AMERICAN HEALTHWAYS INC Form 8-K December 16, 2005

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 16, 2005 (December 15, 2005)

American Healthways, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware	000-19364	62-1117144
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
3841 Green Hills Village Drive Nashville, Tennessee		37215
(Address of Principal Executive Office	s)	(Zip Code)
	(615) 665-1122	
(Registrar	nt s telephone number, including a	urea code)
	Not Applicable	
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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On December 15, 2005, Robert L. Chaput entered into an employment agreement with the Company and began serving as the Company s Executive Vice President and Chief Information Officer. The employment agreement contains a two year continuous term and provides that Mr. Chaput will receive an initial base salary of \$330,000. In addition, Mr. Chaput is entitled to receive a bonus and other equity incentives commensurate with the other executive vice presidents of the Company. The employment agreement also provides that Mr. Chaput is entitled to receive severance benefits upon certain termination events. The full text of Mr. Chaput s employment agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit 10.1 Employment Agreement for Robert L. Chaput.

SIGNATURE

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.

American Healthways, Inc.

/s/ Mary A. Chaput

Mary A. Chaput Chief Financial Officer

Date: December 16, 2005

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