October 22, 2004

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 22, 2004

UNIVERSAL HEALTH SERVICES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or Other Jurisdiction

1-10765 (Commission 23-2077891 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

UNIVERSAL CORPORATE CENTER

367 SOUTH GULPH ROAD

KING OF PRUSSIA, PENNSYLVANIA (Address of principal executive offices)

19406 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code

(610) 768-3300

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 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 21, 2004, Universal Health Services, Inc. (the Company) issued its 2004 third quarter earnings release. A copy of the Company s press release is furnished as exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits. 99.1 Universal Health Services, Inc. Press Release dated October 21, 2004

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.

Universal Health Services, Inc.

By: /s/ Alan B. Miller

Name: Alan B. Miller

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Steve Filton

Name: Steve Filton

Title: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: October 22, 2004

Exhibit Index

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99.1	Press release, dated October 21, 2004