

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

(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)  
**04/25/2012**

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)  
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 \_\_\_\_ 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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	04/25/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>		31,132	A	\$ 23.34
					186,125		
Common Stock	04/25/2012		S <sup>(1)</sup>		31,132	D	\$ 40.75
					154,993		
Common Stock	04/26/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>		2,605	A	\$ 23.34
					157,598		
Common Stock	04/26/2012		S <sup>(1)</sup>		2,605	D	\$ 41.0804
							<u>(2)</u>

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 23.34	04/25/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>	31,132	<sup>(3)</sup>	01/30/2019	Common Stock	31,132
Employee Stock Option	\$ 23.34	04/26/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>	2,605	<sup>(3)</sup>	01/30/2019	Common Stock	2,605

## 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

04/26/2012

\*\*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 option exercises and stock sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on March 2, 2012.
- (2) Represents the average sale price ranging from \$40.75 to \$41.35.
- (3) Options vest 20% annually beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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