

Darling Joseph G  
Form 4  
February 28, 2019

**FORM 4**

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Darling Joseph G

(Last) (First) (Middle)

32 WIGGINS AVENUE

(Street)

BEDFORD, MA 01730

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

Anika Therapeutics, Inc. [ANIK]

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

02/26/2019

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

President and CEO; Director

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)

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Person

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

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V                                                                          | Amount                                                                                                             | (D)                                                                  | Price                                                             |

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any | 4. Transaction<br>Code | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |
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| (Instr. 3)                           | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | Code | V | (A)    | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------|---|--------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Restricted<br>Stock Unit             | \$ 0                               | 02/26/2019       |            |                                                                  | A    |   | 63,000 |     | (1)                 | (1)                | Common<br>Stock | 63,000                              |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy) | \$ 61.47<br>(2)                    | 02/27/2019(3)    |            |                                                                  | A    |   | 7,609  |     | (4)                 | 01/24/2028         | Common<br>Stock | 7,609                               |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                             | Relationships |           |                             |       |
|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                                                            | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                     | Other |
| Darling Joseph G<br>32 WIGGINS AVENUE<br>BEDFORD, MA 01730 | X             |           | President and CEO; Director |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Joseph G.  
Darling

02/28/2019

\_\_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) Each RSU represents the contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock. The RSUs vest in three equal annual installments beginning February 26, 2020, provided that the first installment of shares hereunder shall be delivered upon the first to occur of Mr. Darling's (a) death, (b) disability, (c) separation from service (as defined by the Anika Therapeutics, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "Plan")), or (d) a Change in Control (as defined by the Plan).

(2) The exercise price of the stock options represents the closing price of the Company's common stock on the grant date, January 24, 2018, the date the Compensation Committee of the Company granted these performance-based stock option awards (the "Performance Grant"). Please also see notes 3 and 4.

(3) On February 27, 2019, the Compensation Committee determined and certified that 53.2% of the initial Performance Grant had been earned, subject to time-based vesting. Please also see notes 2 and 4.

(4) The stock options vest in four equal installments on the following dates: February 27, 2019, January 1, 2020, January 1, 2021, and January 1, 2022.

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