

**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): **January 5, 2016**

Blueprint Medicines Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-37359
(Commission File Number)

26-3632015
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

38 Sidney Street, Suite 200
Cambridge, Massachusetts
(Address of principal executive offices)

02139
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(617) 374-7580**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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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.

Appointment of Chief Business Officer

Effective January 5, 2016, Blueprint Medicines Corporation (the “Company”) appointed Kathryn Haviland as Chief Business Officer of the Company.

Prior to joining the Company, Ms. Haviland, age 39, served as Vice President, Rare Diseases and Oncology Program Leadership at Idera Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (“Idera Pharmaceuticals”) from April 2014 to December 2015. In this role, Ms. Haviland oversaw all aspects of the product development strategy for Idera Pharmaceuticals’ rare disease and oncology pipeline programs, including preclinical research, manufacturing and drug supply, regulatory affairs, clinical development and execution and commercial planning. Prior to joining Idera Pharmaceuticals, Ms. Haviland served as Head of Commercial Development at Sarepta Therapeutics, Inc. from June 2012 to April 2014 where she was responsible for product development and commercial planning and for cultivating relationships with key opinion leaders and patient advocacy groups. In addition, Ms. Haviland previously served as Executive Director of Commercial Development at PTC Therapeutics, Inc. from April 2007 to June 2012 and held corporate development and project management roles at Genzyme Corporation from July 2005 to April 2007. Ms. Haviland holds a B.A. from Wesleyan University with a double major in Biochemistry/Molecular Biology and Economics and an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School.

Ms. Haviland has no family relationship with any of the executive officers or directors of the Company. There are no arrangements or understandings between Ms. Haviland and any other person pursuant to which she was appointed as an officer of the Company.

Pursuant to the terms of her offer letter, Ms. Haviland is entitled to an annual base salary of \$340,000 and will receive an initial sign-on bonus of \$75,000 upon the commencement of her employment with the Company. Ms. Haviland is also eligible for an annual performance bonus targeted at 35% of her base salary (commencing with a pro-rated bonus for 2016). Pursuant to the terms of her offer letter, Ms. Haviland will also be granted a stock option, effective February 1, 2016, to purchase 100,000 shares of the Company’s common stock at an exercise price per share equal to the closing price of the Company’s common stock on the date of grant. The stock option will have a ten-year term and will vest as to 25% of the shares underlying the stock option on the first anniversary of the commencement of Ms. Haviland’s employment with the Company and as to an additional 1/48th of the shares underlying the stock option monthly thereafter. Ms. Haviland is eligible to participate in the employee benefit plans generally available to full-time employees, subject to the terms of those plans.

In connection with Ms. Haviland’s appointment as Chief Business Officer, Ms. Haviland will enter into the Company’s standard form of indemnification agreement, a copy of which was filed as Exhibit 10.12 to the Company’s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-202938) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 23, 2015. Pursuant to the terms of the indemnification agreement, the Company may be required, among other things, to indemnify Ms. Haviland for some expenses, including attorneys’ fees, judgments, fines and settlement amounts incurred by her in any action or proceeding arising out of her service as one of our officers. Ms. Haviland has also previously entered into a Non-Competition, Non-Solicitation, Confidentiality and Assignment Agreement that contains, among other things, non-competition and non-solicitation provisions that apply during the term of Ms. Haviland’s employment and for 12 months thereafter.

Appointment of Chief Medical Officer

In addition, the Board of Directors of the Company has promoted Anthony Boral, M.D., Ph.D., as Chief Medical Officer of the Company, effective immediately. Dr. Boral, age 52, previously served as the Company’s Senior Vice President, Clinical Development from February 2015 to January 2016. Prior to joining the Company, from November 2010 to February 2015 Dr. Boral worked at the Novartis Institutes for BioMedical Research (“Novartis”) as Executive Director, Oncology Clinical Research, serving as Deputy Site Head for the Cambridge, Massachusetts site since 2013. At Novartis, Dr. Boral was responsible for the clinical aspects of various first-in-human compounds, including most recently ceritinib, an anaplastic lymphoma kinase inhibitor, and Novartis’ immune checkpoint inhibitor programs. Prior to Novartis, from 2002 to 2010 Dr. Boral worked at Millennium Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (“Millennium”), a biotechnology company in Cambridge, Massachusetts, which is now a wholly-owned subsidiary of Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited, including as Vice President of Oncology Clinical Research from October 2007 to October 2010. At Millennium, Dr. Boral

was responsible for various aspects of the development of VELCADE®, a first-in-class cancer therapy now approved to treat multiple myeloma and non-Hodgkins lymphoma. Dr. Boral received his B.A. from Wesleyan University and an M.D. and a Ph.D. from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, in New York.

A copy of the Company's press release announcing Ms. Haviland's appointment as Chief Business Officer and Dr. Boral's promotion to Chief Medical Officer is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release issued by Blueprint Medicines Corporation on January 5, 2016

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.

BLUEPRINT MEDICINES CORPORATION

Date: January 6, 2016

By: /s/ Jeffrey W.

