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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Cooper Christina

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS,

INC. [WCG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 09/15/2012

X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

C/O WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC., 8725 HENDERSON ROAD, REN. 1

(Street)

(State)

09/15/2012

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

President, FL & HI Division

Applicable Line)

Director

(Zip)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

TAMPA, FL 33634

(City)

Stock

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V (D) Price Amount Common 09/15/2012 09/17/2012  $M^{(1)}$ 798 \$0 8.947 D Α Stock Common 212 (2) 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)		4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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. Price Deriva Securit (Instr. :
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	09/15/2012	09/17/2012	M	798	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	798	\$ (

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Cooper Christina C/O WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC. 8725 HENDERSON ROAD, REN. 1 TAMPA, FL 33634

President, FL & HI Division

# **Signatures**

/s/ Michael Haber,

Attorney-in-fact 09/18/2012

\*\*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) Vesting of restricted stock units granted to the Reporting Person on September 15, 2009.
- (2) Forfeiture of shares to satisfy tax obligations related to restricted stock units that were granted to the Reporting Person on September 15, 2009 and vested on September 15, 2012.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of WCG common stock.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest in approximately equal installments on each of the first through fourth anniversaries of September 15, 2009. Vested shares will be delivered to the Reporting Person upon vest.

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