographically weighted average Medicare reimbursement rate increase of approximately 1.3%. Acuity mix shift had a net impact of reducing revenue approximately \$7.1 million, or 2.2%, in the quarter when compared to the prior-year revenue and level-of-care mix. The combination of Medicare Cap and other contra revenue changes increased this revenue decline by approximately 30-basis points.

In the first quarter of 2022, VITAS accrued \$2.5 million in Medicare Cap billing limitations. This compares to \$1.5 million in Medicare Cap billing limitation in the first quarter of 2021.

Of VITAS' 30 Medicare provider numbers, 28 provider numbers have a Medicare Cap cushion of 10% or greater and two provider numbers have an estimated fiscal 2022 Medicare Cap billing limitation liability.

Average revenue per patient per day in the first quarter of 2022 was \$196.89, which, including acuity mix shift, is 104-basis points below the prior-year period. Reimbursement for routine home care and high acuity care averaged \$172.33 and \$1,010.49, respectively. During the quarter, high acuity days-of-care were 2.9% of total days of care, 58-basis points less than the prior-year quarter.

The first quarter 2022 gross margin, excluding Medicare Cap and increased costs directly related to operating during the pandemic, was 24.8%. This is a 50-basis point margin decline when compared to the first quarter of 2021.

Selling, general and administrative expense, excluding increased costs directly related to operating during the pandemic, was \$22.5 million in the first quarter of 2022 and compares to \$22.0 million incurred in the prior-year quarter. Adjusted EBITDA, excluding Medicare Cap, totaled \$52.5 million in the quarter, a decrease of 9.8%. Adjusted EBITDA margin in the quarter, excluding Medicare Cap, was 17.4%, which is 95-basis points below the prior-year period.

#### Roto-Rooter

Roto-Rooter generated quarterly revenue of \$231 million in the first quarter of 2022, an increase of \$19.8 million, or 9.4%, when compared to the prior-year quarter.

Roto-Rooter branch commercial revenue in the quarter totaled \$54.4 million, an increase of \$6.9 million, or 14.4%, over the prior year. This aggregate commercial revenue growth consisted of drain cleaning revenue increasing 17.0%, plumbing increasing 17.1%, water restoration increasing 8.6%, and excavation increasing 7.1%.

Roto-Rooter branch residential revenue in the quarter totaled \$157 million, an increase of \$10.5 million, or 7.2%, over the prior-year period. This aggregate residential revenue growth consisted of drain cleaning increasing 3.1%, plumbing expanding 14.6%, excavation increasing 5.9%, and water

#### restoration increasing 7.7%.

Roto-Rooter's gross margin in the quarter, excluding the impact from COVID, was 52.8%, an 87-basis point increase when compared to the first quarter of 2021. Adjusted EBITDA in the first quarter of 2022 totaled \$65.9 million, an increase of 15.9%. The Adjusted EBITDA margin in the quarter was 28.5%, which is a 160-basis point improvement when compared to the prior year.

### **Chemed Consolidated**

As of March 31, 2022, Chemed had total cash and cash equivalents of \$18.2 million and \$120 million of long-term debt.

In June 2018, Chemed entered into a five-year Amended and Restated Credit Agreement that consists of a \$450 million revolving credit facility. The interest rate on this facility has a floating rate that is currently LIBOR plus 100-basis points. At March 31, 2022, the Company had approximately \$284 million of undrawn borrowing capacity under this credit agreement.

During the quarter, the Company repurchased 57,500 shares of Chemed stock for \$27.4 million which equates to a cost per share of \$475.71. As of March 31, 2022, there was approximately \$175 million of remaining share repurchase authorization under this plan.

Chemed restarted its share repurchase program in 2007. Since that time, Chemed has repurchased approximately 15.8 million shares, aggregating approximately \$2.0 billion at an average share cost of \$126.42. Including dividends over this period, Chemed has returned approximately \$2.2 billion to shareholders.

