

LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS  
Form 8-K  
September 06, 2001

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  
SEPTEMBER 6, 2001

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(Date of earliest event reported)

LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE	1-11353	13-3757370
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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification Number)

358 SOUTH MAIN STREET, BURLINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA 27215

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(Address of principal executive offices)

336-229-1127

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

Laboratory Corporation of America -Registered Trademark-  
Holdings (LabCorp -Registered Trademark-) (NYSE:LH) announced  
today the terms of its private placement of zero coupon  
convertible subordinated notes due 2021 with an aggregate  
principal amount at maturity of \$650 million. The initial  
purchaser of the notes has also been granted an option to  
purchase up to an additional \$94 million aggregate principal  
amount at maturity of the notes to cover over-allotments, if  
any. The Company expects to receive approximately \$436.6  
million in gross proceeds in connection with the offering  
(approximately \$500 million if the over-allotment option is  
exercised in full). The notes carry a yield to maturity of 2.0  
percent per year, and are convertible into LabCorp-Registered  
Trademark- common stock, if certain conditions to conversion are  
satisfied, at a conversion rate of 6.7054 shares per \$1,000  
principal amount at maturity of notes, subject to adjustment in  
certain circumstances.

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ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL  
INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibit

20 Press release of the Company dated September 6, 2001.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS

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(Registrant)

By: /s/ BRADFORD T. SMITH

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Bradford T. Smith  
Executive Vice President,  
General Counsel, Secretary  
and Compliance Officer

Date: September 6, 2001