



SONIC
HEALTHCARE
LIMITED

Friday 9 July 2004

**SONIC'S PROPORTIONAL TAKEOVER OFFER FOR
INDEPENDENT PRACTITIONER NETWORK LIMITED**

Enclosed is a notice of despatch of proportional takeover offers pursuant to item 8 of section 633(1) of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth).

Dr Colin Goldschmidt
Managing Director

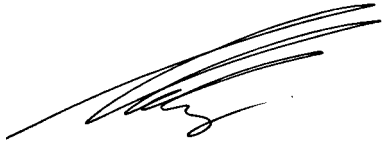
Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)

Section 633(1), Item 8

Notice of Despatch

Sonic Healthcare Limited (ABN 24 004 196 909) gives notice in accordance with item 8 of section 633(1) of the *Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)* that the bidder's statement dated 9 July 2004, which includes an offer dated 12 July 2004, in relation to a proportional takeover bid for ordinary shares in Independent Practitioner Network Limited (ABN 13 083 519 377) has been sent to each person who held securities in the bid class as at the date set by Sonic Healthcare Limited pursuant to section 633(2), as required by item 6 of section 633(1). The offers have been made on the terms set out in the bidder's statement dated 9 July 2004.

Dated 9 July 2004



Chris Wilks, Director

For and on behalf of Sonic Healthcare Limited