AMERICAN HEALTHWAYS INC Form 8-K September 22, 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): September 22, 2005 (September 19, 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	es)	(Zip Code)
	(615) 665-1122	
(Registra	ant s telephone number, including a	area code)
	Not Applicable	
(Former name) (Former name) (Former name) (Form 8-K filing)	e or former address, if changed sinc ag is intended to simultaneously sati the following provisions:	
[] Written communications p	oursuant to Rule 425 under the Secu	urities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
[] Soliciting material pursuan	nt to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchan	ge Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
[] Pre-commencement communications	pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under th	e Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On September 19, 2005, the Company s Board of Directors amended the definition of early retirement in the Company s 1996 Stock Incentive Plan and the Company s Amended and Restated 2001 Stock Option Plan. A copy of each plan, as amended, is attached as Exhibit 10.1 and 10.2, respectively.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

#### (c) Exhibits

Exhibit 10.1 1996 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended

Exhibit 10.2 Amended and Restated 2001 Stock Option Plan

### 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: September 22, 2005

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Exhibit No.	Description
10.1	1996 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended
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