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Fitch: AnMed Cyber Incident Highlights Sector Risk

Fitch Ratings-Chicago/New York-12 August 2026: The recent cyberattack on AnMed Health (AA-/Stable) is unlikely to affect the system's ratings in the near term due to its strong financial profile, and significant rating headroom, according to Fitch Ratings. However, ratings could be adversely affected the longer business operations remain constrained, and if the financial profile significantly deteriorates.

AnMed Health disclosed that it had experienced a cybersecurity disruption on July 26, 2026. The incident disrupted computer systems, phone lines and internet connectivity, prompting the temporary closure of nearly 80 of its 106 facilities, resulting in diversions, and restraining certain patient services. All but 10 facilities have since reopened. While some appointments, elective procedures and transfers have been affected, AnMed has continued to provide care under established downtime procedures, with patient safety guiding operational decisions.

Fitch will monitor for any potential financial, operational, reputation effects, or signs of a deterioration in governance or risk management as this event is resolved. Future negative ratings implications are viewed as unlikely given the substantial ratings headroom relative to established sensitivities. Fitch does not believe this incident will affect capital or financial performance for the full year, but will have an effect on earnings for the quarter. Future rating actions cannot be completely ruled out given uncertainty surrounding the final outcomes stemming from the incident.

More broadly, this incident highlights the potential for cyberattacks across the healthcare sector. While cyber incidents have not typically resulted in rating actions, they continue to demonstrate the vulnerability of provider operations to technology outages and malicious network intrusions. As threat actors become more sophisticated, cyber events could present more meaningful risks to healthcare delivery, financial performance and reputational stability, making continued monitoring essential.

Fitch affirmed the ratings on AnMed's senior debt ratings at 'AA-' with a Stable Rating Outlook on July 21, 2026.