FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person (Check all applicable) AMN HEALTHCARE SERVICES INC [ Henderson Ralph Director AHS ] Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) President, Nurse Staffing Div. 01/07/2009 12400 HIGH BLUFF DRIVE 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) (Street) Form filed by One Reporting Person **SAN DIEGO** CA 92130 Form filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (qiZ) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 6. Ownership 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Form: Direct
(D) or Indirect Indirect Beneficial Execution Date Transaction Securitie (Month/Day/Year) Beneficially if any Code (Instr. 5) Owned Following (Month/Day/Year) 8) (I) (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) (A) or (D) Transaction(s) Price Code Amount (Instr. 3 and 4)

## 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. 5. Number of Code (Instr. 8) 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Units	(1)							(2)	(3)	Common Stock	18,791		18,791	D	
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$16.18							(4)	04/08/2018	Common Stock	20,777		20,777	D	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)							(6)	(3)	Common Stock	19,910		19,910	D	
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$17.86							(5)	09/04/2017	Common Stock	22,014		22,014	D	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	01/07/2009		A			21,967	(7)	(3)	Common Stock	21,967	(1)	21,967	D	
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$8.71	01/07/2009		A			37,782	(8)	01/07/2019	Common Stock	37,782	\$8.71	37,782	D	

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The Restricted Stock Units were granted pursuant to the AMN Healthcare Equity Plan. Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock
- 2. The Restricted Stock Units were granted on April 8, 2008 and vest on the third anniversary of the grant date, provided, however, the Restricted Stock Units shall vest on an accelerated basis thirteen months after the grant date, in the incremental amount of 33% should the Company achieve or exceed specified earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) target for the previous fiscal year and on the second anniversary of the grant date in the amount of 34% should the Company achieve or exceed EBITDA target for the previous fiscal year. The settlement date of the Restricted Stock Units shall be the vesting date unless the grantee otherwise elects under the terms of the Company's 2005 Amended and Restated Executive Nonqualified Excess Plan.
- 3. Restricted Stock Units do not have an expiration date.
- 4. The Stock Appreciation Rights were granted on April 8, 2008 pursuant to the AMN Healthcare Equity Plan. The Stock Appreciation Rights vest over three years on the anniversary of the date of the grant in increments of 33%, 34% and 33% respectively.
- 5. The Stock Appreciation Rights were granted on September 4, 2007 pursuant to the AMN Healthcare Equity Plan. The Stock Appreciation Rights vest over three years on the anniversary of the date of the grant in increments of 33%, 34% and 33% respectively.
- 6. The Restricted Stock Units were granted on September 4, 2007 and vest on the third anniversary of the grant date, provided, however, the Restricted Stock Units shall vest on an accelerated basis thirteen months after the grant date, in the incremental amount of 33% should the Company achieve or exceed specified earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) target for the previous fiscal year and on the second anniversary of the grant date in the amount of 34% should the Company achieve or exceed EBITDA target for the previous fiscal year. The settlement date of the Restricted Stock Units shall be the vesting date unless the grantee owtherwise elects under the terms of the Company's 2005 Amended and Restated Executive Nonqualified Excess Plan.
- 7. The Restricted Stock Units were granted on January 7, 2009 and vest on the third anniversary of the grant date, provided, however, the Restricted Stock Units shall vest on an accelerated basis thirteen months after the grant date, in the incremental amount of 33% should the Company achieve or exceed specified earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) target for the previous fiscal year and on the second anniversary of the grant date in the amount of 34% should the Company achieve or exceed EBITDA target for the previous fiscal year. The settlement date of the Restricted Stock Units shall be the vesting date unless the grantee otherwise elects under the terms of the Company's 2005 Amended and Restated Eexcutive Nonqualified Excess Plan.
- 8. The Stock Appreciation Rights were granted on January 7, 2009 pursuant to the AMN Healthcare Equity Plan. The Stock Appreciation Rights vest over three years on the anniversary of the date of the grant in increments of 33%, 34% and 33% respectively.

Ralph Henderson

01/08/2009

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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