ADCARE HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC

Form 8-K

December 23, 2015

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): December 23, 2015

AdCare Health Systems, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter) Georgia 001-33135

(State or Other Jurisdiction of

(Commission File Number)

31-1332119

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

1145 Hembree Road Roswell, Georgia 30076

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(678) 869-5116

Incorporation)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable.

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

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

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On December 23, 2015, AdCare Health Systems, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that on December 16, 2015, the Company and other defendants in the purported class action lawsuit captioned Amy Cleveland et. al. v APH&R Nursing, LLC et. al., filed in Arkansas on March 24, 2015, reached an agreement with plaintiffs' counsel to settle the plaintiffs' claims. A copy of the press release is attached to this Current Report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release issued December 23, 2015.

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SIGNATURES

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

Date: December 23, 2015 ADCARE HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

/s/ Allan J. Rimland Allan J. Rimland President and Chief Financial Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Exhibit Description

Press release issued December 23, 2015.

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