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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CHANDRA ANURAG

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First) (Last)

HealthMarkets, Inc. [N/A]

(Check all applicable)

9151 BOULEVARD 26

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

10/15/2008

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

EVP & Chief Administrative Off

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TX 76180

Security

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of

(Street)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I)

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Reported

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option	\$ 0 (1)	10/15/2008		A	75,000	10/15/2009(2)	10/15/2019	Class A-1 Common Stock	75,000

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CHANDRA ANURAG 9151 BOULEVARD 26 NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TX 76180

EVP & Chief Administrative Off

Signatures

Anurag Chandra By: /s/ Peggy G. Simpson, **POA**

10/16/2008

**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).
 - (a) 62,500 of the Shares subject to the Option (the "Time-Based Tranche A Options") may be purchased at a price (the "Initial Option Price") equal to the Fair Market Value of the Company's Class A-1 Common Stock as determined by the Board of Directors to be
- effective for the quarter ending December 31, 2008; (b) 12,500 of the Shares subject to the Option (the "Time-Based Tranche B Options") may be purchased at the Initial Option Price per Share, if Optionee exercises the Option to purchase prior to the first anniversary of the grant date of October 15, 2008 (the "Effective Date") and will accrete thereafter by 10% per year, on and after the first anniversary date through the fifth anniversary date of the Effective Date if not exercised prior to an applicable anniversary date.
 - The Time-Based Options shall become exercisable (i.e. vested) with respect to 20% of the Time-Based Options (15,000 Shares) on the first anniversary of the Effective Date and the remainder of the Time-Based Options (60,000 Shares) shall vest in equal quarterly
- (2) installments thereafter until the fifth anniversary of the Effective Date, in each case, subject to Optionee's remaining in the continuous employ of the Company or any Subsidiary through the applicable vesting date (such vesting schedule, the "Time-Vesting Schedule"); provided that the Time-Based Options shall become fully exercisable upon a Change of Control.

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