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Form 11-K

June 30, 2003

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

FORM 11-K

(Mark One)

Annual Report Pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 [fee required]

For the fiscal year end December 31, 2002

OR

Transition Report Pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 [no fee required]

For the transition period from _____ to _____ Commission file number _____

A. Full title of the plan and address of the plan, if different from that of the issuer named below:

Genesis Health Ventures, Inc. 401(k) Plan for
Collective Bargaining Unit Employees

B. Name of issuer of the securities held pursuant to the plan and the address of its principal executive office:

Genesis Health Ventures, Inc.
101 East State Street
Kennett Square, PA 19348
(610) 444-6350

Genesis Health Ventures, Inc. 401(k) Plan for Collective Bargaining Unit Employees Financial Statements, Supplemental Schedule and Exhibits as of December 31, 2002 and 2001 and for the year ended December 31, 2002.

The following plan financial statements, schedules and reports, have been prepared in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of ERISA.

Items 1 - 3: Not applicable under ERISA filing.

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Item 4: Financial Statements and Exhibits.

GENESIS HEALTH VENTURES, INC.
401(k) Plan for collective bargaining unit employees
Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedule
December 31, 2002
(With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)

GENESIS HEALTH VENTURES, INC.
401(k) Plan for collective bargaining unit employees

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Independent Auditors' Report

The Pension Committee and the Participants
Genesis Health Ventures, Inc. 401(k) Plan for
Collective Bargaining Unit Employees:

We were engaged to audit the accompanying statement of net assets available for benefits of the Genesis Health Ventures, Inc. 401(k) Plan for Collective Bargaining Unit Employees as of December 31, 2002, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the period from July 1, 2002 (inception of plan) through December 31, 2002. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements, referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2002, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for the period from July 1, 2002 (inception of plan) through December 31, 2002, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure Under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. This supplemental schedule is the responsibility of the Plan's management. The supplemental schedule has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly

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stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

June 12, 2003

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GENESIS HEALTH VENTURES, INC.
401(k) PLAN FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES

Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits

December 31, 2002

Investments, at fair value	\$ 552,043
Participant loans	19,021
Employer contributions receivable	20,398
Participant contributions receivable	12,071

Total assets	603,533

Net assets available for benefits	\$ 603,533
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See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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GENESIS HEALTH VENTURES, INC.

401(k) PLAN FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

Period from July 1, 2002 (inception of plan) through December 31, 2002

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Additions to net assets attributed to:

Investment income:	
Interest and dividends	\$ 5,1
Contributions:	
Employer	20,3
Participants	96,1
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	4,2
Transfers from affiliated plans	500,1

Total additions	626,0

Deductions from net assets attributed to:

Benefit payments	21,9
Administrative expenses	6

Total deductions	22,5

Net increase	603,5

Net assets available for benefits:

Beginning of period	-

End of period	\$ 603,5
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See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Genesis Health Ventures, Inc.
401(k) Plan for Collective Bargaining Unit Employees

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(1) Description of the Plan

The following description of the Genesis Health Ventures, Inc. 401(k) Plan for Collective Bargaining Unit Employees (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for more complete information.

(a) General

The Plan is a defined contribution savings plan that permits voluntary employee contributions that are matched, in part, by Genesis Health Ventures, Inc. (the Company). The Plan commenced on

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July 1, 2002 at which time assets of affiliated plans in the amount of \$500,148 were transferred to the Plan. Employees of the Company covered by collective bargaining agreements that call for participation in the Plan are eligible for participation when they have completed 6 consecutive months during which they have been credited with at least 500 hours of service in their first six months or if initial eligibility is not met, employees who complete 12 consecutive months of service during which they have been credited with at least 1,000 hours of service in their first year or any calendar year thereafter. The Plan is subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

(b) Contributions

Each eligible employee may elect to participate in the Plan and make contributions to the Plan through salary deductions in an amount not less than 1% and not in excess of 50% of such participant's compensation, as defined in the Plan, in any calendar year. The Company matches 50% of the participant's pre-tax contributions up to 1.5% of such participant's compensation.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, the total pre-tax contribution made to the Plan by any participant may not exceed \$11,000 for 2002. In addition, effective in 2002, each eligible participant who has attained age 50 before the close of the Plan year is eligible to make catch-up contributions in accordance with, and subject to the limitations of, Section 414(v) of the Internal Revenue Code. For 2002, the catch-up contribution limitation is \$1,000.

(c) Participant Accounts

Although Plan assets are collectively invested, records are maintained for each participant's individual account. Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution and allocation of the Company's contribution and Plan earnings (losses). Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's account.

(d) Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their pre-tax contributions plus actual earnings and losses thereon. Vesting in the Company's matching contributions and earnings and losses thereon is based upon years of continuous service as follows:

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Percentage

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Years of service -----	vested -----
Less than 2	0%
2 but less than 3	20%
3 but less than 4	40%
4 but less than 5	60%
5 but less than 6	80%
6 or more	100%

Years of service for participants is based on date of hire with the Company.

(e) Payment of Benefits

Normal and deferred retirement benefits, disability benefits, and vested benefits are distributed as lump-sum or in approximately equal installments over a period of years not to exceed the life expectancy of the participant and their designated beneficiary.

Death benefits are paid as a single-sum or in installments over a period not to exceed five years, pursuant to the participant's written election on forms provided by the Company.

