DAVITA INC Form 8-K July 03, 2012

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): July 2, 2012

DAVITA INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

1-14106 (Commission No. 51-0354549 (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

of incorporation) File Number)

1551 Wewatta Street

Denver, CO 80202

(Address of principal executive offices including Zip Code)

(303) 405-2100

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " 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 8.01. Other Events

The Company has reached an agreement in principle to settle all allegations relating to claims arising out of the previously disclosed litigation filed in 2002 in the U.S. District Court in the Eastern District of Texas (Settlement). In connection with the Settlement, the Company will pay \$55 million plus attorneys fees. The Company second quarter results will include a charge of approximately \$78M for this Settlement and related expenses. DaVita expects that the Settlement will resolve federal program claims regarding Epogen that were or could have been raised in the complaint relating to historical Epogen practices dating back to 1997. The Settlement is subject to certain conditions, such as court approval. Until the conditions and documentation are completed, there can be no assurance that this matter will in fact be resolved pursuant to the terms of the Settlement.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press Release of DaVita Inc. dated July 3, 2012

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.

DAVITA INC.

Date: July 3, 2012

/s/ Kim M. Rivera
Kim M. Rivera
Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

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