

PLATO JAMES N
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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 *
PLATO JAMES N

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1200 S WHITE CHAPEL
BLVD, SUITE A
(Street)

SOUTHLAKE, TX 76092

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HealthMarkets, Inc. [N/A]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/13/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director
____ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Division Manager

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 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)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. P Der
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 26.49	03/13/2008	A	868 <u>(1)</u>					06/26/2007	06/26/2016	Class A-1 Common Stock	868

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PLATO JAMES N 1200 S WHITE CHAPEL BLVD SUITE A SOUTHLAKE, TX 76092				Division Manager

Signatures

James N. Plato By /s/ Peggy G. Simpson, POA
Date: 03/17/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
 - ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- On June 26, 2006, the Compensation Committee of the Issuer approved a grant to the reporting person of an option to purchase 6,950 shares of Class A-1 Common Stock, which would vest based on the Issuer's satisfaction of certain performance criteria, as follows: (i) 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date, (ii) 25% on the second anniversary of the grant date, (iii) 17% on the third anniversary of the grant date, (iv) 17% on the fourth anniversary of the grant date, and (v) the remaining 16% on the fifth anniversary of the grant date. On March 13, 2008, the Issuer determined that the performance criteria for the second 25% had been met to the extent of 50%, or 12.5%, which will result in vesting of the option as to 868 shares on June 26, 2008, subject to the reporting person's continued employment as of such date.

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