

U S PHYSICAL THERAPY INC /NV
Form 8-K
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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 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) March 5, 2015 (**March 5, 2015**)

U.S. PHYSICAL THERAPY, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Nevada</u>	<u>1-11151</u>	<u>76-0364866</u>
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

<u>1300 West Sam Houston Parkway South, Suite 300, Houston, Texas</u>	<u>77042</u>
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(713) 297-7000**

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 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL RESULTS

On March 5, 2015, U.S. Physical Therapy, Inc. (the “Company”) reported its results for the fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2014. In addition, the Company announced that its board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of \$.15 per share to holders of record of common stock as of the close of business on March 20, 2015 payable on April 3, 2015. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

While the Company intends to declare dividends in subsequent quarters, any future dividends will be at the discretion of the Company’s board of directors after taking into account various factors, including general economic and business conditions, tax considerations, the Company’s strategic plan, the results of operation and financial condition of the Company, the acquisition and expansion plans of the Company, any contractual, legal or regulatory restrictions on the payment of dividends, and such other factors as the board considers relevant.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibits, shall not be deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

Although the Company’s new patient referrals thus far in 2015 have been good, the severe winter weather in many parts of the country in January and February negatively affected the number of patient visits by more than 16,000 with an estimated negative earnings impact of \$.05 to \$.07 per share. After allowing for that, management currently expects the Company’s earnings from continuing operations attributable to common shareholders for the year 2015 to be in the range of \$22.3 million to \$22.9 million in net income and \$1.80 to \$1.86 in diluted earnings per share. Please note that management’s guidance range represents projected earnings from existing operations only and excludes future acquisitions. The annual guidance figures will not be updated unless there is a material development that causes management to believe that earnings will be significantly outside the given range.

ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

See Item 2.02 above. On March 3, 2015, the Company announced a dividend of \$.15 per share to holders of record of its common stock as of the close of business on March 20, 2015 payable on April 3, 2015.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Exhibits Description of Exhibits

99.1 Registrant's press release dated March 5, 2015 announcing results for the fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2014.*

* 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 5, 2015 By: /s/ LAWRENCE W. MCAFEE
Lawrance W. McAfee
Chief Financial Officer
(duly authorized officer and principal financial
and accounting officer)

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EXHIBIT DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBIT

99.1 Press Release dated March 5, 2015.*

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