

RespireRx Pharmaceuticals Inc.  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Lippa Arnold

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O RESPIRERX  
PHARMACEUTICALS INC., 126  
VALLEY ROAD, SUITE C

(Street)

GLEN ROCK, NJ 0

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
RespireRx Pharmaceuticals Inc.  
[RSPI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/18/2017

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)  
Executive Chairman and CSO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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)
			(A) or (D)	Code V	Amount	(D)	Price

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Common Stock Options (to purchase shares of Common Stock)	\$ 3.9	01/18/2017		A	50,000	<u>(1)</u> 01/18/2022	Common Stock 50,000
Common Stock Options (to purchase shares of Common Stock)	\$ 3.9	01/18/2017		J <sup>(2)</sup>	50,000	<u>(1)</u> 01/18/2017	Common Stock 50,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lippa Arnold C/O RESPIRERX PHARMACEUTICALS INC. 126 VALLEY ROAD, SUITE C GLEN ROCK, NJ 0	X		Executive Chairman and CSO	

## Signatures

/s/ Arnold Lippa                      01/20/2017  
 \*\*Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## 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) These Common Stock Options vest in three installments: 25 percent on January 18, 2017 (the grant date), 25 percent on March 31, 2017, and 50 percent on June 30, 2017.
- (2) Mr. Lippa transferred these Common Stock Options into a family trust for estate planning purposes. He is not the trustee and does not exercise voting or investment control over shares held in the trust but he is a beneficiary of the trust.

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