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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

(Rule 13d-101)

Information to be Included in Statements Filed Pursuant

to Rules 13d-1(a) and Amendments thereto Filed

Pursuant to Rule 13d-2(a)

(Amendment No.)*

SUNLINK HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

(Name of issuer)

Common Stock, without par value

(Title of class of securities)

86737U102

(CUSIP number)

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January 20, 2005

(Dates of Events which Require Filing of this Statement)

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* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person s initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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STATEMENT ON SCHEDULE 13D

This Statement on Schedule 13D (the Statement) is filed on behalf of the Filing Parties (defined below).

Item 1. Security and Issuer.

The class of equity securities to which this Statement relates is the common stock, without par value (the Common Stock), of Sunlink Health Systems, Inc., an Ohio corporation (the Company). The principal executive offices of the Company are located at 900 Circle 75 Parkway, Suite 1120, Atlanta, Georgia 30339.

Item 2. Identity and Background.

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I. <u>Filing Parties</u>:

This Statement is filed on behalf of the following persons, who are collectively referred to as the Filing Parties:

- 1. North Atlantic Value LLP (North Atlantic Value) is a limited liability partnership organized under the laws of England with its principal office and business at Ryder Court, 14 Ryder Street, London SW1Y 6QB England. North Atlantic Value is a firm authorized by the United Kingdom s Financial Services Authority and is principally engaged in the business of investment management of active value and private equity investments, as well as to its private clients.
- 2. Christopher Harwood Bernard Mills is a British citizen whose business address is Ryder Court, 14 Ryder Street, London SW1Y 6QB England. His principal employment includes service as executive director of North Atlantic Smaller Companies Investment Trust (NASCIT), as chief executive of American Opportunity Trust plc (American Opportunity Trust), as a director of J O Hambro Capital Management Group Limited, J O Hambro Capital Management Limited, The Trident North Atlantic Fund, Oryx International Growth Fund Limited, Acquisitor plc and Acquisitor Holdings (Bermuda) Ltd., and as co-investment adviser to NASCIT.
- American Opportunity Trust is a corporation organized under the laws of England with its principal office and business at Ryder Court, 14 Ryder Street, London SW1Y 6QB England. American Opportunity Trust is a publicly-held investment trust company. North Atlantic Value serves as investment manager to American Opportunity Trust.
- 4. Gildea Management Company is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware with its principal office and business address at PO Box 938, 65 Vitti Street, New Canaan, Connecticut. Gildea Management Company is principally engaged in the business of investment management.

- John W. Gildea is a U.S. citizen whose principal business address is PO Box 938, 65 Vitti Street, New Canaan, Connecticut. His
 principal employment includes service as the managing director of Gildea Management Company and as a director of American
 Opportunity Trust.
- 6. Axia Value Partners LLC (Axia Value Partners) is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Delaware with its principal office and business address at PO Box 938, 65 Vitti Street, New Canaan, Connecticut. Axia Value Partners is a private equity fund. Gildea Management Company serves as the investment manager of Axia Value Partners.

II. <u>Executive Officers and Directors</u>:

In accordance with the provisions of General Instruction C to Schedule 13D, information concerning the executive officers and directors of the Filing Parties is included in Schedule A hereto and is incorporated by reference herein.

(d) Criminal Proceedings

During the last five years, neither the Filing Parties (or a controlling entity thereof) nor any executive officer or director of any of the Filing Parties (or a controlling entity thereof) has been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors).

(e) Civil Securities Law Proceedings

During the last five years, neither the Filing Parties (or a controlling entity thereof) nor any executive officer or director of any of the Filing Parties (or a controlling entity thereof) has been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

The aggregate purchase price of the 282,500 shares of Common Stock beneficially held by American Opportunity Trust is \$1,536,771 (exclusive of brokerage fees and commissions). All of the shares of Common Stock beneficially held by American Opportunity Trust were paid for using its working capital funds.

