GALLAGHER PAUL F

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GALLAGHER PAUL F			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HCP, INC. [HCP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
3760 KILROY AIRPORT WAY,		WAY,	01/25/2012	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
SUITE 300				Executive Vice President			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
LONG BEACH, CA 90806				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Dispositive Securities Acquired Se							osed 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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V Amount		(A) or (D) Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	01/25/2012		F	1,738 (1)	D	\$ 41.35	206,047	D			
Common Stock	01/25/2012		M(2)	26,814	A	\$ 31.95	232,861	D			
Common Stock	01/25/2012		S(2)	26,814	D	\$ 40.65	206,047	D			
Common Stock	01/26/2012		F	1,330 (1)	D	\$ 42.03	204,717	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 Owner	ı
(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)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 31.95	01/25/2012		M(2)		26,814	<u>(3)</u>	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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