

HCA INC/TN  
Form 8-K  
January 12, 2005

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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): January 12, 2005 (January 12, 2005)

**HCA INC.**

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-11239

75-2497104

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(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

One Park Plaza, Nashville, Tennessee

37203

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (615) 344-9551

Not Applicable

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

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)
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  - 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 12, 2005, HCA Inc. (the Company ) issued a press release announcing, among other matters, its preliminary results of operations for the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2004, the text of which is set forth as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure**

On January 12, 2005, the Company issued a press release announcing, among other matters, its preliminary results of operations for the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2004, the text of which is set forth as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

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<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Exhibit Title</b>
99.1	Press Release dated January 12, 2005

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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.

HCA INC.

By: /s/ R. Milton Johnson  
R. Milton Johnson  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial  
Officer

Date: January 12, 2005

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99.1	Press Release dated January 12, 2005