

AMERICAN HEALTHWAYS INC  
Form 8-K  
February 01, 2006

**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): February 1, 2006

**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 Offices)

(Zip Code)

(615) 665-1122

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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### Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On February 1, 2006, Healthways, Inc. (the Company) entered into amended and restated employment agreements (the Agreements) with Thomas G. Cigarran, Chairman, Ben R. Leedle, Jr., President and Chief Executive Officer, and the following executive vice presidents: Mary A. Chaput, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer; Robert L. Chaput, Executive Vice President and Chief Information Officer; Mary D. Hunter, Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer; James E. Pope, Executive Vice President and Chief Medical Officer; Robert E. Stone, Executive Vice President and Chief Strategy Officer; and Donald B. Taylor, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer (collectively, the "Executive Vice Presidents").

The Agreements with Mr. Leedle and the Executive Vice Presidents contain a two year continuous term and provide that each executive officer will receive an initial base salary as follows: Mr. Leedle \$600,000; Ms. Chaput, Mr. Chaput, Dr. Pope, and Mr. Stone \$330,000; Ms. Hunter \$270,000; and Mr. Taylor \$375,000. In addition, Mr. Leedle and each of the Executive Vice Presidents are entitled to receive a bonus and other equity incentives and are also entitled to receive severance benefits upon certain termination events.

Mr. Cigarran's employment agreement is effective until the date of the Company's annual meeting of stockholders in January 2008 and provides that he will receive a base salary of \$250,000. He is not entitled to receive a bonus or other equity incentives but is entitled to receive severance benefits upon certain termination events.

The full texts of the Agreements are attached hereto as Exhibits 10.1 through 10.8 and incorporated herein by reference.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

#### (c) Exhibits

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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

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Mary A. Chaput  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: February 1, 2006

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