

SHAPIRO SHEILA

Form 4

January 04, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SHAPIRO SHEILA

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
MOLINA HEALTHCARE INC
[MOH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2277 FAIR OAKS
BOULEVARD, SUITE 440

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/30/2005

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Exec. VP, Shared Services

SACRAMENTO, CA 95825

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock					12,000 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock	12/30/2005		J ⁽²⁾		564	A	\$ 26.64
					12,564	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. 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)	8.
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 44.29					07/01/2006 ⁽³⁾ 07/01/2015	Common Stock	18,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
SHAPIRO SHEILA 2277 FAIR OAKS BOULEVARD SUITE 440 SACRAMENTO, CA 95825	Exec. VP, Shared Services

Signatures

Sheila K. Shapiro, by Jeff D. Barlow,
Attorney-in-Fact. 01/04/2006

____Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) 4,000 of the shares are fully vested. The balance of 8,000 shares represents restricted stock granted under the Molina Healthcare, Inc. 2002 Equity Incentive Plan, with one-half of the shares to vest on each of 12/6/2006 and 12/6/2007.
- (2) The shares were acquired under the Molina Healthcare, Inc. 2002 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) Grant of options under the Molina Healthcare, Inc. 2002 Equity Incentive Plan, with one-third of the options to vest on each of 7/1/2006, 7/1/2007, and 7/1/2008.

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