

VISTACARE, INC.
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FORM 4

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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 *
SLAGER RICHARD R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O VISTACARE, INC., 4800 N. SCOTTSDALE RD., SUITE 5000

(Street)

SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
VISTACARE, INC. [VSTA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/29/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chairman, President & CEO

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

Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Class A Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) | | | |
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/29/2008 | 02/29/2008 | U | | 31,350 (1) (2) (3) | D | \$ 8.6 |
| | | | | | 78,850 (1) (2) | 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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 3.75 | | | | | 06/07/2002 06/07/2011 | Class A Common Stock | 480,000 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 12.5 | | | | | 01/30/2003 11/11/2012 | Class A Common Stock | 320,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SLAGER RICHARD R C/O VISTACARE, INC. 4800 N. SCOTTSDALE RD., SUITE 5000 SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251 | X | | Chairman, President & CEO | |

Signatures

Stephen Lewis,
Attorney-in-Fact

02/29/2008

**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).

Total includes shares acquired through Issuer's ESSP as follows: 448.28 shares acquired on 12/31/06, and 468.64 shares acquired on (1) 6/30/07, and 642 shares acquired on 12/31/07. The total shares acquired through the Issuer's ESSP for this time period is 1,558.92 or 1,559 shares.

(2) Includes reduction of beneficial ownership by 25,974 shares pursuant to a Divorce Decree Settlement Agreement dated August 30, 2007.

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(3) For tender of shares: Pursuant to the terms of an Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of January 15, 2008 (the "Merger Agreement"), by and among Odyssey HealthCare Holding Company ("Parent"), a Delaware corporation, OHC Investment, Inc. ("Purchaser"), a Delaware corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of Parent, and the Issuer, Purchaser, on January 30, 2008, commenced a cash tender offer to purchase all of the Issuer's outstanding shares of class A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Shares") at a price of \$8.60 per Share (the "Offer Price"). Concurrently with the execution of the Merger Agreement, and as a condition of Parent's and Purchaser's willingness to enter into the Merger Agreement, the Reporting Person entered into a stockholder agreement with Parent and Purchaser, whereby, among other things, the Reporting Person agreed to tender all shares in the Issuer beneficially owned by the Reporting Person within three business days after the commencement of the tend

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