## 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) February 9, 2004

# **CORVIS CORPORATION**

 $(Exact\ Name\ of\ Registrant\ as\ Specified\ in\ Its\ Charter)$ 

Delaware

 $(State\ or\ Other\ Jurisdiction\ of\ Incorporation)$ 

0-30989 (Commission File Number) 52-2041343 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

7015 Albert Einstein Drive, Columbia, Maryland

(Address Of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)

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(443) 259-4000

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

### Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, If Changed Since Last Report)

#### Item 5. Other Events and Required FD Disclosures

On February 9, 2004, Corvis Corporation issued a press release announcing that it had entered into a definitive agreement for the private placement of \$225 million of senior unsecured convertible notes and warrants to several institutional investors. The press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

### Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) A list of exhibits filed herewith is contained on the Exhibit Index which immediately precedes such exhibits and is incorporated herein by reference.

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#### **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: February 10, 2004

CORVIS CORPORATION

/s/ Lynn D. Anderson

By: Lynn D. Anderson

Its: Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
4.01	Form of Initial Note
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4.02	Form of Additional Note
4.03	Form of Initial Warrant
4.04	Form of Additional Warrant
10.1	Securities Purchase Agreement
10.2	Registration Rights Agreement
10.3	Form of Voting Agreement
99.1	Press release issued on February 9, 2004 announcing that Corvis Corporation had entered into a definitive agreement for the private placement of \$225 million of senior unsecured convertible notes and warrants