# 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 and Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): February 8, 2006

PEDIATRIX MEDICAL GROUP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Florida	001-12111	65-0271219				
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)				
1301 Concord Terrace Sunrise, Florida 33323						
(Address of	principal executive	office)				
Registrant's telephone number, including area code (954) 384-0175						

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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:

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- [ ] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- [ ] 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.

On February 8, 2006, Pediatrix Medical Group, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its results of operations for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2005 (the "Release"). A copy of the Release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is hereby incorporated in this Current Report by reference. The information contained in this Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed "filed" with the Securities and Exchange Commission nor incorporated by reference in any registration statement or other document filed by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

The Company also announced in the Release that it has increased its previously announced earnings per share guidance for 2006 and introduced its quarterly earnings per share guidance. The information contained in this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed "filed" with the Securities and Exchange Commission nor incorporated by reference in any registration statement or other document filed by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

### Item 8.01. Other Events.

In the Release, the Company announced that it had reached an agreement in principle as to a settlement amount of \$25.1 million relating to the previously disclosed federal and state Medicaid and TRICARE investigation. The amount of the settlement is subject to necessary governmental approvals. The settlement is also subject to the negotiation and approval of a definitive settlement agreement by state and federal authorities. The last five sentences of the first paragraph, the first sentence of the fourth paragraph and the thirteenth and fourteenth paragraphs of the Release describing the financial settlement and the last textual paragraph of the Release containing cautionary statements regarding forward looking information is hereby incorporated by reference in this Current Report.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired.

Not applicable

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information.

Not applicable

(c) Exhibits

99.1 -- Press Release dated February 8, 2006

## **SIGNATURES**

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.

PEDIATRIX MEDICAL GROUP, INC.

Date: February 8, 2006 By: /s/ Karl B. Wagner

Name: Karl B. Wagner

Title: Chief Financial Officer

# EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated February 8, 2006.

Pediatrix Reports Non-GAAP EPS of \$1.30 for 2005 Fourth Quarter, Reaches Financial Settlement in Principle on Medicaid, TRICARE Investigation

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 8, 2006--Pediatrix Medical Group, Inc. (NYSE: PDX), today reported results from operations for the three and 12 months ended December 31, 2005. In addition, Pediatrix announced that it has reached an agreement in principle on the amount of a financial settlement with the U.S. Department of Justice for a previously announced national Medicaid and TRICARE investigation. Pediatrix has agreed to pay \$25.1 million to settle the investigation, subject to obtaining necessary governmental approvals. This amount relates to services provided from January 1996 through December 1999. Completion of this settlement will conclude all pending governmental investigations of the Company's billing for neonatal services. Claims for the period 2000 to 2002 were reviewed as part of the investigation and Pediatrix is not making any payments for these periods.

Pediatrix reported earnings per share of 65 cents for the three months ended December 31, 2005, when including the impact of equity-based compensation of \$5.5 million before taxes and a \$14.9 million pre-tax charge to increase existing reserves related to the government investigation. A portion of that charge is not tax-deductible. When excluding those items, Pediatrix earned \$1.30 per share for the 2005 fourth quarter, an increase of 18 percent from \$1.10 per share for the comparable 2004 period.

Pediatrix is the nation's leading provider of newborn, maternal fetal and pediatric subspecialty physician services. Its results for the 2005 fourth quarter include:

- -- Strong management of general and administrative expenses, which continue to decline as a percent of revenue when viewed on a comparable basis that excludes equity-based compensation expense and the change in reserves related to the Medicaid and TRICARE investigation; and
- -- Continued robust cash flow from operations, which exceeded \$47 million for the period. Pediatrix used its cash to complete a \$50 million share repurchase program that had been authorized in November 2005.

"Our agreement in principle with the government on financial terms is an important step forward in resolving these coding and billing issues," said Roger J. Medel, M.D., Chief Executive Officer of Pediatrix. "Throughout this period, we have remained focused on executing our core strategy. Our 2005 financial results reflect the strength of our business model and our ability to attract and retain physicians to our national group practice. We are encouraged by our prospects for sustained growth within our existing clinical expertise as we simultaneously look to extend our national group practice model to other physician specialties with characteristics that are similar to our newborn physician services."

For the three months ended December 31, 2005, Pediatrix reported net patient service revenue of \$177.7 million, up 10 percent from \$161.0 million for the comparable 2004 period. Revenue growth included contributions from acquisitions, as well as same-unit revenue growth of 3.5 percent. Same-unit revenue included patient volume growth of 1.7 percent at neonatal intensive care units (NICUs) staffed by Pediatrix physicians, contributions from other services including maternal-fetal medicine and pediatric cardiology physician subspecialties and a slight increase in revenue from reimbursement-related factors.

On a GAAP basis, income from operations for the 2005 fourth quarter was \$29.7 million and net income was \$15.9 million, resulting in earnings per share of 65 cents based on a weighted average 24.4 million shares outstanding.

