KINDRED HEALTHCARE, INC Form 8-K October 17, 2006

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): October 12, 2006

KINDRED HEALTHCARE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction 001-14057 (Commission File 61-1323993 (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

of incorporation or organization)

Number) 680 South Fourth Street

Louisville, Kentucky

(Address of principal executive offices)

40202-2412

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (502) 596-7300

Not Applicable

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

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- r Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

Incorporated by reference is a press release issued by Kindred Healthcare, Inc. on October 12, 2006, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01.

(d) Exhibits

- Exhibit 10.1 Exhibit C to the Amended and Restated Master Lease Agreement No. 1 dated as of April 20, 2001 for Lease Executed by Ventas Realty, Limited Partnership, as Lessor and Vencor, Inc. and Vencor Operating, Inc. as Tenant.
 Exhibit 10.2 Exhibit C to the Amended and Restated Master Lease Agreement No. 2 dated as of April 20, 2001 for Lease Executed by
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- Exhibit 10.3 Exhibit C to the Amended and Restated Master Lease Agreement No. 3 dated as of April 20, 2001 for Lease Executed by Ventas Realty, Limited Partnership, as Lessor and Vencor, Inc. and Vencor Operating, Inc. as Tenant.
- Exhibit 10.4 Exhibit C to the Amended and Restated Master Lease Agreement No. 4 dated as of April 20, 2001 for Lease Executed by Ventas Realty, Limited Partnership, as Lessor and Vencor, Inc. and Vencor Operating, Inc. as Tenant.

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated October 12, 2006.

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 hereto duly authorized.

Date: October 17, 2006

By: /s/ Richard A. Lechleiter Richard A. Lechleiter Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer