FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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COOPERMAN DANIEL	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 03/11/2013 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MOLINA HEALTHCARE INC [MOH]										
(Last) (First) (Middle) 300 UNIVERSITY AVENUE			(Check a	onship of Reporting Person all applicable) Director	son(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)				
SUITE 100				Officer (give title below)	Other (spe below)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
(Street) SACRAMENTO CA 95825							X		More than One		
(City) (State) (Zip)											
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)				lly Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
Common Stock				700(1)	D						
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
L. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		ate	and 3. Title and Amount of Secur Underlying Derivative Securi			4. Convers or Exerc	cise	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Derivati Security	ve	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)			
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	03/11/2023		Common Stock	15,000	33.02	2	D			

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The shares are currently not vested. All shares will vest in full on March 31, 2013.
- 2. The options vest in one-third increments on each of March 11, 2014, March 11, 2015, and March 11, 2016.

<u>Jeff D. Barlow, by power of attorney for Daniel</u>

Cooperman.

03/13/2013

** 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 5 (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 Jeff D. Barlow and Codruta Boggs, 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 11th day of March, 2013.

/s/ Daniel Cooperman Signature

Daniel Cooperman Printed Name

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