KINDRED HEALTHCARE, INC

Form 4 June 02, 2005

FORM 4

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LECHLEITER RICHARD A	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KINDRED HEALTHCARE, INC [KND]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 680 SOUTH FOURTH STREET	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/31/2005	Director 10% Owner Security Other (specify below) Executive VP and CFO		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person		
LOUISVILLE, KY 40202		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactiom Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			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)	
Common	05/31/2005		Code V M	Amount 28,650	(D)	Price \$ 16	95,733	D	
Stock	03/31/2003		1V1	20,030	Λ	ψ 10	75,135	D	
Common Stock	05/31/2005		S	5,000	D	\$ 38.42	90,733	D	
Common Stock	05/31/2005		S	5,000	D	\$ 38.37	85,733	D	
Common Stock	05/31/2005		S	5,000	D	\$ 38.35	80,733	D	
Common Stock	05/31/2005		S	4,000	D	\$ 38.42	76,733	D	

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Common Stock	05/31/2005	S	3,000	D	\$ 38.454	73,733	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S	2,550	D	\$ 38.5	71,183	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S	2,000	D	\$ 38.15	69,183	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S	2,000	D	\$ 38.363	67,183	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S	1,406	D	\$ 38.16	65,777	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S	2,000	D	\$ 38.45	63,777	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S	100	D	\$ 38.44	63,677	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S	2,000	D	\$ 38.15	61,677	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 38.1	60,677	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 38.28	59,677	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) (A) ed of		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitic (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 16	05/31/2005		M	28,650	05/21/2002(1)	05/21/2006	Common Stock	28,6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LECHLEITER RICHARD A 680 SOUTH FOURTH STREET LOUISVILLE, KY 40202

Executive VP and CFO

Signatures

Richard A. Lechleiter 06/02/2005

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) This option is exercisable in cumulative equal annual installments over three years commencing 5/21/02.

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