

Trodden Timothy
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Trodden Timothy

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC. [WCG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/09/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
SVP, Chief HR Officer

C/O WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC., 8735 HENDERSON ROAD

(Street)

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

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

TAMPA, FL 33634

(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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired 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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	01/09/2018		M ⁽¹⁾	648 A	\$ 0	648	D
Common Stock	01/09/2018		F	207 ⁽²⁾ D	\$ 206.85	441	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)	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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	01/09/2018		M	648	(4) (4)	Common Stock	648 \$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Trodden Timothy C/O WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC. 8735 HENDERSON ROAD TAMPA, FL 33634			SVP, Chief HR Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Michael Haber,
Attorney-in-fact
01/11/2018

**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 January 9, 2017.
- (2) Forfeiture of shares to satisfy tax obligations related to restricted stock units that were granted to the Reporting Person on January 9, 2017 and vested on January 9, 2018.
- (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 January 9, 2018, January 9, 2019, January 9, 2020 and January 9, 2021. Vested shares are delivered to the Reporting Person upon vest.

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