# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**WASHINGTON, DC 20549** 

# FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

# AMN HEALTHCARE SERVICES, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	
(State or other jurisdiction of	
ncorporation or organization)	

06-1500476 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

12400 High Bluff Drive, Suite 100
San Diego, California 92130
(Address, including zip code, of Registrant's principal executive offices)

2012 Stand-Alone Inducement Equity Award for Mr. Sean Ebner
(Full title of the plan)

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AMN Healthcare Services, Inc.
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 $(Name, address, including \ zip\ code, and\ telephone\ number, including\ area\ code, of\ agent\ for\ service)$ 

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the

Large accelerated filer		Accelerated filer	X
Non-accelerated filer	☐ (Do not check if smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company	

# CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

		Proposed	Proposed	
	Amount	Maximum	Maximum	
	to be	Offering Price	Aggregate	Amount of
Title of Securities to be Registered	Registered (1)	Per Share (2)	Offering Price (3)	Registration Fee
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	41,176 shares	\$5.97	\$245,821	\$28.17

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), this Registration Statement shall be deemed to cover any additional securities to be offered or issued from stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.
- (2) Pursuant to Rules 457(c) and 457(h) under the Securities Act, the proposed maximum offering price per share was determined based on the average of the high and low prices of the Common Stock as reported by the New York Stock Exchange on April 16, 2012.
- (3) Estimated solely for computing the registration fee in accordance with Rule 457(c) and 457(h) under the Securities Act.

# **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

AMN Healthcare Services, Inc. (the "Company," "we," "us," or "our") has prepared this Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") in accordance with the requirements of Form S-8 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), to register 41,176 shares of our common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), issuable pursuant to an equity award granted to Sean Ebner. We granted Mr. Ebner 41,176 restricted stock units as an inducement for agreeing to serve as our President, Locum Tenens. Mr. Ebner's equity award was not made pursuant to the AMN Healthcare Equity Plan, as Amended and Restated.

#### PART I

# INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

# Item 1. Plan Information.

The document(s) containing the information specified in Part I of Form S-8 will be sent or given as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) under the Securities Act. Such documents are not being filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"), but constitute, along with the documents incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement, a prospectus that meets the requirements of Section 10(a) of the Securities Act.

# Item 2. Registrant Information and Employee Plan Annual Information.

We will furnish without charge to any person to whom the prospectus is delivered, upon written or oral request, a copy of any and all of the documents incorporated by reference in Item 3 of Part II of this Registration Statement, other than exhibits to such documents (unless such exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference to the information that is incorporated). Those documents are incorporated by reference in the Section 10(a) prospectus. We will also furnish without charge to any person to whom the prospectus is delivered, upon written or oral request, other documents required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 428(b). Requests should be directed to AMN Healthcare Services, Inc., 12400 High Bluff Drive, Suite 100, San Diego, California 92130; Telephone number (866) 871-8519; Attn: General Counsel.

#### PART II

# INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

# Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The following documents filed by us with the Commission are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement:

- Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011, filed with the Commission on March 9, 2012, including portions of our proxy statement for the 2012 annual meeting of stockholders, filed on March 9, 2012, to the extent specifically incorporated by reference therein.
- 2. Our Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 24, 2012, filed with the Commission on February 27, 2012.
- 3. Our Current Report on Form 8-K dated April 5, 2012, filed with the Commission on April 9, 2012.
- 4. Our Current Report on Form 8-K dated April 18, 2012, filed with the Commission on April 20, 2012.
- 5. The description of the Common Stock set forth in our Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed pursuant to Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), on October 26, 2001, and any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating any such description.

In addition, all reports and documents filed by us pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the date hereof and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference herein and made a part hereof from the date of the filing of such documents.

For purposes of clarity, any statement contained in this Registration Statement, in an amendment hereto or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein and to be a part hereof shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed amendment to this Registration Statement or in any document that also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

# Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not Applicable.

# Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not Applicable.

# Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Section 145(a) of the Delaware General Corporation Law ("DGCL") provides, in general, that a corporation shall have the power to indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, other than an action by or in the right of the corporation, because the person is or was a director or officer of the corporation. Such indemnity may be against expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, if the person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation and if, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, the person did not have reasonable cause to believe the person's conduct was unlawful.

Section 145(b) of the DGCL provides, in general, that a corporation shall have the power to indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor because the person is or was a director or officer of the corporation, against any expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit if the person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court of Chancery or the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to be indemnified for such expenses which the Court of Chancery or such other court shall deem proper.

Section 145(g) of the DGCL provides, in general, that a corporation shall have the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director or officer of the corporation against any liability asserted against the person in any such capacity, or arising out of the person's status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify the person against such liability under the provisions of the law.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation (the "Certificate") provides that we will indemnify any person, including persons who are not our directors and officers, to the fullest extent permitted by section 145 of the DGCL. In addition, pursuant to our Bylaws, we are obligated to indemnify any officer or director who is or was made, or threatened to be made, a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, including, without limitation, an action by or in the right of the Company to procure a judgment in its favor, by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director or officer of the Company (1) against expenses (including attorneys' fees) if an action by or in the right of the Company and (2) against judgments, fines, and amounts paid in settlement and expenses (including attorneys' fees), if any other proceeding, in each case, if the person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the Company, and, with respect to any criminal proceeding, had no reason to believe the person's conduct was unlawful; provided no indemnification will be made for an action by or in the right of the Company to the extent prohibited by the DGCL.

Section 102 of the DGCL permits the limitation of directors' personal liability to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duties as a director except for (i) any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, (ii) acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of the law, (iii) breaches under section 174 of the DGCL, which relates to unlawful payments of dividends or unlawful stock repurchase or redemptions, and (iv) any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. Our Certificate also limits the personal liability of our directors to the fullest extent permitted by section 102 of the DGCL.

We also enter into indemnification agreements with our directors and officers indemnifying them against liability they may incur in their capacity as such subject to customary limitations. The indemnification agreements also detail the general procedures for obtaining indemnification and for the advancements of expenses for indemnifiable events.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers or persons controlling the Company pursuant to the foregoing provisions, the Company has been informed that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable.

The directors and officers of the Company are insured under policies of insurance maintained by us, subject to the limits of the policies, against certain losses arising from any claims made against them by reason of being or having been such directors or officers.

The foregoing statements are subject to the detailed provisions of sections 145 and 102 of the DGCL, the Certificate, the Bylaws and the referenced indemnification agreements.

# Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not Applicable.

# Item 8. Exhibits.

- 4.1 Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of AMN Healthcare Services, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001, filed with the Commission on March 18, 2002).
- 4.2 Seventh Amended and Restated By-Laws of AMN Healthcare Services, Inc., effective July 27, 2010 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2010, filed with the Commission on July 30, 2010).
- 5.1 Opinion of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP as to the legality of the shares of Common Stock.\*
- 10.1 Restricted Stock Unit Agreement by and between AMN Healthcare Services, Inc. and Sean Ebner.\*
- 23.1 Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.\*
- 23.2 Consent of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).\*
- 24.1 Power of Attorney (included on signature page hereto).\*

# Item 9. Undertakings.

- (a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:
  - To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
    - (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
    - (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement;
    - (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

<sup>\*</sup> Filed herewith.

Provided however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) of this section do not apply if the registration statement is on Form S-8, and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

- 2. That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- 3. To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

# **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of San Diego, State of California on April 20, 2012.

# AMN HEALTHCARE SERVICES, INC.

By:	/s/ SUSAN R. SALKA
Name:	Susan R. Salka
Title:	President and Chief Executive Officer

# POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Susan R. Salka and Brian M. Scott, or either of them, as his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact with full power of substitution and resubstitution, in any and all capacities, to sign this registration statement or amendments (including post-effective amendments) thereto and to file the same with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto each of said attorney-in-fact and agents full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done, as fully to all intents and purposes and he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and conforming all that said attorney-in-fact and agents, or their substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement has been signed on April 20, 2012 by the following persons in the capacities indicated.

