Miller Joan Elizabeth Form 4 February 16, 2012

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Zip)

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

Common

Stock

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Miller Joan Elizabeth

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

[DGX]

(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner

SVP-Oncology & Neurology Srvcs

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2012

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED, 3 GIRALDA **FARMS**

(First)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

(State)

02/15/2012

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

MADISON, NJ 07940

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Beneficially Form: Beneficial (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect Following (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

1,124 \$ F D 73,373 (2) D 56.8 (1)

Common 1.047 (3) I 401(k)/SDCP Stock

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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| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Director 10% Owner Other

Miller Joan Elizabeth C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED 3 GIRALDA FARMS MADISON, NJ 07940

SVP-Oncology & Neurology Srvcs

Signatures

/s/ William J. O'Shaughnessy, Jr., Attorney in Fact for Joan Elizabeth Miller

02/16/2012

**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).
- Disposition of common stock to the issuer solely to cover tax withholding obligations arising from the vesting of a previous grant of **(1)** restricted share units.
- (2) The amount includes exempt purchases made under the Company's stock purchase plan.
- These underlying shares were acquired on a periodic basis by the trustees of the Company's Profit Sharing (401(k)) and Supplemental Deferred Compensation Plans. The information was obtained from the plan administrators as of a recent date. The number of shares is (3) based on the account balance of the Company's stock fund under the Plans (which include some money market instruments), divided by the market price of the Company's stock as of that date.

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