#### Guidance for 2022

Management anticipates providing updated 2022 earnings guidance as part of the June 30, 2022, earnings press release.

#### **Conference Call**

Chemed will host a conference call and webcast at 10 a.m., ET, on Wednesday, April 27, 2022, to discuss the Company's quarterly results and to provide an update on its business. The dial-in number for the conference call is (844) 743-2500 for U.S. and Canadian participants and +1 (661) 378-9533 for international participants. The Conference ID is 1869526. A live webcast of the call can be accessed on Chemed's website at www.chemed.com by clicking on Investor Relations Home.

A taped replay of the conference call will be available beginning approximately 24 hours after the call's conclusion. It can be accessed by dialing (855) 859-2056 for U.S. and Canadian callers and +1 (404) 537-3406 for international callers and will be available for one week following the live call. The replay Conference ID is 1869526. An archived webcast will also be available at <a href="http://www.chemed.com">www.chemed.com</a>.

Chemed Corporation operates in the healthcare field through its VITAS Healthcare Corporation subsidiary. VITAS provides daily hospice services to approximately 17,300 patients with severe, life-limiting illnesses. This type of care is focused on making the terminally ill patient's final days as comfortable and pain-free as possible.

Chemed operates in the residential and commercial plumbing and drain cleaning industry under the brand name Roto-Rooter. Roto-Rooter provides plumbing, drain cleaning, and water cleanup services through company-owned branches, independent contractors and franchisees in the United States and Canada. Roto-Rooter also has licensed master franchisees in the republics of Indonesia and Singapore, and the Philippines.

This press release contains information about Chemed's EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted Diluted EPS, which are not measures derived in accordance with GAAP and which exclude components that are important to understanding Chemed's financial performance. In reporting its operating results, Chemed provides EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted Diluted EPS measures to help investors and others evaluate the Company's operating results, compare its operating performance with that of similar companies that have different capital structures and evaluate its ability to meet its future debt service, capital expenditures and working capital requirements. Chemed's management similarly uses EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted Diluted EPS to assist it in evaluating the performance of the Company across fiscal periods and in assessing how its performance compares to its peer companies. These measures also help Chemed's management to estimate the resources required to meet Chemed's future financial obligations and expenditures. Chemed's EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted Diluted EPS should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for comparable measures calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP. We calculated Adjusted EBITDA Margin by dividing Adjusted EBITDA by service revenue and sales. A reconciliation of Chemed's net income to its EBITDA, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted Diluted EPS is presented in the tables following the text of this press release.

#### Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements contained in this press release and the accompanying tables are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The words "believe," "expect," "hope," "anticipate," "plan" and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date the statement was made. Chemed does not undertake and specifically disclaims any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. These statements are based on current expectations and assumptions and involve various risks and uncertainties, which could cause Chemed's actual results to differ from those expressed in such forward-looking statements.

These risks and uncertainties arise from, among other things, possible changes in regulations governing the hospice care or plumbing and drain cleaning industries; periodic changes in reimbursement levels and procedures under Medicare and Medicaid programs; difficulties predicting patient length of stay and estimating potential Medicare reimbursement obligations; challenges inherent in Chemed's growth strategy; the current shortage of qualified nurses, other healthcare professionals and licensed plumbing and drain cleaning technicians; Chemed's dependence on patient referral sources; and other factors detailed under the caption "Description of Business by Segment" or "Risk Factors" in Chemed's most recent report on form 10-Q or 10-K and its other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements and there are no assurances that the matters contained in such statements will be achieved.

