FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* OLSEN GEORGE KIRK						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MOLINA HEALTHCARE INC [MOH]										all applic	or		10% Ov	ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2277 FAIR OAKS BLVD, STE 440						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2004									X	below)	(give title & CEO o	f Mo	Other (s below) lina of UT		
(Street) SACRAMENTO CA 95825 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. 11	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(5)		le I - Noi	n-Deriv	ative	e Se	curiti	es A	cai	uired.	Disi	oosed o	of. or Be	eneficia	ally (Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans Date (Month/				action		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		е,	3. Transac Code (li 8)	tion	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3,) or 5. Amo 4 and Securi Benefi Owned		nt of s ally following	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code V		Amount	(A) o	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3		ion(s)			(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock																1,633			D		
Common	on Stock 12/3					/2004				J ⁽¹⁾		155	155 A		.38	1,788			D		
		7	Гable II -	Deriva (e.g., p	tive :	Sec cal	uritie: ls, wa	s Ac	qui	red, D option	ispo s, c	sed of, onverti	or Ber ble sec	eficial urities	ly O	wned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transactior Code (Instr. 8)		of Deriv	r osed) r. 3, 4	Exp	Date Exer piration I onth/Day	Date		7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se	Price of erivative ecurity astr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Owners Form: Direct (or Indir (I) (Inst	Ownership	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Dat	te ercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	r						
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$25.33								02/	/10/2005 ⁽²	2) 0	2/10/2014	Common Stock	8,500			8,500		D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$3.13									(3)	0	5/11/2010	Common Stock	11,86	0		11,860		D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The shares were acquired under the Molina Healthcare, Inc. 2002 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- 2. The options vest one-third on each of 2/10/2005, 2/10/2006, and 2/10/2007.
- 3. The options became fully exercisable upon the closing of the initial public offering of the issuer.

G. Kirk Olsen, by Jeff D. Barlow, Attorney-in-Fact.

01/03/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Mark L. Andrews and Jeff D. Barlow, and each acting singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- 1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or stockholder of Molina Healthcare, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 and amendments thereto in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder; and
- 2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5 or amendment thereto and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and any stock exchange or similar authority.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transaction in securities of the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact. This Power of Attorney may be filed with the SEC as a confirming statement of the authority granted herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 2nd day of July, 2004.

/s/ G. Kirk Olsen Signature

G. Kirk Olsen Printed Name

Exhibit 24.1