

MAGELLAN HEALTH SERVICES INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Petrella Russell C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 MAGELLAN HEALTH SERVICES INC [MGLN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 55 NOD ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 10/01/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President, Behavioral Health

AVON, CT 06001

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	
Ordinary Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	10/01/2008		M ⁽¹⁾		2,016	A	\$ 0 ⁽²⁾ 3,988	D
Ordinary Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	10/01/2008		F ⁽³⁾		740	D	\$ 40.68 3,248	D

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(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 Acquired (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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 ⁽²⁾	10/01/2008		M ⁽¹⁾	2,016	10/01/2008 ⁽⁴⁾	Common Stock	2,016

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Petrella Russell C 55 NOD ROAD AVON, CT 06001			President, Behavioral Health	

Signatures

/s/ Russell
Petrella

10/02/2008

**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) This transaction was effectuated by a one-third vesting of the Restricted Stock Unit Award granted on 10/01/2007. Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Magellan common stock.
- (2) No price was applicable to the acquisition of this security.
- (3) Represents the portion of shares which the Company determined to settle in cash to pay applicable tax withholding.
- (4) Not applicable.
- (5) The remainder of 4,031 restricted stock units shall vest in one-half increments on October 1, of each of 2010 and 2011.

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