WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC. Form 8-K May 11, 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):

May 9, 2005

WellCare Health Plans, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	001-32209	47-0937650
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.
8725 Henderson Road, Renaissance One, Tampa, Florida		33634
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area	strant s telephone number, including area code:	
	Not Applicable	
Former name o	r former address, if changed since	last report

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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On May 9, 2005, the Registrant received an executed Amendment to Medicare Managed Care Contract Pursuant to section 1860D-31 of the Social Security Act for the Operation of a Medicare-Approved Prescription Drug Discount Card between the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and WellCare of Louisiana, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Registrant ("WellCare LA"), pursuant to which WellCare LA has been approved to and agrees to operate a Medicare-Approved Prescription Drug Discount Card. A copy of the amendment is attached as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report.

On May 3, 2005, the Registrant received an executed amendment to Contract No. C-014386 between The State of New York Department of Health and WellCare New York, Inc. ("WellCare NY") pursuant to which WellCare NY participates in the New York State Child Health Plus program. The amendment ensures compliance by WellCare NY with certain requirements under the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act. A copy of the amendment is attached as Exhibit 10.2 to this Current Report.

In the interest of providing interested parties with full access to its federal, state and county contracts, the Registrant has elected to file such contracts with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Registrant does not believe that its business is substantially dependent on many of these contracts when each is taken individually.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

10.1 Amendment to Medicare Managed Care Contract Pursuant to Section 1860D-31 of the Social Security Act for the Operation of a Medicare-Approved Prescription Drug Discount Card between Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and WellCare of Louisiana, Inc. 10.2 Amendment to Contract No. C-014386 between The State of New York Department of Health and WellCare New York, Inc.

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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.

WellCare Health Plans, Inc.

May 11, 2005 By: /s/ Thaddeus Bereday

Name: Thaddeus Bereday

Title: Senior Vice President and General Counsel

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Exhibit No.	Description
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	Section 1860D-31 of the Social Security Act for the
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	Discount Card between Centers for Medicare & Medicaid
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10.2	Amendment to Contract No. C-014386 between The State of
	New York Department of Health and WellCare New York,
	Inc.