# CHEMED CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(in thousands, except per share data)(unaudited)

# Three Months Ended March 31,

	2	022		2021	
Service revenues and sales	\$	530,549		\$ 527,360	
Cost of services provided and goods sold		336,552		340,473	
Selling, general and administrative expenses (aa)		89,954		91,599	
Depreciation		12,138		11,715	
Amortization		2,518		2,510	
Other operating expense		13		622	
Total costs and expenses		441,175		446,919	
Income from operations		89,374		80,441	
Interest expense		(810	)	(381	)
Other (expense)/incomenet (bb)		(3,862	)	3,602	
Income before income taxes		84,702		83,662	
Income taxes		(20,533	)	(18,262	)
Net income	\$	64,169		\$ 65,400	
Earnings Per Share					
Net income	\$	4.28		\$ 4.08	
Average number of shares outstanding		14,986		16,010	
Diluted Earnings Per Share					
Net income	\$	4.22		\$ 4.01	
Average number of shares outstanding		15,192		16,310	

(aa) Selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expenses comprise (in thousands):

	2022	2021
SG&A expenses before long-term incentive compensation and the impact of market value adjustments related to	n	
deferred compensation plans	\$ 92,578	\$ 86,668
Market value adjustments related to deferred		
compensation trusts	(3,934	) 3,038

Three Months Ended March 31,

Long-term incentive compensation	1,310	1,893
Total SG&A expenses	\$ 89,954	\$ 91,599

(bb) Other (expense)/income--net comprises (in thousands):

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	Inree	Months End	ded March 31,
	2022	2	021
Market value adjustments related to deferred			
compensation trusts	\$ (3,9	34 )\$	3,038
Interest income	73		92
Other	(1	)	472
Total other (expense)/incomenet	\$ (3,8	62)\$	3,602
CHEMED CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY COMPAN CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except per share data)(unaudited)	IES		
		March 31,	
		2022	2021
Assets Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		\$ 18,160	\$210,156
Accounts receivable less allowances		117,319	104,748
Inventories		10,540	6,777
Prepaid income taxes		9,143	3,518
Prepaid expenses		29,589	21,775
Total current assets		184,751	346,974
Investments of deferred compensation plans held in trust		100,139	93,705
Properties and equipment, at cost less accumulated depre	eciation	192,405	190,154
Lease right of use asset		134,169	124,104
Identifiable intangible assets less accumulated amortization	'n	106,367	115,517
Goodwill		579,704	578,618
Other assets		8,222	9,061
Total Assets		\$ 1,305,757	7 \$1,458,133

## Liabilities

Current liabilities

Accounts payable	\$ 64,710	\$55,447
Income taxes	15,390	24,774
Accrued insurance	58,952	57,533
Accrued compensation	62,205	73,907
Accrued legal	871	2,102
Short-term lease liability	38,856	37,897
Other current liabilities	38,667	38,555
Total current liabilities	279,651	290,215
Deferred income taxes	19,136	19,733
Long-term debt	120,000	-
Deferred compensation liabilities	100,812	93,755
Long-term lease liability	109,121	98,813
Other liabilities	10,332	26,733
Total Liabilities	639,052	529,249
Stockholders' Equity		
Capital stock	36,579	36,345
Paid-in capital	1,064,448	982,739
Retained earnings	2,029,158	1,783,740
Treasury stock, at cost	(2,465,716)	(1,876,315)
Deferred compensation payable in Company stock	2,236	2,375
Total Stockholders' Equity	666,705	928,884
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$ 1,305,757	\$ 1,458,133
CHEMED CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands)(unaudited)		
	Three Mo	nths Ended March 31,
	2022	2021
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Net income	\$ 64,169	<b>\$</b> 65,400

Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization	14,656		14,225	
Stock option expense	7,451		6,106	
Benefit for deferred payroll taxes	(4,047	)	(930	)
Noncash long-term incentive compensation	1,185		1,642	
Amortization of debt issuance costs	76		76	
Payments on previously accrued litigation settlements	-		(8,490	)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, excluding amounts acquired in business combinations:				
Decrease in accounts receivable	19,610		22,773	
(Increase)/decrease in inventories	(431	)	318	
Decrease in prepaid expenses	3,099		4,402	
Decrease in accounts payable and				
other current liabilities	(30,332	)	(18,369	)
Change in current income taxes	23,530		18,395	
Net change in lease assets and liabilities	743		(24	)
Increase in other assets	(1,562	)	(5,274	)
Increase in other liabilities	2,958		5,759	
Other (uses)/sources	(15	)	710	
Net cash provided by operating activities	101,090		106,719	
Cash Flows from Investing Activities				
Capital expenditures	(12,649	)	(17,697	)
Business combinations, net of cash acquired	(1,650	)	-	
Other sources	351		274	
Net cash used by investing activities	(13,948	)	(17,423	)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities				
Payments on revolving line of credit	(86,500	)	-	
Proceeds from revolving line of credit	21,500		-	
Purchases of treasury stock	(27,794	)	(41,107	)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	7,692		11,026	

Change in cash overdrafts payable			(7,051	)	-	
Dividends paid			(5,322	)	(5,437	)
Capital stock surrendered to pay taxes on sto	ock-based c	ompensation	(4,893	)	(6,613	)
Other sources			491		316	
Net cash used by financing activities			(101,877	)	(41,81	5)
(Decrease)/Increase in Cash and Cash Eq	uivalents		(14,735	)	47,481	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of ye	ear		32,895		162,67	'5
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			\$ 18,160		<b>\$</b> 210,15	6
CHEMED CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES CONSOLIDATING STATEMENTS OF INCOME FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2022 AND 2021 (in thousands)(unaudited)						
2022 (a)	VITAS	Roto-Roote	er Corporat	-	emed nsolidate	ed
Service revenues and sales	\$299,189	\$ 231,360	\$ -	\$5	30,549	
Cost of services provided and goods sold	227,240	109,312	-	3	36,552	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	22,453	56,954	10,547	8	9,954	
Depreciation	5,551	6,569	18	1	2,138	
Amortization	24	2,494	-	2	,518	
Other operating expense/(income)	(148 )	161	-	1	3	
Total costs and expenses	255,120	175,490	10,565	4	41,175	
Income/(loss) from operations	44,069	55,870	(10,565	) 8	9,374	
Interest expense	(52 )	(115	) (643	) (	810	)
Intercompany interest income/(expense)	4,656	2,176	(6,832	) -		
Other income—net	37	35	(3,934	) (;	3,862	)
Income/(loss) before income taxes	48,710	57,966	(21,974	) 8	4,702	
Income taxes	(12,229)	(14,029	) 5,725	(2	20,533	)
Net income/(loss)	\$36,481	\$ 43,937	\$ (16,249	)\$6	4,169	
2021 (b)						

Service revenues and sales	\$315,788 \$211,572	\$ -	\$ 527,360

Cost of services provided and goods sold	238,667	101,806	-	340,473	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	22,090	53,322	16,187	91,599	
Depreciation	5,338	6,353	24	11,715	
Amortization	18	2,492	-	2,510	
Other operating expense	502	120	-	622	
Total costs and expenses	266,615	164,093	16,211	446,919	
Income/(loss) from operations	49,173	47,479	(16,211)	80,441	
Interest expense	(42 )	(89)	(250)	(381	)
Intercompany interest income/(expense)	4,525	1,620	(6,145 )	-	
Other income—net	533	31	3,038	3,602	
Income/(loss) before income taxes	54,189	49,041	(19,568)	83,662	
Income taxes	(13,419)	(11,864 )	7,021	(18,262	)
Net income/(loss)	\$40,770	\$ 37,177	\$ (12,547)\$	\$ 65,400	

The "Footnotes to Financial Statements" are integral parts of this financial information. CHEMED CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES CONSOLIDATING SUMMARIES OF EBITDA FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2022 AND 2021

(in thousands)(unaudited)

