

FITZGERALD JAMES A JR  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
FITZGERALD JAMES A JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
ONE PARK PLAZA  
(Street)

NASHVILLE, TN 37203

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
HCA INC/TN [(HCA)]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/27/2005

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)  
SVP-Supply Chain Operations

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	01/27/2005		A		7,500 (1)	A	\$ 0 21,639 D
Common Stock	01/29/2005		F		593	D	\$ 44.62 21,046 D
Common Stock							3,483 (2) I By 401(k)
Common Stock							940 I By Spouse

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)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 44.74	01/27/2005		A <sup>(3)</sup>	7,500	<sup>(4)</sup> 01/27/2015	Common Stock 7,500

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FITZGERALD JAMES A JR ONE PARK PLAZA NASHVILLE, TN 37203			SVP-Supply Chain Operations	

**Signatures**

By: /s/ John M. Franck II, Attorney-in-Fact 01/31/2005

         \*\*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).
- (1) Restricted shares granted pursuant to the HCA 2000 Equity Incentive Plan which includes tax withholding rights. One-third of the restricted shares vest on each of January 27, 2008, January 27, 2009 and January 27, 2010.
- (2) Between October 1 and December 31, 2004, the reporting person acquired 8 shares of HCA common stock under the HCA 401(k) Plan. Plan share amounts reflected are an estimate based on unit accounting and a December 31, 2004 value of \$39.96 per share.
- (3) Right to buy pursuant to the HCA 2000 Equity Incentive Plan which includes tax withholding rights.
- (4) The options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on January 27, 2006.

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