Signature	<u>Title</u>
/s/ SUSAN R. SALKA Susan R. Salka	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)
/s/ DOUGLAS D. WHEAT  Douglas D. Wheat	Chairman of the Board of Directors
/s/ R. JEFFREY HARRIS  R. Jeffrey Harris	Director
/s/ MICHAEL M.E. JOHNS Michael M.E. Johns	Director
/s/ MARTHA H. MARSH  Martha H. Marsh	Director
/s/ ANDREW M. STERN Andrew M. Stern	Director
/s/ PAUL E. WEAVER Paul E. Weaver	Director
/s/ BRIAN M. SCOTT Brian M. Scott	Chief Financial Officer, Chief Accounting Officer and Treasurer (Principal Accounting and Financial Officer)

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#### Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP

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April 20, 2012

AMN Healthcare Services, Inc. 12400 High Bluff Drive, Suite 100 San Diego, California 92130

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special counsel to AMN Healthcare Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") of the Company, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), and the rules and regulations thereunder (the "Rules"). You have asked us to furnish our opinion as to the legality of securities being registered under the Registration Statement. The Registration Statement relates to the registration under the Act of 41,176 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Company (the "Shares") issuable pursuant to an equity award grant.

In connection with the furnishing of this opinion, we have examined originals, or copies certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, of the following documents (collectively, the "Documents"):

- 1. the Registration Statement;
- 2. the Restricted Stock Unit Agreement between the Company and Mr. Sean Ebner in respect of the Shares (the "RSU Agreement");
- 3. the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, included as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001 filed with the Commission on March 18, 2002; and
- 4. the Seventh Amended and Restated By-laws of the Company, included as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2010, filed with the Commission on July 30, 2010.

In addition, we have examined (i) such corporate records of the Company that we have considered appropriate, including copies of resolutions of the board of directors of the Company relating to the issuance of the Shares, certified by the Company and (ii) such other certificates, agreements and documents that we deemed relevant and necessary as a basis for the opinions expressed below. We have also relied upon the factual matters contained in the representations and warranties of the Company made in the Documents and upon certificates of public officials and the officers of the Company.

In our examination of the documents referred to above, we have assumed, without independent investigation, the genuineness of all signatures, the legal capacity of all individuals who have executed any of the documents reviewed by us, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to the originals of all documents submitted to us as certified, photostatic, reproduced or conformed copies of valid existing agreements or other documents, the authenticity of all the latter documents and that the statements regarding matters of fact in the certificates, records, agreements, instruments and documents that we have examined are accurate and complete.

Based upon the above, and subject to the stated qualifications, we are of the opinion that, when issued in accordance with the terms of the RSU Agreement, the 41,176 Shares so issued will be duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

The opinion expressed above is limited to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. Our opinion is rendered only with respect to the laws, and the rules, regulations and orders under those laws, that are currently in effect.

We hereby consent to use of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving this consent, we do not thereby admit that we come within the category of persons whose consent is required by the Act or the Rules.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP PAUL, WEISS, RIFKIND, WHARTON & GARRISON LLP

# AMN HEALTHCARE EQUITY PLAN RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AGREEMENT

THIS RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AGREEMENT (the "Agreement"), made this March 5, 2012, by and between AMN Healthcare Services, Inc. (the "Company"), a Delaware corporation, and Sean Ebner (the "Grantee").

# WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company sponsors the AMN Healthcare Equity Plan (the "<u>Plan</u>"), and desires to afford the Grantee the opportunity to share in the appreciation of the Company's common stock, par value \$.01 per share ("<u>Stock</u>") thereunder, thereby strengthening the Grantee's commitment to the welfare of the Company and Affiliates and promoting an identity of interest between stockholders and the Grantee.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

# 1. Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable throughout the Agreement. Where defined terms are not defined herein, their meaning shall be that set forth in the Plan.

(a) "Affiliate" means (i) any entity that directly or indirectly is controlled by, or is under common control with the Company and (ii) any entity in which the Company has a significant equity interest, in either case as determined by the Committee.

