APRIA HEALTHCARE GROUP INC

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HIGBY LAWRENCE M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

APRIA HEALTHCARE GROUP INC [AHG]

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Chief Executive Officer

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/01/2006

X Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

C/O APRIA HEALTHCARE GROUP INC, 26220 ENTERPRISE COURT

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date 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

LAKE FOREST, CA 92630

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially							y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit onor Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of	` ′	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)
Common Stock	11/01/2006		M(1)	35,000	A	\$ 15.5	148,600 (2)	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		M(3)	60,800	A	\$ 6.46	209,400 (2)	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		S	71,939	D	\$ 23.4956 (4)	137,461 (2)	D	
Common Stock	11/02/2006		M(3)	25,200	A	\$ 6.46	162,661 <u>(2)</u>	D	

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Common Stock S 25,200 D \$\frac{\$}{24.0017}\$ 137,461 \$\frac{(2)}{(4)}\$ 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.5	11/01/2006		M <u>(1)</u>		35,000	01/26/1998	11/07/2007	Common Stock	35,000
Employee Restricted Stock Purchase Right (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.46	11/01/2006		M(3)		60,800	12/31/2004	08/12/2013	Common Stock	60,800
Employee Restricted Stock Purchase Right (Right to	\$ 6.46	11/02/2006		M(3)		25,200	12/31/2004	08/12/2013	Common Stock	25,200

Reporting Owners

Buy)

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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HIGBY LAWRENCE M C/O APRIA HEALTHCARE GROUP INC 26220 ENTERPRISE COURT LAKE FOREST, CA 92630

X

Chief Executive Officer

Signatures

Lawrence M. Higby by Robert S. Holcombe, Attorney-In-Fact

11/03/2006

**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) Exercise of employee stock options granted under the issuer's 1997 Amended and Restated Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) Includes shares held by revocable trust of which reporting person is the trustee and, along with his wife, a beneficiary.
- (3) Exercise of right to purchase common stock issued pursuant to issuer's 2003 Performance Incentive Plan. Once vested, each restricted stock purchase right represents a contingent right to purchase one share of the issuer's common stock at the price of \$6.46 per share.
- (4) Average sale price.

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