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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549								OMB Number:	3235-0287		
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See Instru 1(b).	ction	30(II) (vestment	Compan	y Ac	t OI 194	40			
(Print or Type R	esponses)										
LECHLEITER RICHARD A S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KINDRED HEALTHCARE, INC [KND]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date (Mont				e of Earliest Transaction n/Day/Year) 1/2012				Director 10% Owner XOfficer (give titleOther (specify below) below) Executive VP and CFO			
				endment, Date Original nth/Day/Year)				 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person 			
LOUISVILL	.E, KY 40202								More than One R		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-De	erivative S	Secur	ities Aco	quired, Disposed (of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or				5. Amount of Securities6. Ownershi Form: DirectBeneficially(D) orOwnedIndirect (I)Following(Instr. 4)ReportedTransaction(s)(Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	03/20/2012			Code V F	1,185	(D) D	Price \$ 9.59	107,324	D		
Common Stock								2,000	Ι	By wife as UTMA custodian for his children	

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

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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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. ofNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owna Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LECHLEITER RICHARD A 680 SOUTH FOURTH STREET LOUISVILLE, KY 40202			Executive VP and CFO				
Signatures							
Richard A. 03/2 Lechleiter	1/2012						

<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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