FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  WARD JONATHAN W     |   |  |  |                        | <u>CF</u>   | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CROSS COUNTRY HEALTHCARE INC [ CCRN ] |         |       |                                      |                   |  |  |                   |               | heck a                                    | tionship of Reportir<br>all applicable)<br>Director<br>Officer (give title |   | 10% C   |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 6551 PARK OF COMMERCE BLVD., N.W.     |   |  |  |                        | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2011   |   |         |       |                                      |                   |  |  |                   |               | below) Pres., Cross                       |  | below)  |   |  |
| (Street) BOCA R (City)  | ATON F  |  | 33487<br>(Zip)                                 |                        | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Fi Line)  X Form filed by One R Form filed by More to Person |   |         |       |                                      |                   |  | ne Re  |                   |               |   |  |   |   |  |
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| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date) |   |  |  |                        | Execution Date  |   | n Date, | Code  | Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5) |                   | ities Acquired (A<br>d Of (D) (Instr. 3, |  | (A) or<br>3, 4 an | d S<br>B<br>O | Securities<br>Beneficially                |  | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|   |   |  |  |                        |   |   | Code    | v     | Amount                               | Amount (A) or (D) |  | Price  | Ti                |               |   |  | (111511.4)  |   |  |
| Common Stock 10/01/   |   |  |  | /2011                  |   |   | F       |       | 559 <sup>(1</sup>                    | )                 | D  | \$4.18   |                   | 61,842        |   | D  |   |   |  |
|   |   | Ta   | able II - I                                    |                        |   |   |         |       |                                      |                   | sed of,<br>onvertib                      |  |                   |               | Owr                                       | ned  |   |   |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)           | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deeme<br>Execution<br>if any<br>(Month/Day | Date, 1<br>(xy/Year) 8 | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8)  |   |         |       | 6. Date Expirat (Month)              | ion Dai           |  | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instrand 4)  Amou or Numb of Title Share |                   | ount          | 8. Prico<br>Deriva<br>Securi<br>(Instr. ! | tive derivative<br>ty Securities   | ly  | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |

## Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares were withheld to satisfy Mr. Ward's tax withholding obligation for restricted stock which vested on October 1, 2011.

## Remarks:

/s/ Jonathan W. Ward

10/03/2011

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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