AMEDISYS INC Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RICCHIUTI PETER

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

AMEDISYS INC [AMED]

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

5959 S. SHERWOOD FOREST BLVD.

02/19/2009

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title below)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

BATON ROUGE, LA 70816

(City)	(State)	Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi n(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/19/2009		M(4)	500	A	\$ 7.46	15,797 <u>(3)</u>	D	
Common Stock	02/19/2009		S(4)	500	D	\$ 48.48	15,297 <u>(3)</u>	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number omf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (2)	\$ 7.46 (2)	02/19/2009		M <u>(4)</u>	500 (2)	01/01/2003(1)	06/30/2012	Common Stock	500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
CHIUTI PETER						

RICCHIUTI PETER 5959 S. SHERWOOD FOREST BLVD. X BATON ROUGE, LA 70816

Signatures

/s/ Celeste Rasmussen Peiffer on behalf of Peter Ricchiuti pursuant to a power of attorney

02/23/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) 50% exercisable on the date indicated, 50% of the balance exercisable on July 1, 2003 and the balance exercisable on January 1, 2004.
 - This option was previously reported as covering a total of 10,000 shares at an exercise price of \$9.95 per share, but was adjusted to
- (2) 13,334 shares at an exercise price of \$7.46 per share as a result of the 4-for-3 stock split of the issuer's stock that occured on December 4, 2006.
- (3) On December 4, 2006, the common stock of Amedisys, Inc. split 4-for-3. Ownership totals are reflected on a split-adjusted basis.
- (4) The option exercises and stock sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the reporting person.

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