

NEIGHBORCARE INC
Form SC 14D9/A
March 09, 2005

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

Schedule 14D-9
SOLICITATION/RECOMMENDATION STATEMENT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(d)(4) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

(Amendment No. 12)

NEIGHBORCARE, INC.
(Name of Subject Company)

NEIGHBORCARE, INC.
(Name of Person(s) Filing Statement)

Common Stock, Par Value \$0.02 Per Share
(including the Associated Series B Junior
Participating Preferred Stock Purchase Rights)
(Title of Class of Securities)

64015Y-10-4
(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

John F. Gaither, Esq.
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary
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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notice and
Communications on Behalf of the Person(s) Filing Statement)

With copies to:

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The purpose of this amendment is to amend and supplement Items 3 and 9 in the Solicitation/Recommendation Statement on Schedule 14D-9 previously filed by NeighborCare, Inc., a Pennsylvania corporation ("NeighborCare" or the "Company"), on June 14, 2004, as thereafter amended, and to add an additional Exhibit to Item 9 and revise the Exhibit Index accordingly.

ITEM 3. PAST CONTRACTS, TRANSACTIONS, NEGOTIATIONS AND AGREEMENTS.

Item 3(a) is hereby amended by adding the following at the end thereof:

Upon our Compensation Committee's recommendation and our Board of Directors' approval; we entered into an amendment to our employment agreement with Robert A. Smith, our Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, as of February 11, 2005. The amendment amends our employment agreement with Mr. Smith dated as of November 26, 2003 and provides as follows:

- o if Mr. Smith resigns during the 90-day period commencing six months after a change in control (as defined in the employment agreement) of NeighborCare, he will be considered to have resigned for "good reason" for all purposes of his employment agreement; and
- o that upon a change in control of NeighborCare, any and all equity-based compensation awards held by Mr. Smith that are outstanding as of the change in control and which are not then exercisable or vested shall vest in full and become immediately exercisable, unless (1) otherwise specifically provided by a specific reference to his employment agreement in an equity compensation plan of NeighborCare or in any award agreements granted thereunder or (2) the Board, by affirmative vote of 75% of the incumbent directors (as defined in our 2004 Performance Incentive Plan), determines prior to the change in control that the immediate vesting provided for in the amendment shall not occur, in which case the provision of the grant or of the employment agreement that otherwise determined the vesting schedule for such awards shall continue to control.

Except with respect to the amendments described above, our employment agreement with Mr. Smith remains in full force and effect. The foregoing summary of the amendment to our employment agreement with Mr. Smith is qualified in its entirety by the specific language of such amendment, which is included as Exhibit (a)(26) to this schedule.

ITEM 9. EXHIBITS.

Exhibit No.	Description
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SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief,

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I certify that the information set forth in this amendment is true, complete and correct.

NEIGHBORCARE, INC.

By: /s/ John F. Gaither, Jr.

John F. Gaither, Jr.
Senior Vice President,
General Counsel and Secretary

Dated: March 9, 2005

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