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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): November 8, 2013

MEDICINOVA, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

001-33185 (Commission

33-0927979 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)
4275 Executive Square, Suite 650

Identification No.)

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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (858) 373-1500

Not Applicable

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

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Item 1.01 Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.

On November 8, 2013, MediciNova, Inc. (the Company) gave notice of termination of the Confidential Consulting Agreement dated September 1, 2011 by and between the Company and FLG Partners, LLC, pursuant to which Michael J. Gennaro was appointed to serve as the Company s Chief Financial Officer. Concurrently with the notice of termination, Mr. Gennaro no longer serves as the Company s principal financial officer and principal accounting officer.

Item 5.02Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Reference is made to Item 1.01 above. Effective November 11, 2013, the Company retained the accounting services firm of Mead van den Boom & Associates to replace Mr. Gennaro and FLG Partners, LLC in its financial reporting oversight role. During a transition period, Yuichi Iwaki, M.D., Ph.D., President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, will also serve as the Company s Acting Chief Financial Officer and its principal financial officer and principal accounting officer.

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: November 12, 2013

MEDICINOVA, INC.

By: /s/ Yuichi Iwaki

Yuichi Iwaki, M.D., Ph.D.

President and Chief Executive Officer

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