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## **RICI HEALTHCARE HOLDINGS LIMITED**

**瑞慈醫療服務控股有限公司**

*(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

**(Stock Code: 1526)**

### **CHANGE OF AUDITOR**

This announcement is made by Rici Healthcare Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”) pursuant to Rule 13.51(4) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Listing Rules**”).

### **RESIGNATION OF AUDITOR**

The board (the “**Board**”) of directors (the “**Directors**”) of the Company announces that PricewaterhouseCoopers (“**PwC**”) has resigned as the auditor of the Company with effect from December 13, 2022 as PwC and the Company could not reach a consensus on the audit fee for the financial year ending December 31, 2022.

Besides, for the purpose of maintaining good corporate governance practice and improving its standard, the Board and the audit committee of the Company (the “**Audit Committee**”) consider that as PwC has been the Company’s auditor since May 12, 2015, the resignation would be in the best interest of the Company and its shareholders (the “**Shareholders**”) as a whole in terms of cost control as well as maintaining good corporate governance practice.

The Company is incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands and to the knowledge of the Board there is no requirement under the laws of the Cayman Islands for the resigning auditor to confirm whether or not there is any circumstance connected with their resignation which they consider should be brought to the attention of the Shareholders and creditors. PwC has therefore not issued such confirmation.

The Board and the Audit Committee confirm that there is no disagreement between the Company and PwC except for the audit fee for the financial year ending December 31, 2022 and there is no matter in connection with the resignation of PwC as the auditor of the Company that needs to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders and creditors.

The Board believes that the change of auditor will not have any significant impact on the annual audit and the release of annual results of the Group for the year ending December 31, 2022.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to extend its heartfelt gratitude to PwC for its professional services and advice to the Company in the past years.

## **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR**

The Board announces that, having considered the recommendation from the Audit Committee, it has resolved to appoint BDO Limited (“**BDO**”) as the new auditor of the Company with effect from December 14, 2022 to fill the casual vacancy following the resignation of PwC and to hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company. Pursuant to Article 46.5 of the articles of association of the Company, if the office of auditor becomes vacant by the resignation or death of the auditor, the Board has the power to fill the vacancy in the office of auditor and to fix the remuneration of the auditor so appointed. Accordingly, no extraordinary general meeting will be held for such purpose.

The Board welcomes to the appointment of BDO as the new auditor of the Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors  
**Rici Healthcare Holdings Limited**  
**Fang Yixin**  
*Chairman and Chief Executive Officer*

Shanghai, the PRC, December 14, 2022

*As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises four executive Directors, namely, Dr. Fang Yixin, Dr. Mei Hong, Mr. Fang Haoze and Ms. Lin Xiaoying; and three independent non-executive Directors, namely, Dr. Wang Yong, Mr. Jiang Peixing and Ms. Wong Sze Wing.*