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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| Form 8-K |
| CURRENT REPORT |
| Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934 |
| Date of Report: August 3, 2004 |
| Commission File Number 1-4034 |
| |
| DAVITA INC. |

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Delaware (State of incorporation)

51-0354549 (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

| Exhibit | |
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| Number | Description |
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| 99.1 | Press Release, dated August 2, 2004, announcing the registrant s financial results for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2004. |

Item 12. Disclosure of Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On August 2, 2004, DaVita Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2004. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

The attached press release contains non-GAAP financial measures. For purposes of Regulation G, a non-GAAP financial measure is a numerical measure of a company s performance, financial position, or cash flows that either excludes or includes amounts that are not normally excluded or included in the most directly comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. To supplement our consolidated financial results presented in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in the United States, or GAAP, for all periods presented, we have used non-GAAP measures of (a) free cash flow, (b) operating cash flows and free cash flows excluding Medicare lab recoveries related to prior period services and excluding the tax benefit from stock option exercises, and (c) operating income excluding depreciation, amortization, and minority interest (used to calculate debt leverage ratio). These non-GAAP financial measures are provided to enhance the user s overall understanding of our current financial performance and our prospects for the future. In addition, because we have historically reported certain non-GAAP financial measures in our financial results that exclude certain non-recurring expenses and Medicare lab recoveries for prior years—services, we believe the inclusion of these non-GAAP financial measures provides consistency and comparability in our financial reporting to prior periods for which these non-GAAP financial measures were previously reported. These non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered or used as a substitute for or superior to GAAP financial measures. Reconciliations of the non-GAAP financial measures to the most comparable GAAP financial measures are included in the attached press release.

The attached press release also contains forward-looking statements relating to our performance for 2004. The Company undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. A more thorough discussion of certain factors which may affect our operating results are included under the captions Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, and will also be included in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2004.

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SIGNATURES

| Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act | t of 1934, the registrant has duly | y caused this report to be sign | ed on its behalf by the |
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| undersigned hereunto duly authorized. | | | |

DaVita Inc.

Date: August 3, 2004 /s/ Gary W. Beil

Gary W. Beil

Interim Chief Financial Officer, Vice President and Controller

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