

VISTACARE, INC.  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MATRICARIA RONALD A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O VISTACARE, INC., 4800 N. SCOTTSDALE RD., SUITE 5000

(Street)

SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
VISTACARE, INC. [VSTA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/11/2005

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Class A Common Stock	08/11/2005		S		6,173 D \$ 17.4	18,827	D
Class A Common Stock	08/11/2005		S		500 D \$ 17.39	18,327	D
Class A Common Stock	08/11/2005		S		100 D \$ 17.38	18,227	D
Class A Common	08/12/2005		P		3,227 A \$ 17.3	21,454	D

Stock

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. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.5					Date Exercisable: 08/13/2002 Expiration Date: 08/13/2012	Class A Common Stock 40,000	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.5					Date Exercisable: 11/11/2002 Expiration Date: 11/11/2012	Class A Common Stock 10,000	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.09					Date Exercisable: 02/10/2004 Expiration Date: 02/10/2014	Class A Common Stock 10,000	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.58					Date Exercisable: 05/05/2005 Expiration Date: 05/05/2015	Class A Common Stock 10,000	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MATRICARIA RONALD A	X			

C/O VISTACARE, INC.  
4800 N. SCOTTSDALE RD., SUITE 5000  
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251

## Signatures

Stephen Lewis,  
Attorney-in-Fact

08/12/2005

\_\_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).

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