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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement HealthMarkets, Inc. [N/A] WISE ALLEN F (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 9151 BOULEVARD 26 (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner _X_ Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person (give title below) (specify below) NORTH RICHLAND Form filed by More than One Chairman of the Board HILLS, TXÂ 76180 Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Class A-1 Common Stock D Â 27,027

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	y 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	(IIISU. 3)

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option	07/01/2007	07/01/2016	Class A-1 Common Stock	67,567	\$ 37	D	Â
Stock Option	07/01/2007	07/01/2016	Class A-1 Common Stock	6,756	\$ 74	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
7	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
WISE ALLEN F 9151 BOULEVARD 26 NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TX 76180	ÂX	Â	Chairman of the Board	Â	
Signatures					
Allen F. Wise By /s/ Peggy G. Simpson, POA	06/05/2006				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date				

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