

## ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

# CORTEXA MAKES FIRST SUPPLY OF PSILOCYBIN UNDER THE TGA'S AUTHORISED PRESCRIBER SCHEME

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**Melbourne, Australia** – Vitura Health Limited (ASX: VIT) (**Vitura** and **Company**) is pleased to announce that, through its joint venture, Cortexa Pty. Ltd. (**Cortexa**), in what is an Australian first, has supplied GMP Psilocybin for therapeutic use by a patient outside of a clinical trial, under the authorised prescriber scheme. Australia is currently the only market in the world to permit GMP Psilocybin for therapeutic use (outside of clinical trials).

In doing so, Cortexa is now established as the first Australian company able to immediately manufacture, supply and deliver both GMP MDMA and Psilocybin for both clinical trials and prescriptions via the TGA's Authorised Prescriber Scheme.

### Cortexa in the Australian Market



In May 2023, Vitura announced the establishment of a 50:50 joint venture, Cortexa, with Canadian-based PharmAla Biotech Holdings Inc. (CSE: MDMA, OTC: MDXXF) (**PharmAla**), a biotechnology company focused on the research, development, and manufacture of MDXX class molecules (including MDMA) to supply both MDMA and Psilocybin that meet an acceptable standard of good manufacturing practice for prescription use in Australia as from 1 July 2023.

On that date, these medicines were rescheduled by the TGA from Schedule 9 to Schedule 8 and were able to be prescribed under the Authorised Prescriber Scheme by authorised Psychiatrists for the treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder (MDMA) and for treatment-resistant depression (Psilocybin).

Since the rescheduling, Cortexa has commenced building its footprint in the Australian psychedelic market. Cortexa has created a national network of relationships with research institutes, key opinion leaders and emerging clinicians, and supported psychiatrists for obtaining their authorised prescriber status. Supply arrangements have been secured for both clinical trials and authorised prescribers' use for 2024 and beyond.

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Cortexa looks forward to continuing to support patients and prescribers, now and into the future.

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## About Vitura Health Limited (ASX:VIT)

[www.vitura.com.au](http://www.vitura.com.au)

Vitura Health Limited is diversified digital health business listed on the ASX (ASX:VIT) and, via its wholly owned subsidiaries, operates the following businesses:

- [www.burleighheadscannabis.com](http://www.burleighheadscannabis.com)  
Burleigh Heads Cannabis operates the market leading prescriber, patient, pharmacy and supplier online ecosystem, CanView, which sells and distributes 350+ therapeutic product and device SKUs within Australia from approximately 40 international and domestic brands.
- [www.canview.com.au](http://www.canview.com.au)  
CanView is being developed to be a complete end-to-end healthcare ecosystem designed to provide doctors, pharmacists and patients with a simple and cost-effective way to facilitate the treatment of patients with increased efficiency and compliance. The CanView system is based on a medicines wholesaling platform which seamlessly brings together a number of disparate SAAS (software-as-a-service) providers including inventory control, invoicing, customer management, reporting and analytics, all linked together through customised integration from third party providers. Underpinning the suite of SAAS elements are a number of bespoke, internally-generated operating procedures and intellectual property assets, supported by the CanView customer support and infield customer engagement teams. Through the integration of the different elements which together make up CanView, the platform provides the best user experience in the industry.

Through the Company's relationships with third party integrators, CanView provides Australian doctors with the ability to integrate their patient management systems directly with the platform and to use their patient information to generate electronic prescriptions within the CanView platform, without the need to input the patient's details. Prescriptions are then sent directly to the CanView patient app where patients can manage their treatment and submit the prescription and subsequent repeats to one of the 4,100+ Australian pharmacies with accounts on CanView for dispensing.

While the Company's current operations focus on the sale and distribution of medicinal cannabis products, Vitura is fully licensed and equipped, via its two state-of-the-art distribution centres in Melbourne and the Gold Coast, to distribute all products under Schedules 2, 3, 4, 8 and 9. The establishment during the year of the Company's joint venture to distribute psychedelic products, including MDMA and Psilocybin, is a timely example of the many opportunities that the Company believes can be seamlessly integrated into its existing digital health platform business.

- [www.doctorsondemand.com.au](http://www.doctorsondemand.com.au)  
The Company owns Doctors on Demand Pty Ltd, a nationwide 24/7 x 365 telehealth platform business that provide innovative primary health solutions to hundreds of thousands of B2C and B2B patients annually. Services include general medical consults, urgent care, medical certificates, pathology referrals, specialist referrals, men's health, women's health, medicated weight loss and smoking cessation.
- [www.cortexa.com.au](http://www.cortexa.com.au)  
The Company owns 50% of Cortexa Pty Ltd, an incorporated joint venture with Canadian-based PharmAla Biotech (CSE:MDMA). Cortexa aims to be the leading supplier of psychedelics, GMP MDMA and GMP psilocybin, for research and therapeutic use in Australia.



- [www.cdaclinics.com.au](http://www.cdaclinics.com.au)

The Company owns CDA Clinics that undertakes nationwide telehealth consultations with patients seeking access to medicinal cannabis.

- [www.cannadoc.com.au](http://www.cannadoc.com.au)

The Company owns 75.5% of Cannadoc Health Pty Ltd, a medicinal cannabis clinic business that undertakes nationwide telehealth consultations with patients seeking access to medicinal cannabis.

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#### **Forward-looking statements**

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