TENET HEALTHCARE CORP Form 8-K October 23, 2015

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: October 22, 2015

(Date of earliest event reported)

TENET HEALTHCARE CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada (State of Incorporation)

1-7293 (Commission 95-2557091 (IRS Employer

File Number) 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1400 **Identification Number**)

Dallas, Texas 75202

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(469) 893-2200

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

The information contained herein is being furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 of Form 8-K, Results of Operations and Financial Condition. This information shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

On October 22, 2015, Tenet Healthcare Corporation (the Company) issued a press release reporting certain information regarding the Company s previously announced financial outlook for the quarter ended September 30, 2015. A copy of the press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements contained in the press release filed as an exhibit to this report constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. Such forward-looking statements are based on management s current expectations and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause the Company s actual results to be materially different from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such factors include, among others, the following: the future impact of healthcare reform legislation, the enactment of additional federal and state healthcare reform, and the related effect on reimbursement and utilization and the future designs of provider networks and insurance plans, including pricing, provider participation, coverage, co-pays and deductibles; other changes in federal, state and local laws and regulations affecting the healthcare industry; general economic and business conditions, both nationally and regionally; adverse litigation or regulatory developments; the ability to enter into managed care provider arrangements on acceptable terms; cuts to Medicare and Medicaid payment rates or changes in reimbursement practices; competition; our success in implementing our business development plans; our ability to hire and retain qualified personnel; the availability and terms of capital to fund the expansion of our business, including the acquisition of additional facilities; our success in marketing the revenue cycle management, healthcare information management, management services, and patient communications and engagement services businesses under our Conifer Health Solutions subsidiary; our ability to fully realize the anticipated benefits and synergies of our acquisitions and to successfully complete the integration of businesses we acquire, including our United Surgical Partners International joint venture; our ability to identify and execute on measures designed to save or control costs or streamline operations; the impact of our significant indebtedness; our success in operating our health plans and accountable care networks; and our success in completing recently announced acquisition and disposition transactions. These and other risks and uncertainties are discussed in the Company s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the Company s annual report on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q. All information in this report and the press release is as of October 22, 2015. The Company specifically disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of changes in underlying factors, new information, future events or otherwise.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
 - 99.1 Press Release issued on October 22, 2015

SIGNATURE

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

TENET HEALTHCARE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Daniel J. Cancelmi Daniel J. Cancelmi Chief Financial Officer

Date: October 22, 2015

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