WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC.

Form 8-K

November 15, 2016

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 15, 2016

WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-32209 47-0937650 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer

of incorporation) Identification No.)

8735 Henderson Road,

Renaissance One

Tampa, Florida 33634

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (813) 290-6200

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- "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 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

Members of the management team of WellCare Health Plans, Inc. (the "Company") will be presenting the information attached as Exhibit 99.1 at the Stifel 2016 Healthcare Conference on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 8:45 a.m., as well as in connection with general investor discussions.

The presentation furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto is incorporated by reference herein.

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This Item 7.01 of the Form 8-K contains "forward-looking" statements that are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Statements that are predictive in nature, that depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, or that include words such as "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "believes," "estimates," and similar expressions are forward-looking statements. For example, statements regarding the Company's 2016 and 2017 financial outlook contain forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties that may cause WellCare's actual future results to differ materially from those projected or contemplated in the forward-looking statements. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the outcome of any protests or litigation related to Medicaid awards, the approval of Medicaid contracts by the Centers of Medicare & Medicaid Services, any changes to programs or contracts, WellCare's ability to address operational challenges relating to the implementation of the contract requirements, including, but not limited to, meeting the requirements of readiness reviews, WellCare's progress on top priorities such as improving health care quality and access, ensuring a competitive cost position, and delivering prudent, profitable growth, WellCare's ability to effectively estimate and manage growth, potential reductions in Medicaid revenue, WellCare's ability to estimate and manage medical benefits expense effectively, including through its vendors, its ability to negotiate actuarially sound rates, especially in new programs with limited experience, and WellCare's ability to comply with the terms of the Corporate Integrity Agreement. Given the risks and uncertainties inherent in forward-looking statements, any of WellCare's forward-looking statements could be incorrect and investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any of our forward-looking statements.

Additional information concerning these and other important risks and uncertainties can be found in WellCare's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), included under the captions "Forward-Looking Statements" and "Risk Factors" in WellCare's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, and WellCare's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2016, and other filings by WellCare with the SEC, which contain discussions of WellCare's business and the various factors that may affect it. Subsequent events and developments may cause actual results to differ, perhaps materially, from WellCare's forward-looking statements. WellCare undertakes no duty to update these forward-looking statements to reflect any future events, developments, or otherwise.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.
(d) Exhibits
Exhibit
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99.1 Presentation dated November 15, 2016*

* Furnished and not filed.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC.

Date: November 15, 2016

/s/ Anat Hakim Anat Hakim Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary

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