WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC. Form 3 August 05, 2008 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Person <u>*</u> White W			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC. [WCG]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	07/31/2008	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
C/O WELLO PLANS, INO HENDERSO	C., 8725 ON ROAD (Street)		(Check all app Director XOfficer (give title below) (spe Chief Accountin		<pre>10% 0 10% 0</pre>	Owner ow)	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person 	
TAMPA,Â	FLA 33634	Ļ						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - I	Non-Derivat	ive Securiti	es Be	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	rity		2. Amount of Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	*	
Common St	ock		12,432		D	Â		
Reminder: Rep owned directly			ach class of securities benefic	cially S	EC 1473 (7-02)		
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	(Instr. 5)
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	
			Derivative	Security:	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	(1)	02/06/2014	Common Stock	1,017	\$ 8.33	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	(2)	11/03/2014	Common Stock	2,188	\$ 23.5	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	(3)	07/27/2012	Common Stock	3,280	\$ 36.45	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	(4)	03/13/2013	Common Stock	4,000	\$ 41.74	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	(5)	07/27/2013	Common Stock	8,056	\$ 50.16	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	(6)	09/13/2011	Common Stock	8,220	\$ 85.53	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	(7)	11/28/2012	Common Stock	40,000	\$ 45.25	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	(8)	03/06/2015	Common Stock	13,636	\$ 43.45	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
White William Snowden C/O WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC. 8725 HENDERSON ROAD TAMPA, FL 33634	Â	Â	Chief Accounting Officer	Â		
Signatures						

/s/ Michael Haber, Attorney-in-fact 08/05/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Options are currently vested.
- (2) 1,771 options are currently vested, 104 options vest on August 31, 2008, 104 options vest on September 30, 2008, 104 options vest on October 31, 2008 and 105 options vest on November 30, 2008.
- (3) 1,640 options are currently vested, 820 options vest on July 27, 2009 and 820 options vest on July 27, 2010.
- (4) 1,000 options are currently vested, 1,000 options vest on March 13, 2009, 1,000 options vest on March 13, 2010 and 1,000 options vest on March 13, 2011.

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- (5) 3,222 options are currently vested, 1,611 options vest on July 27, 2009, 1,611 options vest on July 27, 2010 and 1,612 options vest on July 27, 2011.
- (6) 4,785 options are currently vested, 1,145 options vest on March 13, 2009, 1,145 options vest on March 13, 2010 and 1,145 options vest on March 13, 2011.
- (7) 40,000 options vest on November 28, 2009.
- (8) 3,409 options vest on March 6, 2009, 3,409 options vest on March 6, 2010, 3,409 options vest on March 6, 2011 and 3,409 options vest on March 6, 2012.

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