



**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On March 1, 2010, U. S. Physical Therapy, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release reporting that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (“CMS”) announced that it will hold claims for the first 10 business days of March. The hold will apply to claims with dates of service of March 1, 2010 through March 12, 2010. Claims with dates of service of January 1, 2010-February 28, 2010 will continue to be paid based on the 0% update approved by Congress. CMS will hold claims in an effort to avoid payment and service disruptions anticipated as a result of the 21.2% fee schedule reductions that are effective March 1, 2010. This hold is also designed to provide Congress with additional time to pass legislation to avert the 21.2% reduction in fee schedule payments. Medicare currently accounts for approximately 22% of the Company’s patient billings. Approximately 59% of the Company’s patient billings are reimbursed from private healthcare insurance plans, 15% is billed to workers compensation and 4% to other payors.

Pursuant to the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the information contained in this report shall not be deemed to be “filed” for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and will not be incorporated by reference into any filings by the Company under such Act or the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**Exhibits Description of Exhibits**

99.1 Registrant's press release dated March 1, 2010 - Update on Medicare Reimbursement for Physical Therapy Services. \*

\*Furnished herewith.

**SIGNATURE**

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.

**U.S. PHYSICAL THERAPY, INC.**

Dated: March 1, 2010 By: /s/ LAWRENCE W. MCAFEE  
Lawrance W. McAfee  
Chief Financial Officer  
(duly authorized officer and principal financial  
and accounting officer)