

TRIAD HOSPITALS INC
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BEDENBAUGH JAMES R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

5800 TENNYSON PARKWAY

(Street)

PLANO, TX 75024

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
TRIAD HOSPITALS INC [TRI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/24/2005

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)
Sr. VP/Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	03/24/2005		M		26,250	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2005		M		8,000	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2005		M		5,000	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		39,250	D	
Common Stock in Triad					175	I	By ESOP

Retirement
Savings
Plan ESOP
Account

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32.15	03/24/2005		M	26,250	<u>(2)</u> 02/07/2012	Common Stock	26,250
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.94	03/24/2005		M	8,000	<u>(3)</u> 02/06/2013	Common Stock	8,000
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.52	03/24/2005		M	5,000	<u>(4)</u> 02/04/2014	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BEDENBAUGH JAMES R 5800 TENNYSON PARKWAY PLANO, TX 75024			Sr. VP/Treasurer	

Signatures

Donald P Fay,
Attorney-in-Fact
03/24/2005

**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) Sale pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.
- (2) The option vests in four equal annual installments, beginning February 7, 2003.
- (3) The option vests in four equal annual installments, beginning February 6, 2004
- (4) The option vests in four equal annual installments, beginning February 4, 2005.

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