

Sherif Tarek
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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 *
Sherif Tarek

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O MEDIDATA SOLUTIONS, INC., 79 FIFTH AVENUE, 8TH FLOOR

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10003

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Medidata Solutions, Inc. [MDSO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/16/2012

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)
Chairman & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
Common Stock	05/16/2012		A	(A) or (D) Amount 48,266 (1)	Price \$ 0 (2)	935,774	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)

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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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option Right to Buy	\$ 27.97	05/16/2012		A	36,087	<u>(3)</u>	05/16/2022	Common Stock	36,087

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sherif Tarek C/O MEDIDATA SOLUTIONS, INC. 79 FIFTH AVENUE, 8TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10003	X		Chairman & CEO	

Signatures

/s/ Michael I. Otner,
Attorney-in-Fact

05/18/2012

__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) Represents shares of restricted stock. The restrictions lapse with respect to one-fourth of the shares on each of May 16, 2013, May 16, 2014, May 16, 2015 and May 16, 2016.
- (2) Granted as compensation for services.
- (3) These options vest in 48 equal monthly installments commencing one month after the grant date, subject to continued employment.
- (4) Granted as compensation for services.

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