WICHMANN DAVID S
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WICHMANN DAVID S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O UNITEDHEALTH GROUP, 9900 BREN ROAD EAST

(Street)

MINNETONKA, MN 55343

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC [UNH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/21/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

__X__ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Chief Executive Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/21/2017		M		203,642	A	$ 33.94	919,420.087	D	
Common Stock	12/21/2017		F		114,255	D	$ 222.38	805,165.087	D	
Common Stock	12/22/2017		G	V	24,000	D	$ 0	781,165.087	D	
Common Stock								232.4578	I	by 401(k)

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)

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 Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Share
Stock Appreciation Rights	$ 33.94	12/21/2017		M		203,642		(1)	06/05/2018	Common Stock	203

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WICHMANN DAVID S C/O UNITEDHEALTH GROUP 9900 BREN ROAD EAST MINNETONKA, MN 55343	X		Chief Executive Officer	

Signatures

Dannette L. Smith, Attorney-in-Fact for: David S. Wichmann	12/26/2017
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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) The stock appreciation rights vested at a rate of 25% on June 5 from the years 2009 through 2012.

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