When adjusted to exclude equity-based compensation and the charge to increase its Medicaid-investigation reserves, Pediatrix reported operating income of \$50.0 million for the 2005 fourth quarter, up 25 percent from \$40.2 million for the comparable 2004 period. When excluding these adjustments, general and administrative expenses of \$20.8 million were 11.7 percent of revenue, a reduction of 73 basis points from the comparable period of 2004. Non-GAAP net income of \$31.6 million for the 2005 fourth quarter increased by 23 percent from \$25.8 million for the 2004 fourth quarter.

For the three months ended December 31, 2005, non-GAAP earnings per share were \$1.30 based on a weighted average 24.4 million shares outstanding, up 18 percent from \$1.10 per share, based on a weighted

average 23.5 million shares outstanding for the 2004 period.

During the 2005 fourth quarter, cash flow from operations was \$47.8 million.

Pediatrix had cash and cash equivalents of \$11.2 million at December 31, 2005, and accounts receivable of \$111.7 million. Days sales outstanding remained at less than 60.

For the 12 months ended December 31, 2005, Pediatrix had record net patient service revenue of \$693.7 million, operating income of \$147.7 million and net income of \$89.0 million, all on a GAAP basis. GAAP earnings per share of \$3.72 are based on a weighted average 23.9 million shares outstanding. For all of 2005, Pediatrix had same-unit revenue growth of 5.6 percent, including same-unit NICU patient volume growth of 4.0 percent.

Pediatrix generated cash flow from operations of \$162.4 million for 2005, up 31 percent from \$123.8 million in 2004. During 2005, Pediatrix invested \$91.9 million in physician group practice acquisitions, including \$6.2 million during the 2005 fourth quarter, paid off amounts outstanding under its credit facility, and completed a \$50 million share repurchase program that had been authorized in November 2005.

The Company's agreement in principle with governmental authorities arises from an investigation, coordinated by the U.S. Department of Justice, of Pediatrix's Medicaid, TRICARE and Federal Employees Health Benefits Program billings. The agreement on the financial terms is subject to, among other things, completion of negotiation and approval of a final settlement agreement with relevant federal and state governmental authorities, including the Department of Justice and the Office of Inspector General of the Department of Health and Human Services. There can be no assurance that a definitive settlement agreement will be reached.

Pediatrix had been informed of the national investigation in June 2003, and has cooperated fully with investigators.

### Outlook

As a result of the completion of the share repurchase program, Pediatrix now expects that earnings per share for 2006 will be \$4.83 to \$4.93 on a GAAP basis, or \$5.42 to \$5.52 per share when excluding the after-tax impact of equity-based compensation. Pediatrix is also introducing quarterly earnings per share guidance for 2006, presented in the following table on a GAAP basis and on an adjusted basis that excludes the impact of estimated equity-based compensation expense:

	Estimated GAAP EPS	Estimated Equity-based Compensation Expense	Adjusted Estimated EPS	
First Quarter	\$0.95 to \$0.97	\$ 0.13	\$1.08 to \$1.10	
Second Quarter	\$1.22 to \$1.24	\$ 0.14	\$1.36 to \$1.38	
Third Quarter	\$1.33 to \$1.36	\$ 0.16	\$1.49 to \$1.52	
Fourth Quarter	\$1.33 to \$1.36	\$ 0.16	\$1.49 to \$1.52	
Total	\$4.83 to \$4.93	\$ 0.59	\$5.42 to \$5.52	

Pediatrix expects that cash flow from operations will exceed \$170 million during 2006, excluding any payments that may be made in connection with a final settlement of the national Medicaid and TRICARE investigation.

## Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Information

This press release contains non-GAAP information, including income from operations, operating margin, net income and earnings per share as adjusted to exclude equity-based compensation expense and expenses related to a pre-tax charge as a result of an increase of the estimated liability relating to the Medicaid and TRICARE investigation. Pediatrix believes that the presentation of non-GAAP guidance provides useful information to management and investors regarding financial and business trends related to its results of operations and that when non-GAAP information is viewed with GAAP information, investors are provided with a meaningful understanding of Pediatrix's ongoing operating financial performance. This information is not intended to be considered in isolation, or as a substitute of GAAP financial information. The following table reconciles non-GAAP financial information to income from operations, net income and net income per common share which Pediatrix believes are the most

