AMEDISYS INC Form 4 October 24, 2008

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** RICCHIUTI PETER			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMEDISYS INC [AMED]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
5959 S. SHERWOOD FOREST BLVD.			(Month/Day/Year) 10/23/2008	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specified)			
	(Street)		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			
BATON ROUGE, LA 70816				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

()	Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of		
(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	TransactionAcquired (A) or			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect		
	any	Code	Disposed of (D)))	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial		
	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership		
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
				(A)		Reported				
						Transaction(s)				
		C-1- V	A 4		D	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
		Code v		(D)	Price					
10/23/2008		A	1,997 (1)	A	\$0	17,294	D			
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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)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration Date		Amour	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underl	ying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ies	(Instr. 5)	Bene
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	Security				Acquired						Follo
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					(Instr. 3,						
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						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	xercisable Date		Number		
				~					of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

10/24/2008

**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) The shares granted are subject to time-based vesting conditions and will vest 100% on July 1, 2009.

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