AMEDISYS INC Form 8-K January 13, 2009

## **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): January 13, 2009

Commission File Number: 0-24260

# Amedisys, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) 5959 S. Sherwood Forest Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70816

11-3131700 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

(Address of principal executive offices including zip code)

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

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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#### (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:

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Information to be included in the report

#### Section 7 Regulation FD

#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On January 13, 2009, representatives of Amedisys, Inc. (the Company ) began making presentations at investor conferences using slides containing the information attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1. The Company expects to use these slides, in whole or in part, and possibly with modifications, in connection with presentations to investors, analysts and others during 2009.

By filing this report on Form 8-K and furnishing this information, the Company makes no admission as to the materiality of any information in this report that is required to be disclosed solely by reason of Regulation FD.

The investor presentation slides include financial information not prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ( Non-GAAP Financial Measures ).

A reconciliation of the Non-GAAP Financial Measures included in the slides to financial information prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), as required by Regulation G, appears as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K

The Company is providing disclosure of the reconciliation of reported Non-GAAP Financial Measures used in the investor presentation slides, among other places, to its comparable financial measures on a GAAP basis. The Company believes that the Non-GAAP Financial Measures provide investors the ability to evaluate financial performance in a way that is comparable to measures reported by other home nursing companies.

The information contained in the slides is summary information that is intended to be considered in the context of the Company s Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) filings and other public announcements that it may make, by press release or otherwise, from time to time. The Company undertakes no duty or obligation to publicly update or revise the information contained in this report, although it may do so from time to time as its management believes is warranted. Any such updating may be made through the filing of other reports or documents with the SEC, through press releases or through other public disclosure.

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.

#### Use of our Website to Distribute Material Company Information

Our company website address is *www.amedisys.com*. We use our website as a channel of distribution for important company information. Important information, including press releases, analyst presentations and financial information regarding the Company is routinely posted on and accessible on the Investor Relations subpage of our website, which is accessible by clicking on the tab labeled Investors on our website home page. We will also use our website to expedite public access to time-critical information regarding the Company in advance of or in lieu of distributing a press release or a filing with the SEC disclosing the same information. In addition, we make available on the Investor Relations subpage of our website (under the link SEC filings) free of charge our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, ownership reports on Forms 3, 4 and 5 and any amendments to those reports as soon as practicable after we electronically file such reports with the SEC. Further, copies of our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws, our Code of Ethical Business Conduct and the charters for the Audit, Compensation and Nominating and Governance Committees of our Board are also available on the Investor Relations subpage of our website (under the link Corporate Governance ).

#### Certain Forward-Looking Statements

When included in this Current Report on Form 8-K, words like believes, belief, expects, plans, anticipates, intends, projects, estimated 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, our ability to effectively integrate, manage, keep secure and expand our information systems, changes in estimates and judgments associated with critical accounting

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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.

#### 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

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#### (d) Exhibits.

- 99.1 Investor Relations Slide Show in use beginning January 13, 2009
- 99.2 Reconciliations of Non-GAAP Financial Measures to GAAP Financial Measures

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: January 13, 2009

By: /s/ Dale E. Redman Dale E. Redman

Chief Financial Officer

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