

MOLINA HEALTHCARE INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 SZABO JOHN P JR

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 BOULEVARD,  
 SUITE 400

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/20/2006

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

(Street)  
 SACRAMENTO, CA 95825

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Price (D)		
Common Stock					1,000	I	By spouse (1)
Common Stock	09/20/2006		S		\$ 2,250 D 36.8	13,750 (2)	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
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.88					04/27/2006 <sup>(3)</sup> 04/27/2015	Common Stock	10,000

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SZABO JOHN P JR  
2277 FAIR OAKS BOULEVARD, SUITE 400 X  
SACRAMENTO, CA 95825

## Signatures

John P. Szabo, Jr., by Jeff D. Barlow,  
Attorney-in-Fact.

09/20/2006

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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) The 1,000 shares are held by the self-directed IRA of the reporting person's spouse.

(2) 3,750 of the shares are unvested. They will vest in increments of 1,250 shares on each of September 30, 2006, December 31, 2006, and March 31, 2007.

(3) The options vest in one-third increments on each of April 27, 2006, April 27, 2007, and April 27, 2008.

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