The aggregate purchase price of the 105,000 shares of Common Stock beneficially held by Axia Value Partners is \$576,250 (exclusive of brokerage fees and commissions). All of the shares of Common Stock beneficially held by Axia Value Partners were paid for using its working capital funds.

The aggregate purchase price of the 2,800 shares of Common Stock beneficially held solely by John W. Gildea is \$14,280 (exclusive of brokerage fees and commissions). All of the shares of Common Stock beneficially held solely by Mr. Gildea were paid for using his personal funds.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

The Filing Parties believe that the shares of Common Stock of the Company are undervalued and represent an attractive investment opportunity and they are considering pursuing any and all of the actions enumerated below.

The Filing Parties may take such actions with respect to their investment in the Company as they deem appropriate, including without limitation: (i) having open communications with the Company s management in order to monitor their efforts to increase shareholder value, (ii) purchasing additional shares of Common Stock in the open market or otherwise, (iii) seeking a change of control of the Company through various means, including without limitation, an extraordinary corporate transaction, such as a merger, reorganization, recapitalization or tender offer, (iv) seeking to amend the Company s charter and by-laws, (v) seeking to elect a slate of directors to the Company s board of directors and (vi) presenting proposals for stockholders consideration at an annual or special meeting of the Company s stockholders.

Should the Company fail to define a clear strategy to maximize shareholder value, the Filing Parties may consider a means by which some or all of the directors may be removed from the board of directors.

In addition, the Filing Parties believe it is in the interest of all shareholders if either the current board or a new board immediately appoint an independent firm of investment bankers to find ways to maximize shareholder value.

The Filing Parties may also participate in discussions with potential purchasers of their shares of Common Stock, sell some or all of their shares of Common Stock in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions, or change their intention with respect to any and all of the matters referred to above.

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Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

(a)-(b) The aggregate number and percentage of the outstanding Common Stock of the Company beneficially owned (i) by each of the Filing Parties, and (ii) to the knowledge of the Filing Parties, by each other person who may be deemed to be a member of the group, is as follows:

Filing Party	Aggregate Number of Shares	Number of Shares: Sole Power to Vote	Number of Shares: Shared Power to Vote	Number of Shares: Sole Power to Dispose	Number of Shares: Shared Power to Dispose	Approximate Percentage*
North Atlantic Value	282,500	0	282,500	0	282,500	4.0%
Christopher H. B. Mills	282,500	0	282,500	0	282,500	4.0%
American Opportunity Trust	282,500	0	282,500	0	282,500	4.0%
John W. Gildea	107,800	2,800	105,000	2,800	105,000	1.5%
Gildea Management Company	105,000	0	105,000	0	105,000	1.5%
Axia Value Partners	105,000	0	105,000	0	105,000	1.5%

* Based on 7,078,665 shares of Common Stock, without par value, outstanding as of November 11, 2004, which is based on information reported in the Company s 10-Q, for the period ended September 30, 2004.

(c) During the past 60 days, the Filing Parties effected no transactions in the Common Stock other than those set forth in the following table:

Sunlink Health Systems, Inc.

Summik Health Systems, mc.		Trades During	Past 60 D	ays
Filing Party	Date	No. of Shares	Price (US\$)	Broker
American Opportunity Trust	11/30/04	5,500	\$ 5.25	Oscar Gruss
American Opportunity Trust	12/02/04	3,000	\$ 5.25	Oscar Gruss
American Opportunity Trust	12/08/04	4,800	\$ 5.25	Oscar Gruss
American Opportunity Trust	12/09/04	1,600	\$ 5.25	Oscar Gruss
American Opportunity Trust	01/20/05	215,000	\$ 5.50	Oscar Gruss
Gildea Management Company	12/03/04	5,000	\$ 5.25	Oscar Gruss
Gildea Management Company	01/20/05	100,000	\$ 5.50	Oscar Gruss

All of the above transactions were effected on the open market and were purchases.

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(d) No person other than the Filing Parties is known to have the right to receive, or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, such shares of Common Stock.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.