VENTAS INC Form 4 January 04, 2012

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

1(b).

Stock

PASQUALE DOUGLAS M			Symbol VENTAS INC [VTR]					Iss	Issuer (Cheek all applieshle)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 111 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE,			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2011					_	(Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify			
SUITE 4800								be.	below) below)			
	4. If Amendment, Date Original 6					6.	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
CHICAGO	·					_X 	Applicable Line) X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting erson					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Ta	ble I - Non-	Deri	ivative S	ecuri	ties Acquir	ed, Disposed of, o	r Beneficially	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or				D)	5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/31/2011			Code V		Amount ,054	(D) D	Price \$ 55.13	(Instr. 3 and 4) 174,755	D		
Common Stock	01/01/2012			A	1,	,028 2)	A	\$0	175,783	D		
Common Stock	01/03/2012			S(3)(4)	20	0,000	D	\$ 56.1346	155,783	D		
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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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 55.13	01/01/2012		A	5,000 (5)	01/01/2012(6)	01/01/2022	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PASQUALE DOUGLAS M 111 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 4800 X CHICAGO,, IL 60606

Signatures

Douglas M. Pasquale, By: T. Richard Riney, Attorney-In-Fact

01/04/2012

**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).
 - Represents shares withheld to pay the taxes on the vesting and settlement of restricted stock units granted by Nationwide Health
- (1) Properties, Inc. ("NHP") on February 15, 2011 and assumed by the Issuer pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated February 27, 2011, by and among Ventas, Inc., Needles Acquisition LLC and NHP.
- (2) Restricted stock granted by Issuer pursuant to the Ventas, Inc. 2006 Stock Plan for Directors (the "Stock Plan"). This restricted stock vests in two equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (3) On January 3, 2012, the Reporting Person transmitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form 144 covering the sale of the Issuer's common stock reported on Table 1. The price reported in column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold

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by the Reporting Person in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$56.00 to \$56.32, inclusive. Reporting Person undertakes to provide the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer or the staff of the SEC, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote (3).

- (4) These shares are being sold pursuant to a written non-discretionary Rule 10b5-1(c) sales plan dated November 23, 2011.
- (5) Stock options granted by Issuer pursuant to the Stock Plan.
- (6) These options vest in two equal annual installments beginning on the date of grant.
- (7) Represents total number of unexercised stock options held by the Reporting Person as of January 1, 2012.

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