

PRIME MEDICAL SERVICES INC /TX/  
Form SC 13D/A  
April 03, 2002

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A  
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. 5)\*

Prime Medical Services, Inc.

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(Name of Issuer)

Shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

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(Title of Class of Securities)

74156C 10 0

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(CUSIP Number)

William H. Hayes

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1301 Capital of Texas Highway  
Suite C-300

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Austin, Texas 78746

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(512) 328-0888

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

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March 19, 2002

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(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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1. Names of Reporting Persons.  
I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

Employer Identification No. 75-1458323

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group  
(See Instructions)

(a)

(b) X

3. SEC Use Only

4. Source of Funds (See Instructions) WC

5. Check if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant  
to Items 2(d) or 2(e)

6. Citizenship or Place of Organization Texas

Number of Shares 7. Sole Voting Power 773,803

Beneficially

Owned by Each 8. Shared Voting Power

Reporting Person

With 9. Sole Dispositive Power 773,803

10. Shared Dispositive Power

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11.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person	773,803
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12.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)	
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13.	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)	4.9%
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14.	Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)	
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AMENDMENT No. 4 to SCHEDULE 13D

This Amendment No. 5 to Schedule 13D is being filed on behalf of American Physicians Service Group, Inc., a Texas corporation ("APS") as an amendment to the initial statement on Schedule 13D, relating to shares of the common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Common Stock") of Prime Medical Services, Inc. (the "Company") as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on October 20, 1989, (as amended by Amendment No. 1 filed with the Commission on July 29, 1993, and Amendment No. 2 filed with the Commission on May 19, 1999, and Amendment No. 3 filed with the Commission on March 7, 2002, and Amendment No. 4 filed with the Commission on April 2, 2002). Unless otherwise indicated, all defined terms used herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Schedule 13D.

ITEM 4. PURPOSE OF TRANSACTION

Section (a) of Item 4 is hereby amended by adding the following to the end thereof:

On March 19, 2002, pursuant to an unsolicited offer, APS sold 1,070,000 shares of Common Stock of the Company through SWS Securities, Inc. a registered broker/dealer. The shares were sold at \$6.772 per share with gross proceeds to the Company totaling \$7,246,500. The proceeds will be used for general corporate purposes. APS's March 19, 2002, sale of Common Stock was not pursuant to any plan or proposal to divest APS of its remaining holdings of Common Stock.

ITEM 5. INTEREST IN SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER

The indicated provisions of Item 5 are amended as follows:

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(a) APS is the beneficial owner of 773,803 shares of Common Stock, which constitutes approximately 4.9% of the issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock. See Exhibit A for shares of the Company beneficially owned by the officers and directors of APS.

(c) During the past 60 days, APS effected the last transaction described in Paragraph (a) of Item 4 above.

(e) As a result of the last transaction described in Paragraph (a) of Item 4 above, APS ceased to be a beneficial owner of more than five percent of the issues and outstanding shares of Common Stock on March 19, 2002.

ITEM 7. MATERIAL TO BE FILED AS EXHIBITS

Exhibit A of Item 7 is replaced in its entirety by the following:

Exhibit A - Description of Executive Officers and Directors of American Physicians Service Group, Inc., (filed herewith).

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

April 2, 2002

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Date

/s/ William H. Hayes

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Signature

William H. Hayes- Senior Vice President- Finance

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Name/Title

The original statement shall be signed by each person on whose behalf the statement is filed or his authorized representative. If the statement is signed on behalf of a person by his authorized representative (other than an executive officer or general partner of this filing person), evidence of the representative's authority to sign on behalf of such person shall be filed with the statement;

provided, however, that a power of attorney for this purpose which is already on file with the Commission may be incorporated by reference. The name and any title of each person who signs the statement shall be typed or printed beneath his signature.

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