

MEDICINES CO /DE
Form 8-K
February 12, 2010

**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): February 9, 2010
The Medicines Company**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

000-31191

04-3324394

(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**8 Sylvan Way
Parsippany, New Jersey**

07054

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(973) 290-6000**

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):

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

Item 2.05. Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities.

On February 9, 2010, The Medicines Company (the Company) commenced implementation of a workforce reduction in its field-based functions to improve efficiencies and better align the Company s costs and structure for the future.

The workforce reduction will result in the Company reducing its personnel by 43 employees, representing approximately 26% of the Company s field-based workforce. Affected employees will be eligible to receive severance payments, earned 2009 bonuses, fully paid health care coverage for six months and outplacement services. The Company expects to complete the workforce reduction by the end of February 2010.

The Company expects to record a one-time charge of approximately \$3.5 million associated with the employee severance arrangements, which will be recognized in the first quarter of 2010. Substantially all of this charge is expected to represent cash expenditures. The Company expects to realize estimated annualized cost savings from the workforce reduction in the range of \$8 million to \$9 million starting in the first quarter of 2010.

Forward Looking Statements

This current report includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. For this purpose, any statements contained herein regarding the Company s strategy, future operations, prospects, plans and objectives of management, other than statements of historical facts, are forward-looking statements. The words anticipates, believes, estimates, expects, intends, may, plans, pro would and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words. The Company cannot guarantee that it actually will achieve the results, plans, intentions or expectations expressed or implied in the Company s forward-looking statements. There are a number of important factors that could cause actual results, levels of activity, performance or events to differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements the Company makes. These important factors include the factors set forth in the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 9, 2009, which are incorporated herein by reference. The Company specifically disclaims any obligation to update these forward looking statements.

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.

THE MEDICINES COMPANY

Date: February 11, 2010

By: /s/ Paul M. Antinori

Name: Paul M. Antinori

Title: Senior Vice President and General
Counsel