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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> SHORT MARIANNE D			2. Date of Event RequiringStatement(Month/Day/Year)		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC [UNH]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	12/31/2012		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
C/O UNITEDHEALTH GROUP, 9900 BREN ROAD EAST (Street)					(Check all applicable) <u></u> Director <u></u> 10% Owner <u></u> Officer <u></u> Other (give title below) (specify below) EVP & Chief Legal Officer			 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person 	
MINNETONKA, MN 55343								Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Table I - N	on-Deriv	ative Securiti	es Be	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4)	rity			2. Amount of Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	•	
No Securitie	es Are Ben	eficially Own	ned	0		D	Â		
Reminder: Repo owned directly			h class of secu	urities benefici	ally	SEC 1473 (7-02)		
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	(Instr. 5)
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	
			Derivative	Security:	

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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect
			Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SHORT MARIANNE D C/O UNITEDHEALTH GROUP 9900 BREN ROAD EAST MINNETONKA, MN 55343	Â	Â	EVP & Chief Legal Officer	Â			
Signatures							
Dannette L. Smith, Attorney-in-Fact for Marianne D. Short			01/10/2013				
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting I	Date						
Explanation of Responses:							

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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