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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Mirt Michae	•	ting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HealthSpring, Inc. [HS]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
9009 CAROTHERS PARKWAY, SUITE 501 (Street)			(Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2011	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			4. If Amendment, Date Original				
FRANKLIN, TN 37067			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	cquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			

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1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3.	4. Securit		•	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect	
(Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Tear)	any				Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial		
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned Following	(D) or Indirect (I)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					(A)		Reported Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	12/15/2011		M	15,000	A	\$ 17.12	62,867	D		
Common Stock	12/15/2011		S	8,300	D	\$ 54.5	54,567	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Expiration Date ecurities (Month/Day/Year) acquired (A) r Disposed of D) Instr. 3, 4,		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 (right to buy)	\$ 17.12	12/15/2011		M	15,000	<u>(1)</u>	11/05/2018	Common Stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Mirt Michael G

9009 CAROTHERS PARKWAY President

SUITE 501

FRANKLIN, TN 37067

Signatures

/s/ J. Gentry Barden, Attorney-in-Fact

**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).
- The option, initially representing a right to purchase a total of 175,000 shares, became exercisable (or will become exercisable) as follows: 25% on November 1, 2009; 25% on November 1, 2010; 25% on November 1, 2011; and 25% on November 1, 2012.

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