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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Acadia Healthcare Company, Inc. [ACHC] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
| <u>Eckmann Bradley M.</u> | | | <u></u> | X | Director | 10% Owner | | | |
| | (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/23/2012 | | Officer (give title below) | Other (specify below) | | | | | |
| 300 N. LASALLE STREET, SUITE 4900 | | LE 4900 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indiv Line) | vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable | | | | |
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| (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) | Transaction Code (Instr. | | | | | Securities Beneficially | (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--|---|--------------------------|---|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (1130.4) |
| Common Stock | 05/23/2012 | | A | | 6,150 ⁽¹⁾ | A | \$ 0 | 6,150 | D | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 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. Transa Code (8) | | of | | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/) | 7. Title Amour Securi Under Deriva Securi and 4) | nt of ties lying tive ty (Instr. 3 | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares will vest in three equal annual installments beginning May 23, 2013.

/s/ Christopher L. Howard, by power of attorney

05/25/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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