

MCCARTNEY JOSEPH F
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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 *
 MCCARTNEY JOSEPH F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 HEALTHCARE SERVICES GROUP INC [HCSG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 3220 TILLMAN DRIVE, SUITE 300
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/05/2009

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Vice President

BENSALEM, PA 19020

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 (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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common stock				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price	69,392 ⁽¹⁾	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)

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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. 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. Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom stock	\$ 0 ⁽²⁾	01/13/2009		A	315 ⁽³⁾	01/13/2009 ⁽⁴⁾	common stock	315
Stock option	\$ 15.58	01/05/2009		A	2,000	01/05/2010 01/05/2019	common stock	2,000
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Stock option	\$ 15.58	01/05/2009		A	2,000	01/05/2014 01/05/2019	common stock	2,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MCCARTNEY JOSEPH F 3220 TILLMAN DRIVE SUITE 300 BENSALEM, PA 19020	X		Vice President	

Signatures

/s/ Joseph F. McCartney 01/13/2009

**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 960 shares issued in 2009 pursuant to 2008 Employee Stock Purchase Plan payments
- (2) SHARES ISSUED AT CONVERSION RATE OF 1 FOR 1

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- (3) ACQUIRED PURSANT TO AN ISSUER CONTRIBUTION UNDER THE HEALTHCARE SERVICES GROUP, INC DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN
- (4) SHARES OF PHANTOM STOCK ARE PAYABLE IN KIND FOLLOWING TERMINATION OF THE REPORTING PERSON'S EMPLOYMENT WITH ISSUER

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