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(City)

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RICCHIUTI PETER

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AMEDISYS INC [AMED]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

01/05/2010

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5959 S. SHERWOOD FOREST BLVD.

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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BATON ROUGE, LA 70816

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities A onor Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and (A) or Amount (D)	(D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/05/2010		$M_{\underline{(1)}}$	500 (1) A	\$ 7.46	18,383	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2010		S <u>(1)</u>	500 (1) D	\$ 51.5276	17,883	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.46 (3)	01/05/2010		M <u>(1)</u>	500 (1)	01/01/2003(2)	06/30/2012	Common Stock	500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
RICCHIUTI PETER 5959 S. SHERWOOD FOREST BLVD. BATON ROUGE, LA 70816	X					

Signatures

/s/ Celeste Rasmussen Peiffer on behalf of Peter Ricchiuti pursuant to a power of attorney

01/06/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The option exercises and stock sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the reporting person.
- (2) 50% exercisable on the date indicated, 50% of the balance exercisable on July 1, 2003 and the balance exercisable on January 1, 2004.
 - This option was previously reported as covering a total of 10,000 shares at an exercise price of \$9.95 per share, but was adjusted to
- (3) 13,334 shares at an exercise price of \$7.46 per share as a result of the 4-for-3 stock split of the issuer's stock that occured on December 4, 2006.

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