

Miller Joan Elizabeth  
 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 \*  
 Miller Joan Elizabeth

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC  
 [DGX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/06/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 SVP-Pathology & Hosp. Services

C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS  
 INCORPORATED, 3 GIRALDA  
 FARMS

(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

MADISON, NJ 07940

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	11/06/2009		M	A	\$ 30.3425	64,761	D
Common Stock	11/06/2009		M	A	\$ 40.4275	80,761	D
Common Stock	11/06/2009		S	D	\$ 57.7	58,961 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Common Stock						4,479 <sup>(2)</sup>	I SDCP

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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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.3425	11/06/2009		M	5,800	<sup>(3)</sup> 10/14/2013	Common Stock	5,800
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.4275	11/06/2009		M	16,000	<sup>(4)</sup> 02/19/2014	Common Stock	16,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Miller Joan Elizabeth C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED 3 GIRALDA FARMS MADISON, NJ 07940			SVP-Pathology & Hosp. Services	

## Signatures

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

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) The amount includes exempt purchases made under the Company's stock purchase plan.

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These underlying shares were acquired on a periodic basis by the trustee of the Company's Supplemental Deferred Compensation Plan.

- (2) The information was obtained from the plan administrator as of a current date. The number of shares is based on the account balance of the Company stock fund under the Plan (which includes some money market instruments) divided by the market price of the Company's stock as of that date.
- (3) The options vested in three installments beginning with the first on October 14, 2004, the second on October 14, 2005 and the final on October 14, 2006.
- (4) The options vested in three installments beginning with the first on February 19, 2005, the second on February 19, 2006 and the final on February 19, 2007.

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