KINDRED HEALTHCARE, INC

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KAUFMAN ISAAC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

KINDRED HEALTHCARE, INC

(Check all applicable)

[KND]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(State)

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

X_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

3 NASHUA COURT, SUITE H

01/12/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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BALTIMORE, MD 21221

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

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

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

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

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 5)	d of (D)				
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Share
Option Right to Buy	\$ 27.9	01/12/2009		D <u>(1)</u>		5,000	01/10/2006(1)	01/10/2015	Common Stock	5,00
Option Right to Buy	\$ 21.33	01/12/2009		A <u>(1)</u>	6,542		01/10/2006(1)	01/10/2015	Common Stock	6,54
Option Right to Buy	\$ 28.89	01/12/2009		D(2)		5,000	01/10/2007(2)	01/10/2016	Common Stock	5,00
Option Right to Buy	\$ 22.08	01/12/2009		A(2)	6,542		01/10/2007(2)	01/10/2016	Common Stock	6,54
Option Right to Buy	\$ 25.38	01/12/2009		D(3)		5,000	01/10/2008(3)	01/10/2017	Common Stock	5,00
Option Right to Buy	\$ 19.4	01/12/2009		A(3)	6,542		01/10/2008(3)	01/10/2017	Common Stock	6,54

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
KAUFMAN ISAAC 3 NASHUA COURT, SUITE H	X						
BALTIMORE, MD 21221							

Signatures

Isaac Kaufman 01/12/2009

**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) The reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding option, resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" option and the grant of a replacement option. The option was originally granted on 1/10/2005 and provides for vesting in cumulative equal annual installments over four years commencing on 1/10/2006. The amendment of the option permits the option to remain exercisable for the

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original life of the option upon retirement or other similar separation of the reporting person from the Board of Directors of Kindred Healthcare, Inc. ("Kindred"). The replacement option also reflects prior adjustments under the Kindred Healthcare, Inc. 2001 Equity Plan for Non-Employee Directors (Amended and Restated) which were made upon the July 2007 spin-off of Kindred's former institutional pharmacy business.

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- (2) original life of the option upon retirement or other similar separation of the reporting person from the Board of Directors of Kindred Healthcare, Inc. ("Kindred"). The replacement option also reflects prior adjustments under the Kindred Healthcare, Inc. 2001 Equity Plan for Non-Employee Directors (Amended and Restated) which were made upon the July 2007 spin-off of Kindred's former institutional pharmacy business.
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- (3) original life of the option upon retirement or other similar separation of the reporting person from the Board of Directors of Kindred Healthcare, Inc. ("Kindred"). The replacement option also reflects prior adjustments under the Kindred Healthcare, Inc. 2001 Equity Plan for Non-Employee Directors (Amended and Restated) which were made upon the July 2007 spin-off Kindred's former institutional pharmacy business.

Remarks:

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