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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement ADCARE HEALTH SYSTEMS INC [ADK] A Shelton Clarence A III (Month/Day/Year) 11/19/2010 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1120 SHANNON LYNN (Check all applicable) **SHORES** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Senior Vice President Person TALLEDEGA, ALÂ 35160 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip) **Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) 3. 4. Ownership O Form: (I Direct (D)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	(Instr. 5)

						(Instr. 5)	
Options	11/19/2010(1)	11/19/2015	Common Stock	25,000	\$ 4.13	D	Â
Options	06/03/2012(2)	06/03/2016	Common	25,000	\$ 5.75	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Shelton Clarence A III 1120 SHANNON LYNN SHORES TALLEDEGA, AL 35160	Â	Â	Senior Vice President	Â		

Signatures

Carol Groeber for Clarence Shelton by power of attorney 08/01/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Options vest over a three year period, 1/3 immediately, 1/3 in 2011 and 1/3 in 2012. They are not exercisable until vested.
- (2) Options vest over a three year period, 1/3 in 2012, 1/3 in 2013 and 1/3 in 2014. They are not exercisable until vested.

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