

Cunningham Jeffrey Scott
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FORM 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Cunningham Jeffrey Scott | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ADCARE HEALTH SYSTEMS INC [ADK] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2008 | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) CFO |
| 120 DEETER DRIVE (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line) |

CLAYTON, OH 45315

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| 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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) Price | 4,400 | 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)

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| 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 |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Warrants | \$ 1.21 ⁽¹⁾ | Â | Â | Â | Â Â | 11/20/2007 ⁽²⁾ 11/20/2017 ⁽²⁾ | Common Stock | 8,800 |
| Options | \$ 2.5 | Â | Â | Â | Â Â | 08/27/2004 08/27/2012 | Common Stock | 16,000 |
| Options | \$ 1.5 | Â | Â | Â | Â Â | 05/09/2007 05/09/2012 | Common Stock | 10,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Cunningham Jeffrey Scott 120 DEETER DRIVE CLAYTON, OH 45315 | Â | Â | Â CFO | Â |

Signatures

Jeffrey Scott
Cunningham
02/17/2009

**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).
- Exercise price was redetermined prior to shareholder vote. Warrant pricing changes for each group vesting; vested 2008 - \$1.21; vested 2009 - \$2.25; vested 2010 - price equal to the greater of (i) the average closing price of the Company's common stock on AMEX during (1) the month of January, 2009 or (ii) \$3.00; vested 2011 - price equal to the greater of (i) the average closing price of the Company's common stock on AMEX during the month of January, 2010 or (ii) \$3.00; vested 2012 - price equal to the greater of (i) the average closing price of the Company's common stock on AMEX during the month of January, 2011 or (ii)\$3.00.
- (2) These are 10 year warrants that will vest equally over a 5 year period, however that vesting will be accelerated in the event there is a "change in control" of the Company or a termination without cause of person(s) comprising the management team.

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