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

<u>Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)</u> April 23, 2019

BIOSCRIP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Delaware</u> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-11993 (Commission File Number) <u>05-0489664</u> (Employer Identification Number)

1600 Broadway, Suite 700, Denver, Colorado 80202 (Address of principal executive offices)

(720) 697-5200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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	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))
	Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).
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	an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or ised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.
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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On April 23, 2019, BioScrip, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release (the "Release") announcing that it has received notification that early termination of the Hart–Scott–Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 waiting period has been granted in respect of the Company's proposed merger with HC Group Holdings II, Inc. (the "Option Care Merger") and that it intends to file its preliminary proxy statement in respect of the Option Care Merger during the week of April 29, 2019. The Release is filed with this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release issued by BioScrip, Inc. dated April 23, 2019.

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.

BIOSCRIP, INC.

Date: April 23, 2019 By: /s/ Kathryn M. Stalmack

Kathryn M. Stalmack

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary



BioScrip, Inc. Provides Merger Update

DENVER, CO, April 23, 2019 – BioScrip, Inc. (NASDAQ: BIOS) ("BioScrip" or the "Company"), the largest independent national provider of infusion and home care management solutions, today provided an update on its proposed merger with Option Care Enterprises, Inc. ("Option Care").

The Company received notification on April 8, 2019, that early termination of the Hart–Scott–Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 ("HSR Act") waiting period has been granted for the Company's proposed merger with Option Care.

The Company expects to file the preliminary Option Care merger proxy statement the week of April 29, 2019 with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). After the proxy statement is filed, management from both BioScrip and Option Care plan to conduct joint analyst and investor meetings. As part of the analyst and investor meetings, the Company will file an investor presentation with the SEC that will include a business and merger update. The Company will release its first quarter 2019 financial results after the proxy statement filing.

The Company continues to anticipate that its merger with Option Care will close in the second half of 2019.

About BioScrip, Inc.

BioScrip, Inc. is the largest independent national provider of infusion and home care management solutions, with approximately 2,100 teammates and nearly 70 service locations across the U.S. BioScrip partners with physicians, hospital systems, payors, pharmaceutical manufacturers and skilled nursing facilities to provide patients access to post-acute care services. BioScrip operates with a commitment to bring customer-focused pharmacy and related healthcare infusion therapy services into the home or alternate-site setting. By collaborating with the full spectrum of healthcare professionals and the patient, BioScrip provides cost-effective care that is driven by clinical excellence, customer service, and values that promote positive outcomes and an enhanced quality of life for those it serves.

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Forward-Looking Statements - Safe Harbor

This communication, in addition to historical information, contains "forward-looking statements" (as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995) regarding, among other things, future events or the future financial performance of BioScrip and Option Care. All statements other than statements of historical facts are forward-looking statements. In addition, words such as "anticipate," "believe," "contemplate," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "potential," "predict," "seek," "should," "target," "will," "would," or the negative of these words, and words and terms of similar substance used in connection with any discussion of future plans, actions or events identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements relating to the proposed transaction include, but are not limited to: statements about the benefits of the proposed transaction between BioScrip and Option Care, including future financial and operating results; expected synergies; BioScrip's and Option Cares plans, objectives, expectations and intentions; the expected timing of completion of the proposed transaction; and other statements relating to the acquisition that are not historical facts. Forward-looking statements are based on information currently available to BioScrip and Option Care and involve estimates, expectations and projections. Investors are cautioned that all such forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties (both known and unknown), and many factors could cause actual events or results to differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements. With respect to the proposed transaction between BioScrip and Option Care, these factors could include, but are not limited to: the risk that BioScrip or Option Care may be unable to obtain governmental and regulatory approvals required for the transaction, or that required governmental and regulatory approvals may delay the transaction or result in the imposition of conditions that could reduce the anticipated benefits from the proposed transaction or cause the parties to abandon the proposed transaction; the risk that a condition to closing of the transaction may not be satisfied; the length of time necessary to consummate the proposed transaction, which may be longer than anticipated for various reasons; the risk that the businesses will not be integrated successfully; the risk that the cost savings, synergies and growth from the proposed transaction may not be fully realized or may take longer to realize than expected; the diversion of management time on transaction-related issues; the effect of future regulatory or legislative actions on the companies or the industries in which they operate; the risk that the credit ratings of the combined company or its subsidiaries may be different from what the companies expect; economic and foreign exchange rate volatility; and the other risks contained in BioScrip's most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Many of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions are beyond BioScrip's ability to control or predict. Because of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. Furthermore, forward-looking statements speak only as of the information currently available to the parties on the date they are made, and neither BioScrip nor Option Care undertakes any obligation to update publicly or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances that may arise after the date of this communication. Nothing in this communication is intended, or is to be construed, as a profit forecast or to be interpreted to mean that earnings per BioScrip share for the current or any future financial years or those of the combined company, will necessarily match or exceed the historical published earnings per BioScrip share, as applicable. Neither BioScrip nor Option Care gives any assurance (1) that either BioScrip or Option Care will achieve its expectations, or (2) concerning any result or the timing thereof, in each case, with respect to any regulatory action, administrative proceedings, government investigations, litigation, warning letters, consent decrees, cost reductions, business strategies, earnings or revenue trends or future financial results. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements concerning BioScrip, Option Care, the proposed transaction, the combined company or other matters and attributable to BioScrip or Option Care or any person acting on their behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements above.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND WHERE TO FIND IT

BioScrip, Inc. ("BioScrip" or the "Company") will file with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") a proxy statement in connection with the proposed transaction. The proxy statement will contain important information about the proposed transaction and related matters. INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS ARE URGED AND ADVISED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE BECAUSE IT WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION. The proxy statement and other relevant materials (when they become available) and any other documents filed by the Company with the SEC may be obtained free of charge at the SEC's website, at www.sec.gov. In addition, security holders will be able to obtain free copies of the proxy statement and other relevant materials from the Company by contacting Investor Relations by mail at 1600 Broadway, Suite 700, Denver, CO 80202, Attn: Investor Relations, by telephone at (720) 697-5200, or by going to the Company's Investor Relations page on its corporate web site at https://investors.bioscrip.com.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SOLICITATION

The Company and its directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from stockholders in connection with the matters discussed above. Information about the Company's directors and executive officers is set forth in the Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A for the Company's 2018 annual meeting of stockholders, which was filed with the SEC on April 4, 2018. This document can be obtained free of charge from the sources indicated above. Information regarding the ownership of the Company's directors and executive officers in the Company's securities is included in the Company's SEC filings on Forms 3, 4, and 5, which can be found through the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. Other information regarding the participants in the proxy solicitation and a description of their direct and indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, will be contained in the preliminary proxy statement and the definitive proxy statement and other relevant materials to be filed with the SEC when they become available.