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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* KOONTZ LILLIS ANN	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MOLINA HEALTHCARE INC</u> [MOH]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2277 FAIR OAKS BLVD, STE 440	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/30/2005	X Onler (give the Other (specify below) below) VP, Health Plan Operations
(Street) SACRAMENTO CA 95825 (City) (State) (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	 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 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securities Disposed Of 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock								17,908(1)	D	
Common Stock	12/30/2005		J ⁽²⁾		323	Α	\$26.64	18,231	D	

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. Transa Code (8)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Dispo of (D (Instriand S	rities ired r osed) : 3, 4	6. Date Exerci: Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye	e	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$25.33							02/10/2005 ⁽³⁾	02/10/2014	Common Stock	15,000		15,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$4.5							(4)	12/27/2010	Common Stock	9,240		9,240	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$44.29							07/01/2006 ⁽⁵⁾	07/01/2015	Common Stock	5,000		5,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. 1,241 of the shares are fully vested. 16,667 of the shares represent restricted stock granted under the Molina Healthcare, Inc. 2002 Equity Incentive Plan, with one-half of the 16,667 shares to vest on each of 9/13/2006 and 9/13/2007.

2. The shares were acquired under the Molina Healthcare, Inc. 2002 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

3. The options vest one-third on each of 2/10/2005, 2/10/2006, and 2/10/2007.

4. The options became fully exercisable upon the closing of the initial public offering of the issuer.

5. The options vest one-third on each of 7/1/2006, 7/1/2007, and 7/1/2008.

Lillis Ann Koontz, by Jeff D. Barlow, Attorney-in-Fact.

01/04/2006

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Mark L. Andrews and Jeff D. Barlow, and each acting singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or stockholder of Molina Healthcare, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 and amendments thereto in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder; and

2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5 or amendment thereto and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and any stock exchange or similar authority.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transaction in securities of the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact. This Power of Attorney may be filed with the SEC as a confirming statement of the authority granted herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 2nd day of July, 2004.

/s/ Lillis Ann Koontz Signature

Lillis Ann Koontz Printed Name

Exhibit 24.1