

TRIAD HOSPITALS INC
Form 4
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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 *
WHITMAN BURKE W

(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)
02/28/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
EVP, Chief Financial Officer

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) | 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 (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 02/28/2005 | | M | 7,000 A \$ 11.5 | 106,124 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/28/2005 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 7,000 D \$ 44 | 99,124 | D | |
| Common Stock in Triad Management Stock Purchase Plan | | | | | 8,825 | D | |
| Common Stock in Triad | | | | | 528 | I | By ESOP |

Retirement
Saving Plan
ESOP Acct

Common
Stock in Triad
Retirement
Plan Common
Stock Fund

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I

By 401(k)
plan

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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 |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Non-qualified option (right to buy) | \$ 11.5 | 02/28/2005 | | M | 7,000 | 04/27/2001 06/10/2009 | Common Stock | 7,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| WHITMAN BURKE W 5800 TENNYSON PARKWAY PLANO, TX 75024 | | | EVP, Chief Financial Officer | |

Signatures

Donald P Fay,
Attorney-in-fact

02/28/2005

**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 10b5-1 trading plan.

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