

SIERRA HEALTH SERVICES INC

Form 4

February 25, 2008

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Briggs Marc R

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

SIERRA HEALTH SERVICES INC  
[SIE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2724 N. TENAYA WAY

(Street)

LAS VEGAS, NV 89128

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/25/2008

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

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
SVP, CFO, Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

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

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock                       | 02/25/2008                              |                                                             | G <sup>(1)</sup>                     | V 2,839 D<br>\$ 42.06                                                   | 10,056                                                                                                             | D                                                                    |                                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock <sup>(2)</sup>        | 02/25/2008                              |                                                             | D <sup>(2)</sup>                     | 10,056 D<br>\$ 43.50                                                    | 0                                                                                                                  | D                                                                    |                                                                   |

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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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(3)</sup> | \$ 4.465                                               | 02/25/2008                           |                                                    | D <sup>(3)</sup>               | 2,000                                                                                   | 12/10/2002 <sup>(4)</sup> 12/09/2011                     | Common                                                        | 2,000                      |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(3)</sup> | \$ 5.825                                               | 02/25/2008                           |                                                    | D <sup>(3)</sup>               | 4,000                                                                                   | 12/10/2003 <sup>(5)</sup> 12/09/2012                     | Common                                                        | 4,000                      |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(3)</sup> | \$ 6.305                                               | 02/25/2008                           |                                                    | D <sup>(3)</sup>               | 4,000                                                                                   | 04/14/2004 <sup>(6)</sup> 04/13/2013                     | Common                                                        | 4,000                      |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(3)</sup> | \$ 30.055                                              | 02/25/2008                           |                                                    | D <sup>(3)</sup>               | 2,400                                                                                   | 12/30/2005 <sup>(7)</sup> 04/20/2010                     | Common                                                        | 2,400                      |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(3)</sup> | \$ 38.62                                               | 02/25/2008                           |                                                    | D <sup>(3)</sup>               | 3,000                                                                                   | 12/30/2005 <sup>(7)</sup> 12/06/2010                     | Common                                                        | 3,000                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address      | Relationships                    |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                     | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| Briggs Marc R<br>2724 N. TENAYA WAY | SVP, CFO, Treasurer              |

LAS VEGAS, NV 89128

## Signatures

Marc R. Briggs/Jayne  
Primaky POA

02/25/2008

\_\_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).
- (1) Gift of shares to non-family member.
- (2) Shares, including restricted stock units, disposed of pursuant to the merger agreement between Sierra Health Services, Inc. and UnitedHealth Group Incorporated for a cash payment of \$43.50 per share. This disposition occurred on the effective date of the merger.  
Options disposed of pursuant to the merger agreement between Sierra Health Services, Inc. and UnitedHealth Group Incorporated for a cash payment for each option share equal to \$43.50 minus the per share exercise price of the option. This disposition occurred on the effective date of the merger.
- (3) Exercisable as to 20% on each of 12/10/02, 12/10/03, 12/10/04, 12/10/05 and 12/10/06.
- (4) Exercisable as to 20% on each of 12/10/03, 12/10/04, 12/10/05, 12/10/06 and 12/10/07.
- (5) Exercisable as to 20% on each of 4/14/04, 4/14/05, 4/14/06, 4/14/07 and 4/14/08. The options became fully vested upon consummation of the merger.
- (6) Exercisable as to 100% on 12/30/05.

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