# **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 17, 2021

## Avenue Therapeutics, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-38114 (Commission File Number)

47-4113275 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1140 Avenue of the Americas, Floor 9 New York, New York 10036 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

### (781) 652-4500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

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

Title of Class	Trading Symbol(s)	Exchange Name
Common Stock	ATXI	Nasdaq Capital Market
Indicate by check mark whether the registrat the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.3)		e 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of
Emerging growth company $\boxtimes$		
If an emerging growth company, indicate by accounting standards provided pursuant to S	E	he extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial

### Item 8.01. Other Events.

Title of Class

On September 17, 2021, Avenue Therapeutics, Inc. ("Avenue"), received an acknowledgement letter from the Office of New Drugs of the Food and Drug Administration regarding Avenue's August 31, 2021 Formal Dispute Resolution Request ("FDRR") concerning complete response letters issued for the New Drug Application ("NDA") for intravenous ("IV") tramadol. The letter stated that a response will be provided by October 28, 2021.

The regulatory history of the NDA for IV tramadol, the anticipated FDRR process and other pertinent information regarding these topics were previously disclosed.

### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

> Avenue Therapeutics, Inc. (Registrant)

Date: September 21, 2021

By: /s/ Lucy Lu, M.D.

Lucy Lu, M.D. President and Chief Executive Officer