FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Howard Christopher L						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Acadia Healthcare Company, Inc. [ ACHC ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director X 10% Owner  V Officer (give title Other (spe					
(Last) (First) (Middle) ACADIA HEALTHCARE COMPANY, INC. 830 CRESCENT CENTRE DRIVE, SUITE 610						Date o		Trans	saction (Mo	onth/C	ay/Year)			below)	(give title VP, GC a	nd Se	Other (s below) ecretary	specify	
(Street) FRANKLIN TN 37067  (City) (State) (Zip)					4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
Table I - Non-Deriv  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Trans. Date (Month/I					nsactio	n 'ear)	2A. Deem Execution if any	A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. 4. Sec Transaction Dispo Code (Instr. 5)		f, or Bei	ed (A) or	5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s ally ollowing	Form	: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
Common Stock 03/29					<b>29/20</b> 1	13			Code	v	Amount 5,400 <sup>(</sup>	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)		D	(Instr. 4)	
			Table II - I (								osed of, onvertib		-	Owned		<u> </u>			
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	ate,	Code		of		Expiration	6. Date Exercisak Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		of Securi		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e s ally	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$29.39	03/29/2013			A		19,000		03/29/2014	(2)	03/29/2023	Common Stock	19,000	\$0	19,00	00	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The shares will vest over a 4-year period in equal yearly installments beginning March 29, 2014.
- 2. The options will vest over a 4-year period in equal yearly installments beginning March 29, 2014.

## Remarks:

In connection with the merger of Acadia Healthcare Company, Inc. ("Acadia") and PHC, Inc., the reporting person entered into a stockholders agreement with Acadia and certain other stockholders. As a result, he may deemed to be a part of a "group" with such other stockholders. To the extent the reporting person is deemed a member of a group, he disclaims beneficial ownership of shares owned by other members of the

/s/ Christopher L. Howard

04/02/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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).

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