
**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): **August 17, 2015**

PACIRA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-35060
(Commission
File Number)

51-0619477
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

5 Sylvan Way, Suite 300, Parsippany, New Jersey 07054
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(973) 254-3560
Registrant's telephone number, including area code

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On August 17, 2015, Pacira Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company") appointed James B. Jones, MD, as Senior Vice President and Chief Medical Officer of the Company. Dr. Jones replaces Gary Patou, MD, as Chief Medical Officer of the Company effective August 17, 2015. Dr. Patou will remain with the Company as a clinical consultant.

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.

Pacira Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Date: August 19, 2015

By: /s/ James Scibetta
James Scibetta
Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer
and Head of Technical Operations