

GALLAGHER PAUL F  
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**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
GALLAGHER PAUL F

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

LONG BEACH, CA 90806

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/25/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

**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 or (D) Price		
Common Stock	01/25/2012		F		1,738 (1) \$ 41.35	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2012		M(2)		26,814 A \$ 31.95	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2012		S(2)		26,814 D \$ 40.65	D	
Common Stock	01/26/2012		F		1,330 (1) \$ 42.03	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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 31.95	01/25/2012		M <sup>(2)</sup>	26,814	<sup>(3)</sup> 01/25/2018	Common Stock	26,814

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

Eric J. Stambol, Power of Attorney for Paul F. Gallagher

01/27/2012

\_\_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) Represents the amount of shares of common stock withheld to satisfy applicable tax obligations in connection with the vesting schedule of restricted stock units.
- (2) The option exercise and stock sale reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on May 26, 2011.
- (3) Shares vest annually at a rate of 20% per year commencing on the first anniversary of the January 25, 2008 grant date.

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