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): August 18, 2003

DaVita Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction 1-4034 (Commission 51-0354549 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

21250 Hawthorne Boulevard, Suite 800, Torrance, California (Address of principal executive offices)

90503 (Zip Code)

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Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (310) 792-2600

Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure

Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 is a press release issued on August 18, 2003 announcing the closing of the partial redemption of \$200,000,000 principal amount of the Registrant s 7% Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2009, which is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit

No.	Description

99.1 Press Release, dated August 18, 2003.

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.

DAVITA INC.

Date: August 18, 2003

/s/ Patrick Broderick

Patrick Broderick

Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel