

WELLPOINT INC

Form 4

April 06, 2005

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 *
NUSSBAUM SAMUEL R MD

(Last) (First) (Middle)

120 MONUMENT CIRCLE

(Street)

INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
WELLPOINT INC [WLP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/04/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

EVP

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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. 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	04/04/2005		F	3,000 D	\$ 53,669.8347 124.65 (1)	D	
Common Stock	04/04/2005		A	5,000 (2) A	\$ 58,669.8347 126.72	D	

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

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(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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 126.72	04/04/2005		A	40,000	10/04/2005 ⁽³⁾ 04/04/2015	Common Stock 40,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
NUSSBAUM SAMUEL R MD 120 MONUMENT CIRCLE INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204	Director 10% Owner Officer Other EVP

Signatures

Nancy Purcell,
Attorney-in-fact
04/06/2005
**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) Includes 222,222 shares acquired under the WellPoint, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) Represents restricted shares. Restrictions lapse in three equal annual installments on April 4, 2006, 2007 and 2008.
- (3) Exercisable in six equal installments on 10/4/05, 4/4/06, 10/4/06, 4/4/07, 10/4/07 and 4/4/08.

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