

WIECHART MICHAEL A
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FORM 4

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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 *
WIECHART MICHAEL A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**LIFEPOINT HOSPITALS, INC.
 [LPNT]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
103 POWELL COURT, SUITE 200
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/11/2005

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

BRENTWOOD, TN 37027

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	05/11/2005		M		6,500	A	\$ 17.25
Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		100	D	\$ 43.27
Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		355	D	\$ 43.31
Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		2,600	D	\$ 43.36
Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		300	D	\$ 43.37
							31,195
							31,095
							30,740
							28,140
							27,840

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Common Stock	05/11/2005	S	3,145	D	\$ 43.39	24,695	D	
Common Stock						1,814 ⁽¹⁾	I	By Retirement Plan

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities (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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right-to-Buy)	\$ 17.25	05/11/2005		M	6,500	03/03/2003 03/03/2010	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WIECHART MICHAEL A 103 POWELL COURT, SUITE 200 BRENTWOOD, TN 37027			Division President	

Signatures

/s/ Wiechart,
Michael A. 05/12/2005

**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) Share amounts reflected for the retirement plan are estimates based on unit accounting and based upon a May 5, 2005 value of \$44.09 per share.

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