

AMERICAN HEALTHWAYS INC
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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 *
 CIGARRAN THOMAS G

(Last) (First) (Middle)

AMERICAN HEALTHWAYS, INC., 3841 GREEN HILLS VILLAGE DRIVE

(Street)

NASHVILLE, TN 37215

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AMERICAN HEALTHWAYS INC [AMHC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/15/2005

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
Common Stock	04/15/2005		J	(A) or (D) A	254,283 (1) \$ 35.45	D	Held in Thomas G. Cigarran Annuity Trust
Common Stock					402,062 (1)	I	Held in 401(k)
Common Stock					3,895	I	Held in 401(k)

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 Derivatives 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CIGARRAN THOMAS G
AMERICAN HEALTHWAYS, INC.
3841 GREEN HILLS VILLAGE DRIVE
NASHVILLE, TN 37215

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Signatures

/s/ Thomas G. Cigarran 04/18/2005

**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).

Since the reporting owner's previous report, on May 20, 2004 the reporting owner transferred to himself, as trustee of a grantor retained annuity trust (GRAT), 656,345 shares of the issuer's common stock that were previously held directly. On April 15, 2005, the reporting owner substituted assets of equal value into the GRAT in exchange for 254,283 shares. As such, although the reporting owner's total ownership did not change, these 254,283 securities are now directly owned by the reporting owner rather than indirectly owned through the GRAT.

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