

AMERICAN HEALTHWAYS INC  
Form 8-K  
December 21, 2005

**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): December 21, 2005

**American Healthways, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

000-19364

62-1117144

(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

3841 Green Hills Village Drive  
Nashville, Tennessee

37215

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

(615) 665-1122

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On December 21, 2005, American Healthways, Inc. issued a press release announcing earnings results for the first quarter ended November 30, 2005, the text of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. This information furnished pursuant to this Item 2.02 and Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

#### (c) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release.

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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.

American Healthways, Inc.

/s/ Mary A. Chaput

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Mary A. Chaput  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: December 21, 2005

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| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>                    |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 99.1               | Press Release dated December 21, 2005 |

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