

Foster Richard N.  
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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 \*  
Foster Richard N.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ATHENAHEALTH INC [ATHN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ATHENAHEALTH, INC., 311 ARSENAL STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/02/2009

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

WATERTOWN, MA 02472

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Amount		
				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)**

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 40	11/02/2009	A <sup>(1)</sup>	60,000					01/19/2010 <sup>(2)</sup>	11/02/2019	Common Stock	60,000

### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Foster Richard N. C/O ATHENAHEALTH, INC. 311 ARSENAL STREET WATERTOWN, MA 02472	X			

### Signatures

/s/ Daniel H. Orenstein  
Attorney-in-Fact  
11/10/2009

\*\*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) This stock option was granted pursuant to Issuer's 2007 Stock Option and Incentive Plan and exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3. Subject to Reporting Person's continued directorship with Issuer, this option vests and becomes exercisable over a four-year period at a rate of 3,750 shares at the end of each three-month period following the vesting start date, October 19, 2009, until fully vested and exercisable on October 19, 2013.
- (2) rate of 3,750 shares at the end of each three-month period following the vesting start date, October 19, 2009, until fully vested and exercisable on October 19, 2013.

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