

## **The HM hospital group acknowledges its failure to report the acquisition of sole control of the Hospital General de la Santísima Trinidad and pays the fine**

- In December 2024, the group's parent company (PME) acquired sole control of the Hospital General de la Santísima Trinidad through its subsidiary Hospital de Salamanca.
- PME and Hospital de Salamanca should have notified the CNMC of the transaction before executing it, in accordance with the Spanish Competition Act.
- The Commission terminates the infringement proceedings against the parent company and its subsidiary because they acknowledge their responsibility and pay the fine in advance.

**Madrid, 8 August 2025.** The Spanish National Markets and Competition Commission (CNMC) has fined Profesionales de la Medicina y de la Empresa, S.A. (PME) €83,000 and its subsidiary, Hospital de Salamanca (HM Salamanca), €23,700 for acquiring exclusive control of the Hospital General de la Santísima Trinidad (Hospital ST) without prior notification ([SNC/DC/090/25](#)).

This practice is known in competition jargon as gun jumping and involves breaching Article 9.1 of the [Spanish Competition Act](#), which requires companies to notify their transactions before executing them.

In February 2025, HM Salamanca pre-notified the concentration *ad cautelam*, following a request for information from the CNMC. In May, the CNMC opened infringement proceedings for this breach ([press release](#)). On 4 June, HM Salamanca notified the operation and on 25 June, the Commission authorised it in first phase without commitments ([C/1566/25](#)).

### **Admission of infringement and reduction of the fine**

During the infringement proceedings, HM Salamanca and PME acknowledged their responsibility and invoked [Article 85.3 of Law 39/2015](#), which allows for a reduction of up to 40% of the penalty amount (finally HM Salamanca paid €14,220 and PME paid €49,800) if the company accepts responsibility for the breach and pays in advance.

In view of the above, the CNMC has terminated the infringement proceedings:

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