

AMEDISYS INC  
Form 8-K  
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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**Form 8-K**

**Current Report**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 2, 2008**

**Commission File Number: 0-24260**

**Amedisys, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

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(State or Other Jurisdiction of

(I.R.S. Employer

Incorporation or Organization)

Identification No.)

5959 S. Sherwood Forest Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70816

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(225) 292-2031 or (800) 467-2662

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Section 7 Regulation FD**

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure**

On October 2, 2008, Amedisys, Inc. issued a press release entitled "Amedisys Closes Transaction to Add Six Home Health Agencies and Purchases Home Health and Hospice Agencies in Washington," a copy of which is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

When included in this Current Report on Form 8-K, words like "believes," "belief," "expects," "plans," "anticipates," "intends," "projects," "estimates," "might," "would" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements as defined by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements involve a variety of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected therein. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to: general economic and business conditions, changes in or failure to comply with existing regulations or the inability to comply with new government regulations on a timely basis, changes in Medicare and other medical reimbursement levels, our ability to complete acquisitions announced from time to time, and any financing related thereto, our ability to meet debt service requirements, our ability to comply with covenants in debt agreements, adverse changes in federal and state laws relating to the health care industry, demographic changes, availability and terms of capital, our ability to attract and retain qualified personnel, ongoing development and success of new start-ups, our ability to successfully integrate newly acquired agencies, changes in estimates and judgments associated with critical accounting policies, business disruption due to natural disasters or acts of terrorism, and various other matters, many of which are beyond our control.

Because forward-looking statements are inherently subject to risks and uncertainties, some of which cannot be predicted or quantified, you should not rely on any forward-looking statement as a prediction of future events. We expressly disclaim any obligation or undertaking and we do not intend to release publicly any updates or changes in our expectations concerning the forward-looking statements included in this Current Report on Form 8-K or any changes in events, conditions or circumstances upon which any forward-looking statement may be based.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, the information presented herein shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Exchange Act of 1933, as amended, except as previously set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired.

Not applicable

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information.

Not applicable

(c) Shell Company Transactions.

Not applicable

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated October 2, 2008 entitled "Amedisys Closes Transaction to Add Six Home Health Agencies and Purchases Home Health and Hospice Agencies in Washington" (furnished only)

**Signature**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Amedisys, Inc.

Date: October 2, 2008

By: /s/ Dale E. Redman  
Dale E. Redman  
Chief Financial Officer

**Exhibit Index**

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>   |
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