

ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
Form 8-K  
September 27, 2016  
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): September 27, 2016**

**ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE**                      **001-35068**                      **41-2193603**  
(State of incorporation) (Commission File No.) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

**351 Galveston Drive**

**Redwood City, CA 94063**

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(650) 216-3500**

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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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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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))

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**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

Howie Rosen, chief executive officer of AcelRx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the “Company” or “AcelRx”), will be presenting at the Ladenburg Thalmann 2016 Healthcare Conference and will utilize a slide presentation. The slide presentation, together with a slide setting forth certain cautionary language intended to qualify the forward-looking statements included in the slide presentation, are furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and are incorporated herein by reference. The slide presentation will also be made available in the “Investor Relations” section of AcelRx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.’s website, located at [www.acerlx.com](http://www.acerlx.com).

The information contained in this Item 7.01 and in the accompanying Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report shall be deemed to be “furnished” and shall not be deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section or Sections 11 and 12(a)(2) of the Securities Act. The information contained in this Item 7.01 and in the accompanying Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act made by the Company, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On September 27, 2016, the Company issued a press release entitled “AcelRx Initiates Phase 3 Study of Zalvis® (sufentanil sublingual tablet system) in Patients with Moderate-to-Severe Acute Post-Operative Pain” a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this Report.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

**Exhibit**

**Description**  
**Number**

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| 99.1 | Slide presentation entitled, "AcelRx Pharmaceuticals Corporate Presentation September 2016" |
| 99.2 | Press release dated September 27, 2016  |
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**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.

Date: September 27, 2016

ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

By: /s/ Jane Wright-Mitchell  
Jane Wright-Mitchell  
Chief Legal Officer

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