## 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): December 31, 2020

# **ABBVIE INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Delaware** (State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **001-35565** (Commission File Number) **32-0375147** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1 North Waukegan Road North Chicago, Illinois 60064-6400 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (847) 932-7900

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))

#### Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$0.01 Par Value	ABBV	New York Stock Exchange
		Chicago Stock Exchange
0.500% Senior Notes due 2021	ABBV21C	New York Stock Exchange
1.500% Senior Notes due 2023	ABBV23B	New York Stock Exchange
1.375% Senior Notes due 2024	ABBV24	New York Stock Exchange
1.250% Senior Notes due 2024	ABBV24B	New York Stock Exchange
0.750% Senior Notes due 2027	ABBV27	New York Stock Exchange
2.125% Senior Notes due 2028	ABBV28	New York Stock Exchange
2.625% Senior Notes due 2028	ABBV28B	New York Stock Exchange
2.125% Senior Notes due 2029	ABBV29	New York Stock Exchange
1.250% Senior Notes due 2031	ABBV31	New York Stock Exchange

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).

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

If 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 revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

# Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(e) The agreements regarding change in control by and between AbbVie and its named executive officers have been renewed through December 31, 2022 in accordance with the agreement terms. There were no other changes to the agreements. The form of change in control agreement was filed as Exhibit 10.13 of Amendment No. 5 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 10 filed on November 16, 2012.

## SIGNATURE

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: January 6, 2021

### ABBVIE INC.

By: /s/ Timothy J. Richmond

Name: Timothy J. Richmond

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Human Resources Officer