	VITAS	F	Roto-Root	er	Corporate	Chemed Consolidat	ed
2022					•		
Net income/(loss)	\$ 36,481	0	\$ 43,937		\$ (16,249 )	\$ 64,169	
Add/(deduct):							
Interest expense	52		115		643	810	
Income taxes	12,229		14,029		(5,725)	20,533	
Depreciation	5,551		6,569		18	12,138	
Amortization	24		2,494		-	2,518	
EBITDA	54,337		67,144		(21,313 )	100,168	
Add/(deduct):							
Intercompany interest expense/(income)	(4,656	)	(2,176	)	6,832	-	
Interest income	(37	)	(36	)	-	(73	)

Stock option expense	-	-	7	7,451	7,451	
Direct costs related to COVID-19	391	961	-	-	1,352	
Long-term incentive compensation	-	-	1	1,310	1,310	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 50,035	\$ 65,893	\$ (	(5,720 ) \$	5 110,208	
2021						
Net income/(loss)	\$ 40,770	\$ 37,177	\$ (	(12,547)\$	65,400	
Add/(deduct):						
Interest expense	42	89	2	250	381	
Income taxes	13,419	11,864	(	(7,021 )	18,262	
Depreciation	5,338	6,353	2	24	11,715	
Amortization	18	2,492	-	-	2,510	
EBITDA	59,587	57,975	(	(19,294 )	98,268	
Add/(deduct):						
Intercompany interest expense/(income)	) (4,525)	(1,620	) 6	6,145	-	
Interest income	(61 )	(31	) -	-	(92	)
Stock option expense	-	-	6	6,106	6,106	
Direct costs related to COVID-19	1,753	553	3	38	2,344	
Long-term incentive compensation	-	-	1	1,893	1,893	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 56,754	\$ 56,877	\$ (	(5,112 ) \$	5 108,519	

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(in thousands, except per share data)(unaudited)

	Three Months	Ended March 31,
	2022	2021
Net income as reported	\$ 64,169	\$ 65,400
Add/(deduct) pre-tax cost of:		
Stock option expense	7,451	6,106
Amortization of reacquired franchise agreements	s <b>2,352</b>	2,352

Direct costs related to COVID-19	1,352		2,344	
Long-term incentive compensation	1,310		1,893	
Add/(deduct) tax impacts:				
Tax impact of the above pre-tax adjustments (1)	(2,413	)	(2,487	)
Excess tax benefits on stock compensation	(1,441	)	(3,238	)
Adjusted net income	\$ 72,780	\$	72,370	
Diluted Earnings Per Share As Reported				
Net income	\$ 4.22	\$	4.01	
Average number of shares outstanding	15,192		16,310	
Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share				
Adjusted net income	\$ 4.79	\$	4.44	
Average number of shares outstanding	15,192		16,310	

(1) The tax impact of pre-tax adjustments was calculated using the effective tax rate of the operating unit for which each adjustment is associated.

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(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
OPERATING STATISTICS	2022		2021	
Net revenue (\$000) (c)				
Homecare	\$ 257,636		\$263,754	
Inpatient	26,570		29,156	
Continuous care	19,578		27,349	
Other	3,007		2,938	
Subtotal	\$ 306,791		\$ 323,197	
Room and board, net	(2,117	)	(2,665	)
Contractual allowances	(2,985	)	(3,244	)
Medicare cap allowance	(2,500	)	(1,500	)
Net Revenue	\$ 299,189		\$315,788	
Net revenue as a percent of total before Medicare cap allowance				
Homecare	84.0	%	81.6	%