(b) "Cause" means the Company or an Affiliate having "cause" to terminate a Grantee's employment or service, as defined in any existing employment, consulting or any other agreement between the Grantee and the Company or a Subsidiary or Affiliate, or, in the absence of such an employment, consulting or other agreement, upon (i) the determination by the Committee that the Grantee has ceased to perform his/her duties to the Company or an Affiliate (other than as a result of his/her incapacity due to physical or mental illness or injury), which failure amounts to an intentional and extended neglect of his/her duties to such party, (ii) the Committee's determination that the Grantee has engaged or is about to engage in conduct injurious to the Company or an Affiliate, (iii) the Grantee having been convicted of, or pleaded guilty or no contest to, a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude or (iv) the failure of the Grantee to follow the lawful instructions of the Board or Grantee's direct superiors; provided, however, that in the instances of clauses (i), (ii) and (iv), the Company or Affiliate, as applicable, must give the Grantee twenty (20) days' prior written notice of the defaults constituting "cause" hereunder.

- (c) "Change in Control" shall, unless in the case of a particular RSU, the applicable Restricted Stock Unit Agreement states otherwise or contains a different definition of "Change in Control," be deemed to occur upon:
- (i) the acquisition by any individual, entity or group (within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) or 14(d)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")) (a "Person") of beneficial ownership (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act) of a majority of the combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities of the Company entitled to vote generally in the election of directors;
  - (ii) the sale of all or substantially all of the business or assets of the Company; or
- (iii) the consummation of a merger, consolidation or similar form of corporate transaction involving the Company that requires the approval of the Company's stockholders, whether for such transaction or the issuance of securities in the transaction (a "Business Combination"), if immediately following such Business Combination: (x) a Person is or becomes the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of a majority of the combined voting power of the outstanding voting securities eligible to elect directors of the Parent Corporation (or, if there is no Parent Corporation, the Surviving Corporation), or (y) the Company's stockholders prior to the Business Combination thereafter cease to beneficially own, directly or indirectly, a majority of the combined voting power of the outstanding voting securities eligible to elect directors of the Parent Corporation (or, if there is no Parent Corporation, the Surviving Corporation), counting for this purpose only voting securities of the Parent Corporation (or, if there is no Parent Corporation, the Surviving Corporation) received by such stockholders in connection with the Business Combination. "Surviving Corporation" shall mean the corporation resulting from a Business Combination, and "Parent Corporation" shall mean the ultimate parent corporation that directly or indirectly has beneficial ownership of a majority of the combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities of the Surviving Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of directors.
- (d) "Committee" means the compensation committee of the Board or a similar committee performing the functions of the compensation committee and which is comprised of not less than two Non-Employee Directors who are independent.
- (e) "<u>Credited Service</u>" shall mean the performance of Service on a substantially full time basis for a continuous twelve-month period. For this purpose, substantially full time basis shall mean that the employee or consultant provides regular and recurring services to the Company of at least 32 hours each week. The taking of approved Paid Time Off or legally mandated leave, such as FMLA, does not interrupt this period of Credited Service.
  - (f) "Grant Date" means March 5, 2012, which is the date specified in the authorization of this RSU grant.

- (g) "Grantee" means an individual who has been selected by the Committee to participate in the Plan and to receive a RSU grant pursuant to Section 2.
  - (h) "Restricted Stock Unit" or "RSU" means an award granted under Section 2.
- (i) <u>"Service"</u> shall mean the performance of services for the Company (or any Affiliate) by a person in the capacity of an officer or other employee or key person (including consultants).
- 2. <u>Grant of Restricted Stock Units</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Company hereby grants to the Grantee an aggregate of 41,176 Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs).
- **3.** <u>Vesting Schedule</u>. No RSUs may be settled until they shall have vested. Except as otherwise set forth in this Agreement or in the Plan, the RSUs will vest on and after the third anniversary of the Grant Date <u>and</u> the Grantee's provision of three periods of Credited Service. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if each of the annual performance thresholds set forth in <u>Schedule I</u> attached hereto are met, respectively: 33% of the RSUs shall vest on and after the 13<sup>th</sup> month anniversary of the Grant Date and the Grantee's provision of one period of Credited Service; and 34% of the RSUs shall vest on the second anniversary of the Grant Date and the Grantee's provision of a second period of Credited Service.

