

CELL THERAPEUTICS INC  
Form 8-K  
July 27, 2012

**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): July 27, 2012 (July 25, 2012)

**CELL THERAPEUTICS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation or organization)

001-12465  
(Commission  
File Number)

91-1533912  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

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3101 Western Avenue, Suite 600

Seattle, Washington 98121

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (206) 282-7100

Not applicable

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

*(c) Appointment of President.*

On July 25, 2012, the Board of Directors of Cell Therapeutics, Inc. (the Company ) appointed James A. Bianco, M.D., the Company's Chief Executive Officer, as its President, effective immediately. Dr. Bianco will not be receiving any additional compensation as a result of this appointment.

**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.

CELL THERAPEUTICS, INC.

Date: July 27, 2012

By: */s/ James A. Bianco, M.D.*  
**James A. Bianco**  
**President and Chief Executive Officer**