# 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

January 9, 2006 (Date of earliest event reported)

# LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)				
DELA	WARE	1-11353	13-3757370	
•	er jurisdiction	(Commission	(I.R.S. Employer	<u> </u>
of Incor	poration)	File Number)	Identification No.)	
358 SOUTH MAIN STREET, BURLINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA		27215	336-229-1127	
(Address of principal executive	offices)	(Zip Code)	(Registrant's telephone numbe	er including area code)
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 ollowing provisions:  Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)  Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))  TEM 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure				
TEM 1.01. Regulation 1 B Bioliosare				
On January 9, 2006 Laboratory Corporation of America <sup>®</sup> Holdings (LabCorp <sup>®</sup> ) (NYSE: LH) announced that Bradford T. Smith, Executive Vice President, Corporate Affairs, and William (Brad) Hayes, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, are scheduled to speak at the IPMorgan Healthcare Conference in San Francisco, CA. LabCorp's presentation is planned for Tuesday, January 10, 2006 at 8:30 a.m. (Pacific Time).				
Exhibits				
99.1 Press Release dated January 9, 2006				

### **SIGNATURES**

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.

<u>Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings</u> (Registrant)

Date: January 10, 2006 By: /s/Bradford T. Smith

Bradford T. Smith, Executive Vice President and Secretary

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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## LABCORP TO PRESENT AT THE JPMORGAN HEALTHCARE CONFERENCE

**Burlington, NC, January 09, 2006** — Laboratory Corporation of America<sup>®</sup> Holdings (LabCorp<sup>®</sup>) (NYSE: LH) today announced that Bradford T. Smith, Executive Vice President, Corporate Affairs, and William (Brad) Hayes, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, are scheduled to speak at the JPMorgan Healthcare Conference in San Francisco, CA. LabCorp's presentation is planned for Tuesday, January 10, 2006 at 8:30 a.m. (Pacific Time).

A live audio webcast of the presentation will be available via the Company web site at <a href="https://www.labcorp.com">www.labcorp.com</a>. An archived replay of the audio webcast will be available through January 31, 2006.

#### About LabCorp

Laboratory Corporation of America® Holdings, an S&P 500 company with a BBB investment-grade credit rating, is a pioneer in commercializing new diagnostic technologies and the first in its industry to embrace genomic testing. With annual revenues of \$3.1 billion in 2004, approximately 24,000 employees nationwide, and more than 220,000 clients, LabCorp offers clinical assays ranging from blood analyses to HIV and genomic testing. LabCorp combines its expertise in innovative clinical testing technology with its Centers of Excellence: The Center for Molecular Biology and Pathology, in Research Triangle Park, NC; National Genetics Institute, Inc. in Los Angeles, CA; ViroMed Laboratories, Inc. based in Minneapolis, MN; The Center for Esoteric Testing in Burlington, NC; DIANON *Systems*, Inc. based in Stratford, CT, US LABS based in Irvine, CA, and Esoterix and its Colorado Coagulation, Endocrine Sciences, and Cytometry Associates laboratories. LabCorp clients include physicians, government agencies, managed care organizations, hospitals, clinical labs, and pharmaceutical companies. To learn more about our growing organization, visit our web site at: www.LabCorp.com.

Each of the above forward-looking statements is subject to change based on various important factors, including without limitation, competitive actions in the marketplace and adverse actions of governmental and other third-party payors. Actual results could differ materially from those suggested by these forward-looking statements. Further information on potential factors that could affect LabCorp's financial results is included in the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004 and subsequent SEC filings.