SUNLINK HEALTH SYSTEMS INC

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

BURLESON GENE E

Symbol

SUNLINK HEALTH SYSTEMS

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Check all applicable)

INC [SSY]

(Last)

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

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

320 ARGONNE DRIVE

11/11/2005

(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

below)

ATLANTA, GA 30305

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Following

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired Derivative (A) or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (D) Date Code V (A) Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares **Employee** Common \$ 9.63 5,500 11/11/2006 11/11/2015 Stock 11/11/2005 A 5,500 Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BURLESON GENE E

320 ARGONNE DRIVE X

ATLANTA, GA 30305

Signatures

Option

/s/ M. Timothy Elder, Pursuant to a Power of Attorney 02/28/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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