

HELMER RICHARD A MD

Form 4

March 18, 2005

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HELMER RICHARD A MD

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
MOLINA HEALTHCARE INC
[MOH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2277 FAIR OAKS BLVD., SUITE
440

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/17/2005

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
V.P. and Chief Medical Officer

(Street)
SACRAMENTO, CA 95825

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock						D	1,842
Common Stock	03/17/2005		M		5,000	A	\$ 25.33 6,842
Common Stock	03/17/2005		S		5,000	D	\$ 49.2138 1,842

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.33	03/17/2005		M	5,000	02/10/2005 ⁽²⁾ 02/10/2014	Common Stock 5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
HELMER RICHARD A MD 2277 FAIR OAKS BLVD., SUITE 440 SACRAMENTO, CA 95825	Director 10% Owner Officer Other V.P. and Chief Medical Officer

Signatures

Richard A. Helmer, M.D., by Jeff D. Barlow,
Attorney-in-Fact.

03/18/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Represents the weighted average sales price with respect to six sales on March 17, 2005.

(2) The options vest one-third on each of 2/10/2005, 2/10/2006, and 2/10/2007.

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