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Jeffrey W. Albers

Chief Executive Officer

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Blueprint Medicines Strengthens Executive Leadership Team

-- Kate Haviland Named Chief Business Officer --

-- Anthony (Andy) Boral, M.D., Ph.D. Promoted to Chief Medical Officer --

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 5, 2016 – Blueprint Medicines (NASDAQ: BPMC), a leader in discovering and developing highly selective investigational kinase medicines for patients with genomically defined diseases, today announced the appointment of Kathryn (Kate) Haviland as Chief Business Officer. Ms. Haviland will join the executive management team and will be responsible for Blueprint Medicines' corporate strategy, business development, corporate communications and investor relations functions.

"We are thrilled to welcome Kate to Blueprint Medicines. Kate brings an impressive breadth of experience and leadership within the biopharmaceutical industry. Her substantial background in business development, commercial and strategic planning and program management will be indispensable as we continue to explore the depth of our pipeline of highly selective investigational kinase medicines and discover additional applications for our novel target discovery engine," said Jeff Albers, Chief Executive Officer of Blueprint Medicines. "We look forward to her contributions as a member of our executive leadership team as we seek to build Blueprint Medicines into a fully integrated biopharmaceutical company capable of making a substantial difference for patients."

Ms. Haviland joins Blueprint Medicines from Idera Pharmaceuticals, where she served as Vice President, Rare Diseases and Oncology Program Leadership. In this role, she oversaw all aspects of the product development strategy for Idera Pharmaceuticals' rare disease and oncology pipeline programs, including preclinical research, manufacturing and drug supply, regulatory affairs, clinical development and execution, and commercial planning. Prior to joining Idera Pharmaceuticals, Ms. Haviland was Head of Commercial Development at Sarepta Therapeutics, where she was responsible for product development and commercial planning and for cultivating relationships with key opinion leaders and patient advocacy groups. In addition, Ms. Haviland previously served as Executive Director of Commercial Development at PTC Therapeutics and held corporate development and project management roles at Genzyme. She holds a B.A. from Wesleyan University with a double major in Biochemistry/Molecular Biology and Economics and an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School.

"It is a tremendous honor to join the team at Blueprint Medicines," said Ms. Haviland. "With two Phase 1 clinical trials underway, FDA authorization to begin a third clinical trial and multiple discovery efforts, Blueprint Medicines is poised to develop meaningful medicines for patients with genomically defined diseases, and I am excited to lend my expertise to further advance these efforts."

Blueprint Medicines also announced today that Anthony (Andy) Boral, M.D., Ph.D., has been promoted to Chief Medical Officer. Dr. Boral joined Blueprint Medicines in February 2015 as Senior Vice President, Clinical Development, and has been instrumental in building Blueprint Medicines clinical development organization and advancing BLU-554 and BLU-285 into Phase 1 clinical trials. Prior to joining Blueprint Medicines, Dr. Boral was Executive Director, Oncology Clinical Research at the Novartis Institutes for BioMedical Research, or Novartis, and also served as Deputy Site Head for Novartis's Cambridge, Massachusetts location. Prior to Novartis, he spent eight years at Millennium Pharmaceuticals in roles of

increasing responsibility, eventually serving as Vice President of Oncology Clinical Research. Dr. Boral holds his M.D. and Ph.D. in Molecular Genetics from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. He completed his training in Internal Medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital and his fellowship in Medical Oncology at the Dana Farber/Partners CancerCare program.

About Blueprint Medicines

Blueprint Medicines is developing a new generation of highly selective and potent investigational kinase medicines to improve the lives of patients with genomically defined diseases. The Company's approach is rooted in a deep understanding of the genetic blueprint of cancer and other diseases driven by the abnormal activation of kinases. Blueprint Medicines is advancing three programs in clinical development for subsets of patients with gastrointestinal stromal tumors, hepatocellular carcinoma and systemic mastocytosis, as well as multiple programs in research and preclinical development. For more information, please visit www.blueprintmedicines.com.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended, including, without limitation, statements regarding Blueprint Medicines' preclinical and clinical plans or programs, the potential for Blueprint Medicines to develop medicines that provide clinical benefit to patients and Blueprint Medicines' strategy and business plans. The words "may," "will," "could," "would," "should," "expect," "plan," "anticipate," "intend," "believe," "estimate," "predict," "project," "potential," "continue," "target" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words. Any forward-looking statements in this press release are based on management's current expectations and beliefs and are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and important factors that may cause actual events or results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by any forward-looking statements contained in this press release, including, without limitation, risks and uncertainties related to the delay of any current or planned clinical trials or the development of Blueprint Medicines' drug product candidates, including BLU-285 and BLU-554; Blueprint Medicines' advancement of multiple early-stage efforts; Blueprint Medicines' ability to successfully demonstrate the efficacy and safety of its drug product candidates; the preclinical and clinical results for Blueprint Medicines' drug product candidates, which may not support further development of such drug product candidates; and actions of regulatory agencies, which may affect the initiation, timing and progress of clinical trials. These and other risks and uncertainties are described in greater detail in the section entitled "Risk Factors" in Blueprint Medicines' Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2015, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on November 9, 2015, and other filings that Blueprint Medicines may make with the SEC in the future. Any forward-looking statements contained in this press release represent Blueprint Medicines' views only as of the date hereof and should not be relied upon as representing its views as of any subsequent date. Blueprint Medicines explicitly disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements.

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