# 4. Settlement and Deferral of RSUs.

- (a) Each vested RSU entitles the Grantee to receive one share of Stock on the "Settlement Date" which shall be the later of (i) the vesting date for such RSU or (ii) the end of the deferral period specified by the Grantee. The deferral period shall be no less than three (3) years and five (5) days from the Grant Date. Such deferral election shall be made within 30 days of the Grant Date. This deferral period will apply only to the deferral election made on the specific deferral election form. In addition, any such deferral must apply to receipt of all shares of Stock underlying the entire Grant; for example, a deferral period of five (5) years would result in the Grantee receiving shares of Stock underlying the entire Grant five (5) years from the Grant Date regardless of the fact that the RSUs may have vested at differing times. (If no deferral period is specified on the deferral election form, Stock will be issued as soon as practicable upon vesting of the RSUs). If the Grantee wishes to elect to delay his original Settlement Date, such election must be made at least twelve (12) months in advance of the Settlement Date and the new Settlement Date must be at least five (5) years after the original Settlement Date.
- (b) Shares of Stock underlying the RSUs shall be issued and delivered to the Grantee in accordance with paragraph (a) and upon compliance to the satisfaction of the Committee with all requirements under applicable laws or regulations in connection with such issuance and with the requirements hereof and of the Plan. The determination of the Committee as to such compliance shall be final and binding on the Grantee. The shares of Stock delivered to the Grantee pursuant to this Section 4 shall be free and clear of all liens, fully paid and non-assessable.

- (c) Until such time as shares of Stock have been issued to the Grantee pursuant to paragraph (b) above, and except as set forth in Section 5 below regarding dividend equivalents, the Grantee shall not have any rights as a holder of the shares of Stock underlying this Grant including but not limited to voting rights.
- (d) The Grantee may be required to pay to the Company or any Affiliate, and the Company or any Affiliate shall have the right and is hereby authorized to withhold from any shares of Stock or other property deliverable under the RSU or from any compensation or other amounts owing to the Grantee the amount (in cash, Stock or other property) of any required tax withholding and payroll taxes in respect of an RSU vesting or settlement and to take such other action as may be necessary in the opinion of the Company to satisfy all obligations for the payment of such taxes.
- (e) Without limiting the generality of clause (d) above, in the Committee's sole discretion the Grantee may satisfy, in whole or in part, the foregoing withholding liability (but no more than the minimum required withholding liability) by having the Company withhold from the number of shares of Stock otherwise issuable pursuant to the settlement of the RSU a number of shares with a Fair Market Value equal to such withholding liability.
- **5.** <u>Dividend Equivalents</u>. If on any date the Company shall pay any cash dividend on shares of Stock of the Company, the number of RSUs credited to the Grantee shall, as of such date, be increased by an amount determined by the following formula:
  - W = (X multiplied by Y) divided by Z, where:
  - W = the number of additional RSUs to be credited to the Grantee on such dividend payment date;
  - X = the aggregate number of RSUs (whether vested or unvested) credited to the Grantee as of the record date of the dividend;
  - Y = the cash dividend per share amount; and
  - Z = the Fair Market Value per share of Stock (as determined under the Plan) on the dividend payment date.

# 6. Termination of Employment.

(a) If, prior to the Settlement Date, the Grantee shall undergo: a termination of full-time employment if an employee (and also termination of Service if a director); or cessation of providing Credited Service if a consultant, each other than for Cause, (i) the RSUs which are vested at the time of such termination shall be determined in accordance with Section 3, (ii) the RSUs which are not vested at the date of such termination shall expire on such date. In the event of such termination, regardless of the Grantee's deferral election, the Company, as soon as practicable following the effective date of termination shall issue shares of Stock to Grantee (or Grantee's designated

beneficiary or estate executor in the event of Grantee's death) with respect to any RSUs which, as of the effective date of termination, have vested but for which shares of Stock had not yet been issued to Grantee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Grantee is a specified employee (as defined in Section 409A of the Code), any distribution on account of termination of employment shall be delayed six months and a day after the Grantee's separation from service (within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder) after such termination of employment.