## Three Months Ended December 31, 2005

		GAAP Adjustments		Adjusted	
	(in	thousands	except per	share data)	
Net patient service revenue	\$	177,695	\$	\$ 177,695	
Operating expenses: Practice salaries and benefits Practice supplies and other		98,115	(1,188)	96,927	
operating expenses		7,569		7,569	
General and administrative expense	S		(19,188)		
Depreciation and amortization		2,400		2,400	
Total operating expenses		148,040		127,664	
Income from operations Operating margin		29,655 16.7%		50,031 28.2%	
Investment income Interest expense		534 (209)		534 (209)	
Income before income taxes Income tax provision		29,980 (14,110)	4,648	50,356 (18,758)	
Net income	\$	15,870 ======		\$ 31,598 ======	
Per share data: Net income per common and common equivalent share (diluted) Weighted average shares used in computing net income per common	\$	0.65		\$ 1.30	
and common equivalent share (diluted)		24,384		24,384	

### Investor conference call

Pediatrix Medical Group, Inc. will host an investor conference call to discuss the quarterly results at 10 a.m. (EST) today. During that call, members of Pediatrix's management team are expected to discuss quarterly earnings guidance for 2006. The conference call Webcast may be accessed from the Company's website, www.pediatrix.com. A telephone replay of the conference call will be available from 1:30 p.m. Eastern Time today through midnight Eastern Time February 15, 2006 by dialing 800-475-6701, access code 816253. The replay will also be available at www.pediatrix.com.

## About Pediatrix

Pediatrix Medical Group, Inc. (NYSE: PDX) is the nation's leading provider of newborn, maternal-fetal and pediatric physician subspecialty services. Pediatrix physicians and advanced nurse practitioners are reshaping the delivery of maternal-fetal and newborn care by identifying best demonstrated processes and participating in clinical research to enhance patient outcomes and provide high-quality, cost-effective care. Founded in 1979, its neonatal physicians provide services at more than 240 NICUs, and through Obstetrix, its perinatal physicians provide services in many markets where Pediatrix's neonatal physicians practice. Combined, Pediatrix and its affiliated professional corporations employ more than 850 physicians in 32 states and Puerto Rico. Pediatrix is also the nation's largest provider of newborn hearing screens and newborn metabolic screening. Additional information is available at www.pediatrix.com.

Certain statements and information in this press release may be deemed to be "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Federal Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements may include, but are not limited to, statements relating to our results of operations, objectives, plans

and strategies, and all statements (other than statements of historical facts) that address activities, events or developments that we intend, expect, project, believe or anticipate will or may occur in the future are forward-looking statements. These statements are often characterized by terminology such as "believe", "hope", "may", "anticipate", "should", "intend", "plan", "will", "expect",
"estimate", "project", "positioned", "strategy" and similar
expressions, and are based on assumptions and assessments made by Pediatrix's management in light of their experience and their perception of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors they believe to be appropriate. Any forward-looking statements in this press release are made as of the date hereof, and Pediatrix undertakes no duty to update or revise any such statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks and uncertainties. Important factors that could cause actual results, developments, and business decisions to differ materially from forward-looking statements are described in Pediatrix's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, including the section entitled "Risk Factors".

## Pediatrix Medical Group, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Income

	Decer	mber 31, 2004	12 months ended December 31, 2005 2004		
	(Unaı (in thous	udited) sands, except	(Unaudite for per sh	d) are data)	
Net patient service revenue		\$160,993	\$693,700		
Operating expenses: Practice salaries and benefits Practice supplies and		91,406		350,354	
other operating expenses General and	7,569	7,048	27,678	24,254	
administrative expenses Depreciation and	39,956	19,990	115,304	79,445	
amortization	2,400	2,355	9,915	9,353	
Total operating expenses	148,040	120,799	546,034	463,406	
Income from operations	29,655	40,194	147,666	,	
Operating Margin	16.7%	25.0%	21.3%	25.2%	
Investment income Interest expense	534 (209)	539 (441)	1,177 (2,262)	893 (1,295)	
Income before income taxes Income tax provision		40,292 (14,507)		(57,542)	
Net income		\$ 25,785 ======		\$ 98,279 ======	
Per share data:  Net income per common and common equivalent share (diluted)	\$ 0.65	\$ 1.10	\$ 3.72	\$ 3.97	
Weighted average shares used in computing net income per common and common equivalent share (diluted)	24,384	23,461	23,930	24,747	

# Balance Sheet Highlights

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	Dec.	As of ec. 31, 2005 (Unaudited)		Dec. 31,	
		(in thou	ıds)		
Assets: Cash & cash equivalents Short-term investments Accounts receivable, net Other current assets Other assets, property and equipment	\$	10,920 111,725 30,787		7,011 9,961 107,860 27,402 636,655	
Total assets		900,403	\$		
Liabilities and shareholders' equity: Accounts payable & accrued expenses Total debt Other liabilities	\$			128,991 55,312 33,555	
Total liabilities Shareholders' equity		691,791		217,858 571,031	
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity		900,403	\$		
Other Operating Da	ta		emb	s Ended er 31, 2004	
Number of: Births NICU Admissions NICU Patient days	1	629, 948 72, 876 ., 347, 064	1	567,794 63,115 .,195,936	

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