MEDICINES CO /DE Form 8-K December 28, 2004

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 21, 2004

The Medicines Company

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware000-3119104-3324394(State or Other Jurisdiction(Commission(IRS Employer

of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

8 Campus Drive

07054

Parsippany, New Jersey (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (973) 656-1616

(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 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On December 21, 2004, The Medicines Company (the Company) entered into a consulting agreement with Strategic Imagery LLC. Robert Savage, a member of the Company is Board of Directors, is the President and the owner of Strategic Imagery LLC. Under the terms of the consulting agreement, Mr. Savage will provide consulting services to the Company from time to time on organizational development and senior management coaching at an hourly rate of \$625 per hour. The initial term of the consulting agreement is one year, subject to renewal for successive periods upon further agreement of the parties. Either party may terminate the consulting agreement at any time upon 30 days written notice.

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.

THE MEDICINES COMPANY

Date: December 28, 2004 By: /s/ Steven H. Koehler

Steven H. Koehler

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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