(b) If, prior to the Settlement Date, the Grantee is terminated from the employment or service with the Company for Cause, all RSUs then held by such Grantee (whether or not vested) shall expire immediately upon such cessation of employment or service.

# 7. Company; Grantee.

- (a) The term "Company" as used in this Agreement with reference to employment shall include the Company, its Subsidiaries and its Affiliates, as appropriate.
- (b) Whenever the word "<u>Grantee</u>" is used in any provision of this Agreement under circumstances where the provision should logically be construed to apply to the beneficiaries, the executors, the administrators, or the person or persons to whom the RSUs may be transferred by will or by the laws of descent and distribution, the word "<u>Grantee</u>" shall be deemed to include such person or persons.
- **8.** <u>Non-Transferability</u>. The RSUs are not transferable by the Grantee other than to a designated beneficiary upon death, by will or the laws of descent and distribution, to a trust solely for the benefit of the Grantee or his/her immediate family, or in the case of the RSUs being held by such a trust, by the trustee.

# 9. Forfeiture for Non-Compete Violation.

(a) <u>Non-Compete</u>. The Grantee agrees that during the term of Grantee's employment and for a period of two years thereafter (the "Coverage Period") the Grantee will not engage in, consult with, participate in, hold a position as shareholder, director, officer, consultant, employee, partner or investor, or otherwise assist any business entity (i) in any State of the United States of America or (ii) in any other country in which the Company has business activities, in either case, that is engaged in any activities which are competitive with the business of providing healthcare or other personnel on a temporary or permanent placement basis to hospitals, healthcare facilities, healthcare provider practice groups or other entities, clinical workforce management services, home healthcare services, and any and all business activities reasonably related thereto in which the Company or any of its divisions, affiliates or subsidiaries are then engaged.

(b) Non-Solicit. The Grantee agrees that during the Coverage Period, Grantee shall not solicit, attempt to solicit or endeavor to entice away from the

Company any person who, at any time during the term of Grantee's employment was a traveling nurse, physician, allied healthcare professional or other healthcare professional, employee, customer, client or supplier of the Company.

(c) Confidential and Proprietary Information. The Grantee agrees that Grantee will not, at any time make use of or divulge to any other person, firm or corporation any confidential or proprietary information concerning the business or policies of the Company or any of its divisions, affiliates or subsidiaries. For purposes of this Agreement, any confidential information shall constitute any information designated as confidential or proprietary by the Company or otherwise known by the Grantee to be confidential or proprietary information including, without limitation, customer information. Grantee acknowledges and agrees that for purposes of this Agreement, "customer information" includes without limitation, customer lists, all lists of professional personnel, names, addresses, phone numbers, contact persons, preferences, pricing arrangements, requirements and practices. Grantee's obligation under this Section 9(c) shall not apply to any information which (i) is known publicly; (ii) is in the public domain or hereafter enters the public domain without the fault of Grantee; or (iii) is hereafter disclosed to Grantee by a third party not under an obligation of confidence to the Company. Grantee agrees not to remove from the premises of the Company, except as an employee of the Company in pursuit of the business of the Company or except as specifically permitted in writing by the Company, any document or other object containing or reflecting any such confidential or proprietary information. Grantee recognizes that all such information, whether developed by the Grantee or by someone else, will be the sole exclusive property of the Company. Upon termination of employment, Grantee shall forthwith deliver to the Company all such confidential or proprietary information, including without limitation all lists of customers, pricing methods, financial structures, correspondence, accounts, records and any other documents, computer disks, computer programs, software, laptops, modems or property made or held by Grantee or und

(d) <u>Forfeiture for Violations</u>. If the Grantee shall at any time violate the provisions of Section 9(a), (b), or (c), the Grantee shall immediately forfeit his/her RSUs (whether vested or unvested) and any issuance of shares of Stock which occurs after (or within 6 months before) any such violation shall be void ab initio.

