PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC Form SC 13D/A March 15, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 3)1

Coventry Health Care, Inc. (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share
 (Title of Class of Securities)

222862104 (CUSIP Number)

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February 1, 2002 (Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This

Statement)

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be subject to all other provisions of the Act(however, see the Notes).

SCHEDULE 13D

CUSIP No. 222862104

- 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON Principal Financial Group, Inc.
- CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP
- (a) [x]
- (b) [_]
- 3 SEC USE ONLY
- 4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

00

CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(D) OR 2(E)

[_]

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

NUMBER OF 7 SOLE VOTING POWER SHARES 0

BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY 8 SHARED VOTING POWER EACH 33,714 (See Item 5)

REPORTING

PERSON 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH 0

- 10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 33,714 (See Item 5)
- 11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

33,714 (See Item 5)

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES 12 CERTAIN SHARES

[_]

- 13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 0.06%
- 14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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SCHEDULE 13D

CUSIP No. 222862104 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON Principal Financial Services, Inc. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) [x] (b) [_] 3 SEC USE ONLY SOURCE OF FUNDS 00 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(D) OR 2(E) 6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Iowa NUMBER OF 7 SOLE VOTING POWER SHARES 0 BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 8 SHARED VOTING POWER EACH 33,714 (See Item 5) REPORTING 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER PERSON WITH 10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 33,714 (See Item 5) 11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 33,714 (See Item 5) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [_] PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

- 0.06%
- 14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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SCHEDULE 13D

CUSIP No. 222862104

- 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON Principal Life Insurance Company
- 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP
- (a) [x]
- (b) [_]

3 SEC USE ONLY SOURCE OF FUNDS 00 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(D) OR 2(E) 6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Iowa NUMBER OF 7 SOLE VOTING POWER SHARES 0 BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 8 SHARED VOTING POWER EACH 33,714 (See Item 5) REPORTING
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5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS

REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(D) OR 2(E)

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Iowa

NUMBER OF 7 SOLE VOTING POWER

SHARES 0

BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY 8 SHARED VOTING POWER

EACH

REPORTING

PERSON 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH 0

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

- 12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [_]
 - 13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 0%
 - 14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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SCHEDULE 13D

CUSIP No. 222862104

- 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON Principal Health Care, Inc.
- 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP
- (a) [x]
- (b) [_]
- 3 SEC USE ONLY
- 4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

00

- 5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(D) OR 2(E) [_]
 - 6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Iowa

NUMBER OF 7 SOLE VOTING POWER

SHARES 0

BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY 8 SHARED VOTING POWER

EACH 0

REPORTING

PERSON SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 9 0

WITH

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 10

0

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

- CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES []
 - PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 13 0%
 - 14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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This Amendment No. 3 amends the Schedule 13D filed on April 13, 1998 on behalf of Principal Life Insurance Company (formerly, Principal Mutual Life Insurance Company), Principal Holding Company and Principal Health Care, Inc., relating to the common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Coventry Health Care, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("CHC"), as amended on October 17, 2000 and January 4, 2002 by Principal Mutual Holding Company and its successor, Principal Financial Group, Inc., and certain of their subsidiaries (as amended, the "Schedule 13D"). Unless otherwise indicated herein, each capitalized term used but not defined herein shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the Schedule 13D.

Item 4 is amended by adding the following:

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

(a) On February 1, pursuant to the proposed transaction described above, PHC sold the 15,103,487 shares of the outstanding CHC Common Stock which it held. 8,050,000 of the those shares were sold pursuant to a firm-commitment underwritten public offering at \$19.50 per share. The remaining 7,053,487 shares were purchased by CHC for \$20.00 per share. Furthermore, CHC purchased for \$35 million a warrant owned by PHC to purchase 3,075,182 shares.

Item 5 is amended to read as follows:

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

(a) - (b) As of the date hereof, PFG, PFS, PLIC, PH and PHC are not the beneficial owners of any shares of CHC Common Stock, except that PFG, PFS and PLIC, by virtue of their ownership and control of Invista Capital Management, LLC ("Invista"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of PLIC, may be deemed to share the power to vote or dispose of, or direct the voting or disposition of, 33,714 shares of CHC Common Stock, and therefore may be deemed to be beneficial owners of the shares of CHC Common Stock beneficially owned by Invista within the

meaning of Rule 13d-3(a) under the Act.

- (c) See Item 4.
- (d) As an investment adviser, Invista invested funds of investment accounts for which Invista acts as investment adviser in CHC Common Stock. Consequently, the persons who have interests in such investment accounts are the beneficiaries of the right to receive dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, the 33,714 shares of CHC Common Stock for which Invista may be deemed the beneficial owner.
 - (e) Not applicable.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: March 15, 2002

PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. By:/s/ Joyce N. Hoffman

Joyce N. Hoffman Senior Vice President & Corporate Secretary

PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. By:/s/ Joyce N. Hoffman

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PRINCIPAL HEALTH CARE, INC. By:/s/ Joyce N. Hoffman

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