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December 18, 2003

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. 4 )\*

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AMEDISYS, INC.

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(Name of Issuer)

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COMMON

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(Title of Class of Securities)

023436108

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(CUSIP Number)

David Nierenberg, The D3 Family Fund, 19605 NE 8th St., Camas, WA 98607  
(360) 604-8600

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number  
of Person Authorized to Receive  
Notices and Communications)

12/1/2003

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(Date of Event which Requires  
Filing of this Statement)

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1) NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

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S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

The D3 Family Fund, L.P. (David Nierenberg is President of the General Partner, which is Nierenberg Investment Management Company, Inc.)

- 2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*  
(a)  [ X ]  
(b)  [ ]

3) SEC USE ONLY

4) SOURCE OF FUNDS

WC

- 5) CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED  
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)  [ ]

6) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Washington

NUMBER OF  
SHARES

7) SOLE VOTING POWER  
915,780 (7.7%)

BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY  
EACH

8) SHARED VOTING POWER  
0

REPORTING  
PERSON

9) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
915,780

WITH

10) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
0

11) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

Aggregate amount owned is 1,459,944 shares (12.3%)

12) CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN  
SHARES\*  [ ]

13) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

12.3%

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14) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

PN

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PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)

[ ]

6) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Washington

NUMBER OF  
SHARES

7) SOLE VOTING POWER  
383,370 (3.2)

BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY  
EACH

8) SHARED VOTING POWER  
0

REPORTING  
PERSON

9) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
383,370

WITH

10) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
0

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SHARES\* [ ]

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12.3%

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The D3 Children's Fund, L.P.

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(a) [ X ]

(b) [ ]

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WC

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PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)

[ ]

6) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Washington

NUMBER OF 7) SOLE VOTING POWER

79,875 (0.7%)

SHARES

BENEFICIALLY 8) SHARED VOTING POWER

OWNED BY 0

EACH

REPORTING 9) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

79,875

PERSON

WITH 10) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

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11) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

Aggregate amount owned is 1,459,944 shares (12.3%)

12) CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\* [ ]

13) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

12.3%

14) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

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The D3 Offshore Fund, LP

2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a) [ X ]  
(b) [ ]

3) SEC USE ONLY

4) SOURCE OF FUNDS

WC

5) CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e) [ ]

6) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

The Bahamas

7) SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

79,419 (0.7%)

SHARES

8) SHARED VOTING POWER

OWNED BY

0

EACH

REPORTING

9) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

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PERSON 79,419  
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WITH 10) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
0  
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11) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
Aggregate amount owned is 1,459,944 shares (12.3%)  
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12) CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN  
SHARES\* [ ]  
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13) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)  
12.3%  
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14) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*  
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1) NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
Henry E. Hooper  
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2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*  
(a) [ X ]  
(b) [ ]  
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3) SEC USE ONLY  
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4) SOURCE OF FUNDS  
WC  
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5) CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED  
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e) [ ]  
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6) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Washington  
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7) SOLE VOTING POWER  
NUMBER OF 1,500 (0.0%)  
SHARES  
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BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	8) SHARED VOTING POWER	0
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	9) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	1,500
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	10) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER	0
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11)	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	
	Aggregate amount owned is 1,459,944 shares (12.3%)	
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12)	CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*	[    ]
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13)	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)	
	12.3%	
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14)	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*	
	IN	
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Item 1. Security and Issuer

Common stock of Amedisys, Inc. (AMED),  
11100 Mead Road, Suite 300,  
Baton Rouge, LA 70816

Item 2. Identity and Background

The D3 Family Fund, L.P., a Washington State limited partnership, whose principal business is investing in domestic micro-cap public equities. Located at 19605 N.E. 8th St., Camas, Washington 98607. No convictions or administrative proceedings as described in Item 2(d) and (e).

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

Source of funds is money invested in the partnership by its partners. Aggregate amount invested by The D3 Family Fund, L.P. in AMED is \$6,562,700.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

We have neither bought nor sold shares of AMED. Rather we are making this filing because AMED's recently announced private placement of common shares has altered our ownership percentage.

We remain convinced that home health care has solid prospects as the low cost, high quality alternative to inpatient hospitalization. And we believe that AMED has a bright future in this market segment, as a rapidly growing regional consolidator of high quality geriatric home

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nursing services for Medicare patients.

Though AMED's share price this year has risen from \$6.04 to recent price levels, we are still holding all of our shares for long-term investment. We view the company as being capable of growing EPS at a 30% annual rate for some time to come; therefore, we expect to remain a substantial shareholder at least until the company's forward P-E multiple rises to approximate its long-term earnings growth rate.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

- (a,b) D3 Family Fund owns and has sole voting power over 915,780 AMED shares.
- (c) N/A
- (d) N/A
- (e) N/A

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer  
N/A

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits  
N/A

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

August 6, 2003  
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Date

/s/DAVID NIERENBERG  
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David Nierenberg  
President  
Nierenberg Investment Management  
Company, Inc., the General Partner  
of The D3 Family Fund, L.P.

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Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

Source of funds is money invested in the partnership by its partners. Aggregate amount invested by The D3 Family Retirement Fund, L.P. in AMED is \$2,386,400.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction



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See Item 4., page 7.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

(a,b) D3 Family Retirement Fund owns and has sole voting power over 383,370 AMED shares.

(c) N/A

(d) N/A

(e) N/A

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer

N/A

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits

N/A

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

December 16, 2003

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Date

/s/DAVID NIERENBERG

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David Nierenberg  
President  
Nierenberg Investment Management  
Company, Inc., the General Partner  
of The D3 Family Retirement Fund, L.P.

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Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

Source of funds is money invested in the partnership by its partners. Aggregate amount invested by The D3 Children's Fund, L.P. in AMED is \$579,400.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

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See Item 4., page 7.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

(a,b) D3 Children's Fund owns and has sole voting power over 79,875 AMED shares.

(c) N/A

(d) N/A

(e) N/A

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer

N/A

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits

N/A

Signature

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December 16, 2003

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Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

Source of funds is money invested in the partnership by its partners. Aggregate amount invested by The D3 Children's Fund, L.P. in AMED is \$546,600.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

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See Item 4., page 7.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

(a,b) D3 Children's Fund owns and has sole voting power over 78,050 AMED shares.

(c) N/A

(d) N/A

(e) N/A

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer

N/A

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N/A

Signature

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December 16, 2003

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Baton Rouge, LA 70816

Item 2. Identity and Background

(a) Henry Hooper, a United States Citizen.

(b) 4317 Wistaria Dr., Portland, OR 97213.

(c) Mr. Hooper is a General Partner of the D3 Family Fund, LP.

(d) No convictions or administrative proceedings as described in Items 2(d) and (e).

(e) None.

(f) United States, resident of Oregon.

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Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

Mr. Hooper has sole voting and dispositive power over, his 1,500 AMED shares.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

See Item 4., page 7.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

(a,b) Mr. Hooper has sole voting and dispositive power over, his 1,500 AMED shares.

(c) N/A

(d) N/A

(e) N/A

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer

N/A

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits

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December 16, 2003

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