

Acadia Healthcare Company, Inc.
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 Howard Christopher L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Acadia Healthcare Company, Inc.
 [ACHC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 6100 TOWER CIRCLE, SUITE 1000
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/14/2017

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP, GC and Secretary

FRANKLIN, TN 37067

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	03/14/2017		A		2,482 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 0 203,303 D
Common Stock	03/14/2017		A		5,026 <u>(2)</u>	A	\$ 0 208,329 D
Common Stock	03/14/2017		A		3,373 <u>(3)</u>	A	\$ 0 211,702 D
Common Stock	03/14/2017		A		3,665 <u>(4)</u>	A	\$ 0 215,367 D
Common Stock	03/14/2017		F		3,976	D	\$ 42.77 211,391 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Howard Christopher L 6100 TOWER CIRCLE, SUITE 1000 FRANKLIN, TN 37067			EVP, GC and Secretary	

Signatures

/s/ Christopher L. Howard 03/16/2017

**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) Shares received upon vesting of performance vesting restricted stock units awarded on February 5, 2016.
- (2) Shares received upon vesting of performance vesting restricted stock units awarded on February 24, 2015.
- (3) Shares received upon vesting of performance vesting restricted stock units awarded on February 26, 2015.
- (4) Shares received upon vesting of performance vesting restricted stock units awarded on February 27, 2014.

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