

ENSIGN GROUP, INC  
Form 8-K  
December 18, 2008

**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): December 17, 2008**

**The Ensign Group, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**001-33757**

(Commission File Number)

**33-0861263**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**27101 Puerta Real, Suite 450, Mission Viejo, CA**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**92691**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(949) 487-9500**

**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)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01 Other Events**

On December 17, 2008, The Ensign Group, Inc. (the Company ) issued a press release regarding certain events involving the Company and six of its facilities. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The foregoing information in this Current Report, including the related exhibit attached hereto, is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of such section. The foregoing information in this Current Report, including the related exhibit attached hereto, shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release of the Company.

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**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 hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: December 17, 2008

THE ENSIGN GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Alan J. Norman

Alan J. Norman  
Chief Financial Officer

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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