Inpatient	8.7		9.0		
Continuous care	6.4		8.5		
Other	0.9		0.9		
Subtotal	100.0		100.0		
Room and board, net	(0.7	)	(0.8	)	
Contractual allowances	(1.0	)	(1.0	)	
Medicare cap allowance	(0.8	)	(0.5	)	
Net Revenue	97.5	%	97.7	%	
Days of care					
Homecare	1,258,67	2	1,329,892		
Nursing home	248,468		232,783		
Respite	5,368		4,840		
Subtotal routine homecare and respite	1,512,50	B	1,567,515		
Inpatient	24,587		27,674		
Continuous care	21,082		29,300		
Total	1,558,17	7	1,624,489		
Number of days in relevant time period	90		90		
Average daily census ("ADC") (days)					
Homecare	13,985		14,777		
Nursing home	2,761		2,586		
Respite	60		54		
Subtotal routine homecare and respite	16,806		17,417		
Inpatient	273		307		
Continuous care	234		326		
Total	17,313		18,050		
Total Admissions	16,530		18,135		
Total Discharges	16,862	18,516			

Average length of stay (days)	104.8		94.4	
Median length of stay (days)	14.0		12.0	
ADC by major diagnosis				
Cerebro	36.7	%	35.9	%
Neurological	22.9		22.1	
Cancer	11.1		12.2	
Cardio	15.9		15.8	
Respiratory	7.4		7.8	
Other	6.0		6.2	
Total	100.0	%	100.0	%
Admissions by major diagnosis				
Cerebro	22.9	%	21.4	%
Neurological	12.9		12.3	
Cancer	24.9		25.0	
Cardio	14.1		14.2	
Respiratory	11.1		11.0	
Other	14.1		16.1	
Total	100.0	%	100.0	%
Estimated uncollectible accounts as a percent of revenues	1.0	%	1.0	%
Accounts receivable				
Days of revenue outstanding-excluding unapplied Medicare payments 33.6				
Days of revenue outstanding-including unapplied Medicare payments 23.9				
The "Footnotes to Financial Statements" are integral parts of this financial information. CHEMED CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES FOOTNOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2022 AND 2021 (unaudited)				

(a) Included in the results of operations for 2022 are the following significant credits/(charges) which may not be indicative of ongoing operations (in thousands):

Three Months	Ended March 31, 2022		
VITAS	Roto-Rooter	Corporate	Consolidated

Stock option expense	\$ -	\$	-	\$	6 (7,451	) \$	(7,451	)
Amortization of reacquired franchise agreements	-		(2,352	)	-		(2,352	)
Direct costs related to COVID-19	(391	)	(961	)	-		(1,352	)
Long-term incentive compensation	-		-		(1,310	)	(1,310	)
Pretax impact on earnings	(391	)	(3,313	)	(8,761	)	(12,465	)
Excess tax benefits on stock compensation	-		-		1,441		1,441	
Income tax benefit on the above	99		878		1,436		2,413	
After-tax impact on earnings	\$ (292	) \$	(2,435	) \$	6 (5,884	) \$	(8,611	)

(b) Included in the results of operations for 2021 are the following significant credits/(charges) which may not be indicative of ongoing operations (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2021 VITAS Roto-Rooter				Corporate		Consolidated	
Stock option expense	\$-	\$	-	:	\$ (6,106	)	\$ (6,106	)
Amortization of reacquired franchise agreements	-		(2,352	)	-		(2,352	)
Direct costs related to COVID-19	(1,753	)	(553	)	(38	)	(2,344	)
Long-term incentive compensation	-		-		(1,893	)	(1,893	)
Pretax impact on earnings	(1,753	)	(2,905	)	(8,037	)	(12,695	)
Excess tax benefits on stock compensation	-		-		3,238		3,238	
Income tax benefit on the above	445		769		1,273		2,487	
After-tax impact on earnings	\$ (1,308	) \$	(2,136	)	\$ (3,526	)	\$ (6,970	)

VITAS has 8 large (greater than 450 ADC), 20 medium (greater than 200 but less than 450 ADC) and 24 small (less than 200 ADC) hospice (c) programs. Of Vitas' 30 Medicare provider numbers, for the current cap year, 28 provider numbers have a Medicare cap cushion of greater than 10% and two provider numbers have a Medicare cap liability.

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