

Sproat David P
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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 *
 Sproat David P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC.
 [PDCO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 03/23/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President, Subsidiary

PATTERSON MEDICAL PRODUCTS, INC., 270 REMINGTON BLVD., SUITE C
 (Street)

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

BOLINGBROOK, IL 60440

(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock | 03/23/2006 | | S | 8,000 | D \$ 35.99 | 2,007 | 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 (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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| | | | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) |
| Employee Stock Options | (1) | | | | | (2) | (3) | Common Stock | 36,784 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Sproat David P PATTERSON MEDICAL PRODUCTS, INC. 270 REMINGTON BLVD., SUITE C BOLINGBROOK, IL 60440 | | | President, Subsidiary | |

Signatures

Matthew L. Levitt, by Power of Attorney 03/23/2006

*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) Options granted as follows: 13,308 on 2/10/1999 at \$10.1407; 4,488 on 5/01/2000 at \$12.1875; 3,758 on 4/30/2001 at \$15.28; 2,690 on 4/29/2002 at \$22.57; 3,194 on 4/28/2003 at \$19.965; 1,738 on 4/26/2004 at \$38.50; and 7,608 on 7/1/2004 at \$37.30.
- (2) Options for 36,784 shares are exercisable as follows: 4,436 shares on 2/10/2006; 4,436 shares on 2/10/2007; 4,436 shares on 2/10/2008; 4,488 shares on 4/30/2009; 3,758 shares on 4/29/2010; 2,690 shares on 4/29/2011; 3,194 shares on 4/27/2012; 1,758 shares on 4/26/2013; 1,388 shares on 7/1/2007 and 7/1/2008; 1,128 shares on 7/1/2009; 1,054 shares on 7/1/2010; 966 shares on 7/1/2011; 884 shares on 7/1/2012; and 800 shares on 7/1/2013.
- (3) All options expire 10 years after grant date.

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