

HENNING EDWARD J  
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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 \*  
**HENNING EDWARD J**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**HCP, INC. [HCP]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**3760 KILROY AIRPORT WAY,  
 SUITE 300**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**02/16/2012**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Executive Vice President**

**LONG BEACH, CA 90806**

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	02/16/2012		M		20,000	A	\$ 23.34 174,993
Common Stock	02/16/2012		S		20,000	D	\$ 40.263 (1) 154,993
Common Stock	02/17/2012		M		20,000	A	\$ 23.34 174,993
Common Stock	02/17/2012		S		20,000	D	\$ (2) 40.3814 154,993

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 23.34	02/16/2012		M	20,000	<sup>(3)</sup> 01/30/2019	Common Stock	20,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 23.34	02/17/2012		M	20,000	<sup>(3)</sup> 01/30/2019	Common Stock	20,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HENNING EDWARD J 3760 KILROY AIRPORT WAY, SUITE 300 LONG BEACH, CA 90806			Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

Eric J. Stambol, Power of Attorney for Edward J. Henning  
02/21/2012

\_\_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 price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at sale prices ranging from \$40.25 to \$40.28. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the SEC, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote 1 and 2 to this Form 4.

(2) Represents the weighted average sale price ranging from \$40.325 to \$40.445.

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(3) Options vest 20% annually commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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