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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## **SCHEDULE TO**

(Rule 13e-4)

Tender Offer Statement Under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

# MEDAREX, INC.

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer) and Filing Person (Offeror))

Options To Purchase Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (Title of Class of Securities)

#### 583916

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities of Underlying Common Stock)

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(Name, address and telephone number of person authorized to receive notices and communications on behalf of filing person)

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#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

**Transaction Valuation\***Not Applicable

Amount of Filing Fee\*
Not Applicable

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- o Third-party tender offer subject to Rule 14d-1.
- x Issuer tender offer subject to Rule 13e-4.
- o Going-private transaction subject to Rule 13e-3.
- o Amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

Check the following box if the filing is a final amendment reporting the results of the tender offer: 0

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Attached is a memorandum from Irwin Lerner, the Interim President and Chief Executive Officer of Medarex, Inc. (Medarex), to Medarex employees regarding a proposed tender offer (the Preliminary Communication) pursuant to which Medarex would offer to amend, at the election of the applicable current employee-option holder, specified portions of certain stock options granted under certain Medarex stock option plans (the Eligible Options). Eligible Options that are amended in connection with the proposed tender offer will generally have the same material terms and conditions as they did prior to the amendment, including the same exercise and vesting schedule and expiration date, except that amended options will have a new exercise price. The Preliminary Communication does not constitute an offer to Medarex option-holders to amend their Eligible Options.

At the time the tender offer has commenced, Medarex will provide eligible employee option-holders with written materials explaining the official terms and conditions of the tender offer. Persons who are eligible to participate in the tender offer should read these written materials carefully when they become available because they will contain important information about the tender offer. Medarex will also file these written materials with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) as part of a tender offer statement upon the commencement of the tender offer. Medarex shareholders and option-holders will be able to obtain these written materials and other documents filed by Medarex with the SEC free of charge from the SEC s website at www.sec.gov. In addition, shareholders and option-holders may request a free copy of the tender offer statement and other documents related to the tender offer from Medarex after such documents are filed with the SEC.

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## ITEM 12. EXHIBITS.

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Memorandum from Irwin Lerner to Medarex employees regarding stock option-related matters