UNIVERSAL HEALTH SERVICES INC Form 8-K March 01, 2004

FORM 8-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 1, 2004

UNIVERSAL HEALTH SERVICES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of

Incorporation or Organization)

1-10765 (Commission File Number) 23-2077891 (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

UNIVERSAL CORPORATE CENTER

367 SOUTH GULPH ROAD

KING OF PRUSSIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19406

(Address of principal executive office) (Zip Code)

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Registrant s telephone number, including area code (610) 768-3300

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 5. Other Events and Required FD Disclosure.

On March 1, 2004, Universal Health Services, Inc. issued a press release announcing an expected earnings decline during the three month period ended March 31, 2004, to what could be as much as 25% lower than the \$.84 per diluted share recorded during the quarterly period ended March 31, 2003.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits. 99.1 Universal Health Services, Inc. Press Release dated March 1, 2004

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.

Universal Health Services, Inc.

By:/s/ Alan B. MillerName:Alan B. MillerTitle:President and Chief Executive OfficerBy:/s/ Steve Filton

Name: Steve Filton Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: March 1, 2004

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Exhibit No. Exhibit

99.1 Press release, dated March 1, 2004