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#### 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 3, 2001** 

#### **CIGNA Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Delaware</u>

1-8323

06-1059331

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

One Liberty Place, 1650 Market Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19192

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

#### (215) 761-1000

Not Applicable

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

# Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

Officials of the Company expect to meet with securities analysts and investors on December 3, 2001. During that meeting, the officials expect to confirm the earnings expectations given in a conference call on November 2, 2001. A transcript of the November 2nd call is available at <a href="http://www.cigna.com/general/investor/3q">http://www.cigna.com/general/investor/3q</a> 2001 transcript.html.

# CAUTIONARY STATEMENT FOR PURPOSES OF THE "SAFE HARBOR" PROVISIONS OF THE PRIVATE SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM ACT OF 1995

CIGNA and its representatives may from time to time make written and oral forward-looking statements, including statements contained in CIGNA s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, in its reports to shareholders and in meetings with analysts and investors. These statements may contain information about financial prospects, economic conditions, trends and known uncertainties. CIGNA cautions that actual results could differ materially from those that management expects, depending on the outcome of certain factors. Some factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements include:

1. increases in medical costs that are higher than anticipated in establishing premium rates in CIGNA's health care operations, including increased use and costs of medical services;

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increased medical, administrative, technology or other costs resulting from legislative, regulatory and litigation challenges to, and new regulatory requirements imposed on, CIGNA's health care business;

- 3. heightened competition, particularly price competition, which could reduce product margins and constrain growth in CIGNA's businesses;
- 4. significant reductions in customer retention;
- 5. significant changes in interest rates;
- 6. significant and sustained stock market declines which could, among other things, trigger payments contingent on certain variable annuity account values;
- 7. significant deterioration in economic conditions, which could have an adverse effect on CIGNA's operations and investments; and
- 8. changes in federal income tax laws.

This list of important factors is not intended to be exhaustive. There may be other risk factors that would preclude CIGNA from realizing the predictions made in the forward-looking statements. While CIGNA may periodically update this discussion of risk factors, CIGNA does not undertake to update any forward-looking statement that may be made by or on behalf of CIGNA prior to its next required filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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.

CIGNA CORPORATION

Date: December 3, 2001 By: /s/James A. Sears

James A. Sears Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer