

CROSS COUNTRY HEALTHCARE 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 *
HENSEL EMIL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CROSS COUNTRY HEALTHCARE INC [CCRN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2538 NW 64TH BLVD.
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/14/2006

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

BOCA RATON, FL 33496

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

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

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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	12/14/2006		M ⁽¹⁾		8,000 A \$ 7.75	106,574 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock	12/14/2006		S ⁽¹⁾		4,000 D \$ 21.45	106,574 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock	12/14/2006		S ⁽¹⁾		4,000 D \$ 21.58	106,574 ⁽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)	\$ 7.75	12/14/2006		M ⁽¹⁾	8,000	⁽³⁾ 12/16/2009	Common Stock	8,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HENSEL EMIL 2538 NW 64TH BLVD. BOCA RATON, FL 33496		X	Chief Financial Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Emil Hensel 12/18/2006
 **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 option exercises and stock sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on November 20, 2006.
 8,955 shares are held by Mr. Hensel directly, 84,927 are held by his wife and 12,692 are held by his daughter. In addition to the shares listed in Column 5 of Table I, 12,473 are held by each of his two sons. Mr. Hensel's two sons are adults and as a result, he disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares. Mr. Hensel's daughter is a college student and does not reside in Mr. Hensel's household. Her shares are included in the total reported in Column 5 of Table I.
- (2) The options exercised are fully vested.
- (3) In addition, Mr. Hensel has 374,759 options to purchase Common Stock of the Company with different exercise prices from the options reported in Table II.

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