Nonvested benefits that are subsequently forfeited may be used by the Company to reduce future matching contributions.

(f) Participant Loans

Employees may borrow a minimum of \$1,000 and a maximum of 50% of their vested balance in the Plan, up to a maximum of \$50,000. Such loans, upon approval by the Company, are generally repaid through payroll deductions over a period not to exceed five years and bear interest at a market rate at the date of the loan. Interest rates range from 4.25% to 9.50% as of December 31, 2002.

(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of Financial Statement Preparation

The Plan's financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

(b) Investments

Plan investments are stated at fair value based on their quoted net asset value. Participant loans are valued at cost which approximates fair value. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis.

(c) Plan Expenses

Company personnel perform various administrative services for the Plan, including maintenance of participant records. All Plan expenses are paid by the Company, on a noncompensatory basis, with the exception of trustee fees, which are paid for by the Plan.

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(d) Benefits to Participants

Benefit payments to participants are recorded upon distribution.

(e) Forfeitures

Forfeitures of nonvested Company contributions are used to offset such future contributions.

(3) Forfeitures

As of December 31, 2002, there are no forfeiture amounts available for the reduction of future employer contributions and no nonvested forfeiture accounts used to reduce employer contributions for 2002.

(4) Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, all participants become fully vested in the Company's matching contributions.

(5) Investments

A participant may direct contributions in any of the following investment options in increments of 1%:

Federated Capital Preservation Fund invests primarily in guaranteed investment contracts.

Janus Fund invests primarily in large-cap equity funds.

Janus Adviser Worldwide Fund invests primarily in common stocks of foreign and domestic companies.

Wachovia Diversified Bond Group Trust Fund invests in full maturity bonds.

Wachovia Enhanced Stock Market Fund invests in large-cap equity index funds.

Vanguard Wellington Fund invests in a balance of equities and fixed income securities.

MFS Capital Opportunities Fund invests in large and mid-cap equity funds.

MFS New Discovery Fund invests in small-cap equity funds.

Dreyfus Mid Cap Index Fund invests in mid-cap equity funds.

AIM Basic Value Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation and invests in large value funds.

Genesis Health Ventures Stock Fund invests primarily in Company common stock.

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401(k) Plan for Collective Bargaining Unit Employees

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December 31, 2002

Plan investments as of December 31, 2002 were as follows:

	December 31, 2002	

Federated Capital Preservation Fund	\$ 106,710	*
Janus Fund	39,717	*
Janus Worldwide Fund	17,158	
Wachovia Diversified Bond Group Trust	54,150	*
Wachovia Enhanced Stock Market Fund	22,981	
Vanguard Wellington Fund	283,943	*
MFS Capital Opportunities Fund	26,705	
MFS New Discovery Fund	168	
AIM Basic Value Fund	45	
Genesis Health Ventures, Inc. Stock Fund	466	

	\$ 552,043	
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*Represents 5% or more of the net assets of the Plan.

During the period from July 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002, the Plan's investments in Funds and the Genesis Health Ventures, Inc. Stock Fund (including gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year) appreciated in value by \$4,244 and \$2, respectively.

(6) Income Taxes

A determination letter has not been received for the Plan. The Company believes that the Plan is designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code. Therefore, they believe that the Plan is qualified and the related trust is tax exempt as of the financial statement date.

(7) Party-in-Interest Transactions

Plan investments in the Wachovia Diversified Bond Group Trust Fund and the Wachovia Enhanced Stock Market Fund are shares of funds managed by Wachovia, the trustee. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

The Plan incurred \$610 of administrative fees for Wachovia's trustee and record-keeping services. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Plan investments in the Genesis Health Ventures, Inc. Stock Fund primarily include shares of the plan sponsor's publicly traded common stock. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

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(8) Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2002, from the financial statements to the Form 5500:

Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 603,533
Employer and participant receivables	(32,469)

Net assets available for benefits per the Form 5500	\$ 571,064
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Schedule 1

GENESIS HEALTH VENTURES, INC.
401(k) PLAN FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES

Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

December 31, 2002

Identity of issue	Description of investments	Shares or face amount
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Federated Capital Preservation Fund	Fund	99,84
Janus Fund	Fund	75,83
Janus Worldwide Fund	Fund	23,47
Wachovia Diversified Bond Group Trust *	Fund	47,54
Wachovia Enhanced Stock Market Fund *	Fund	33,83
Vanguard Wellington Fund	Fund	311,10
MFS Capital Opportunities Fund	Fund	36,96
MFS New Discovery Fund	Fund	20
AIM Basic Value Fund	Fund	9
Genesis Health Ventures, Inc. Stock Fund*	Stock Fund	48
Participant Loans (interest rates range		

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from 4.25% to 9.5%)*

*Party-in-interest transactions.

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

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SIGNATURES

The Plan: Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the trustees (or other person who administer the employee benefit plan) have duly caused this annual report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereto duly authorized.

GENESIS HEALTH VENTURES, INC. 401(k) PLAN FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT
EMPLOYEES

(Name of Plan)

By: /s/ James W. Tabak

James W. Tabak, Sr. Vice President,
Human Resources

Date: June 30, 2003

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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23	Consent of Independent Auditors
99	Certificate of James W. Tabak, Senior Vice President, Human Resources of the Company dated June 30, 2003 pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350.