

TRIAD HOSPITALS INC
Form 8-K
January 25, 2005

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) January 25, 2005

TRIAD HOSPITALS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

DELAWARE
(State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

000-29816
(Commission File Number)

75-2816101
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

5800 Tennyson Parkway

Plano, Texas
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

75024
(Zip Code)

(214) 473-7000

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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 - 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))
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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 25, 2005, Triad Hospitals, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing, among other things, certain preliminary financial results for the three months ended December 31, 2004. The Company also announced earnings guidance for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2005. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference. Such information shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release issued by Triad Hospitals, Inc. on January 25, 2005.

SIGNATURE

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

TRIAD HOSPITALS, INC.

By: /s/ Donald P. Fay

Donald P. Fay
Executive Vice President, Secretary and General
Counsel

Date: January 25, 2005

EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
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