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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement KINDRED HEALTHCARE, INC [KND] SHORT JOHN H (Month/Day/Year) 06/01/2011 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 4799 BALSAM DRIVE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner _X__ Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Officer Other Person PARK CITY, UTÂ 84098 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock $74,888 \frac{(1)}{}$ Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) 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 (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	f (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

Shares

(I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHORT JOHN H

4799 BALSAM DRIVE X PARK CITY, UTÂ 84098

Signatures

Joseph L. Landenwich, by Power of Attorney

06/09/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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Shares acquired pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Merger between RehabCare Group, Inc. ("RehabCare") and Kindred Healthcare, Inc. ("Kindred"), pursuant to which RehabCare was merged with and into Kindred. As part of this merger, each issued and outstanding

(1) share of RehabCare common stock (other than shares owned by Kindred or Rehabcare) were converted into the right to receive \$26.00 per share in cash and 0.471 shares of Kindred common stock. Prior to the effective time of the merger, Dr. Short directly owned 158,998 shares of RehabCare common stock.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List

Exhibit 24-Power of Attorney

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