

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC
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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 *
STANZIONE DANIEL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC
[DGX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
07/12/2012

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

C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS
INCORPORATED, 3 GIRALDA
FARMS

(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

MADISON, NJ 07940

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				(A) or (D)	Price					
			Code	V	Amount					
Common Stock	07/12/2012		M ⁽¹⁾		10,000	A	\$ 55.4	30,176	D	
Common Stock	07/12/2012		M ⁽¹⁾		20,000	A	\$ 30.455	50,176	D	
Common Stock	07/12/2012		S ⁽¹⁾		30,000	D	\$ 62	20,176	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)

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 55.4	07/12/2012		M ⁽¹⁾	10,000	⁽²⁾ 05/04/2013	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.455	07/12/2012		M ⁽¹⁾	20,000	⁽³⁾ 05/13/2013	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STANZIONE DANIEL C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED 3 GIRALDA FARMS MADISON, NJ 07940	X			

Signatures

/s/ William J. O'Shaughnessy, Jr., Attorney in Fact for Daniel Stanzione

07/13/2012

 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) The exercise and sale reported were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 sales plan adopted by the reporting person on May 16, 2012.

(2) The options vested in three equal annual installments beginning with the first on May 4, 2007, the second on May 4, 2008 and the final on May 4, 2009.

(3)

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The options vested in three equal annual installments beginning with the first on May 13, 2004, the second on May 13, 2005 and the final on May 13, 2006.

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