KINDRED HEALTHCARE, INC Form 8-K September 24, 2010

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): September 23, 2010

KINDRED HEALTHCARE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of

001-14057 (Commission 61-1323993 (IRS Employer

incorporation or organization)

File Number)

Identification No.)

680 South Fourth Street

Louisville, Kentucky

(Address of principal executive offices)

40202-2412

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (502) 596-7300

Not Applicable

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

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

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On September 23, 2010, Kindred Healthcare, Inc. (the Company) entered into an amendment (the Amendment) of its Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of July 18, 2007 among the Company, the Lenders party thereto, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent (the Credit Facility).

The Amendment increases the amount permitted for acquisitions and certain investments by the Company from \$500 million to \$750 million.

A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

Incorporated by reference is a press release issued by the Company on September 23, 2010, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. This information is being furnished under Item 7.01 and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or otherwise subject to the liability of such section.

Item 9.01.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 10.1 Amendment No. 1 to the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of July 18, 2007 among the Company, the Lenders party thereto, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent.

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated September 23, 2010.

SIGNATURES

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 hereto duly authorized.

Date: September 24, 2010 By:

/s/ JOSEPH L. LANDENWICH
 Joseph L. Landenwich
Senior Vice President, Corporate Legal Affairs

and Corporate Security