**10.** <u>Rights as Stockholder</u>. The Grantee or a transferee of the RSUs shall have no rights as a stockholder with respect to any share of Stock covered by the RSUs until the Grantee shall have become the holder of record of such share and no adjustment shall be made for dividends or distributions or other rights in respect of such share of Stock for which the record date is prior to the date upon which Grantee shall become the holder of record thereof.

# 11. Effect of Change in Control.

- (a) In the event of a Change in Control, notwithstanding any vesting schedule, 100% of the RSUs shall become immediately vested and the Company shall issue shares of Stock to the Grantee to settle the RSUs on the Settlement Date of such RSUs, in accordance with Section 4.
- (b) The obligations of the Company under this Agreement shall be binding upon any successor corporation or organization resulting from the merger, consolidation or other reorganization of the Company, or upon any successor corporation or organization succeeding to substantially all of the assets and business of the Company. The Company agrees that it will make appropriate provisions for the preservation of the Grantee's rights under this Agreement in any agreement or plan which it may enter into or adopt to effect any such merger, consolidation, reorganization or transfer of assets.
- 12. <u>Notice</u>. Every notice or other communication relating to this Agreement shall be in writing, and shall be mailed to or delivered to the party for whom it is intended at such address as may from time to time be designated by it in a notice mailed or delivered to the other party as herein provided, provided that, unless and until some other address be so designated, all notices or communications by the Grantee to the Company shall be mailed or delivered to the Company at its principal executive office, and all notices or communications by the Company to the Grantee may be given to the Grantee personally or may be mailed to Grantee at Grantee's address as recorded in the records of the Company.
- **13.** <u>No Right to Continued Employment</u>. This Agreement shall not be construed as giving the Grantee the right to be retained in the employ or service of the Company, a Subsidiary or an Affiliate. Further, the Company or an Affiliate may at any time dismiss the Grantee or discontinue any consulting relationship, free from any liability or any claim under this Agreement, except as otherwise expressly provided herein.
- **14.** <u>Binding Effect</u>. Subject to Section 7 hereof, this Agreement shall be binding upon the heirs, executors, administrators and successors of the parties hereto.
- **15.** <u>Amendment of Agreement</u>. The Committee may, to the extent consistent with the terms of this Agreement, waive any conditions or rights under, amend any terms of, or alter, suspend, discontinue, cancel or terminate, any portion of the RSUs heretofore granted, prospectively or retroactively; <u>provided</u> that any such waiver, amendment, alteration, suspension, discontinuance, cancellation or termination that would impair the rights of the Grantee in respect of any RSUs already granted shall not to that extent be effective without the consent of the Grantee.
- **16.** RSUs Subject to Plan and 2005 Amended and Restated Executive Nonqualified Excess Plan, as amended. By entering into this Agreement, the Grantee agrees and acknowledges that the Grantee has received and read a copy of the Plan and a copy of the Company's 2005 Amended and Restated Executive

Nonqualified Excess Plan. The RSUs are subject to the terms of both plans. The terms and provisions of the plans as they may be amended from time to time are hereby incorporated herein by reference. In the event of a conflict between any term or provision contained herein and a term or provision of either the Plan or the Company's 2005 Amended and Restated Executive Nonqualified Excess Plan, the applicable terms and provisions of the applicable plan will govern and prevail.

17. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the internal laws of the State of Delaware without regard to the principles of conflicts of law thereof, or principles of conflicts of laws of any other jurisdiction which could cause the application of the laws of any jurisdiction other than the State of Delaware.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

AMN HEALTHCARE SERVICES, INC.

By: /s/ Susan R. Salka

Name: Susan R. Salka Title: President and CEO

GRANTEE

By: /s/ Sean Ebner

Name: Sean Ebner

# **Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

The Board of Directors and Stockholders AMN Healthcare Services, Inc.:

We consent to the use of our reports dated March 9, 2012, with respect to the consolidated balance sheets of AMN Healthcare Services, Inc. (the Company) and its subsidiaries as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity and comprehensive loss, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2011, and the related financial statement schedule of valuation and qualifying accounts, and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011, incorporated herein by reference.

/s/ KPMG LLP

San Diego, California April 20, 2012