

Elliot David W Jr  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Elliot David W Jr

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
VISTACARE, INC. [VSTA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O VISTACARE, INC., 4800 N. SCOTTSDALE ROAD, SUITE 5000

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/10/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
President & COO

(Street)  
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Class A Common Stock            |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  | 600   | 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 | 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) |                      |                      |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------|---|--|---|----------------------|----------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                | Amount Number Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 15.92   | 01/10/2005                           |  | A                   | 325,000   | <u>(1)</u>   | 01/09/2015  | Class A Common Stock | 325,000              |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                    |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer            | Other |
| Elliot David W Jr<br>C/O VISTACARE, INC.<br>4800 N. SCOTTSDALE ROAD, SUITE 5000<br>SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251 |               |           | President<br>& COO |       |

## Signatures

Stephen Lewis                      01/28/2005  
 \*\*Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## 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) The option vests in equal installments of 20% on each of January 10, 2006, January 10, 2007, January 10, 2008, January 10, 2009, and will be fully vested on January 10, 2010.
- (2) Not applicable.

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