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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

Shawver Laura

(Last)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

CORNERSTONE THERAPEUTICS

INC [CRTX]

(Check all applicable)

1255 CRESCENT GREEN

DRIVE, SUITE 250

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/22/2013

X_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

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

CARY, NC 27518

Security

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4)

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)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of Derivative Conversion

5. Number of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities**

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Price of (Me		ny Code Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8		Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Common Stock (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.34	05/22/2013		A		15,000		<u>(1)</u>	05/22/2023	Common Stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Shawver Laura
1255 CRESCENT GREEN DRIVE
SUITE 250
CARY, NC 27518

Signatures

/s/ Andrew K.W. Powell, attorney in fact for Laura K. Shawver pursuant to a power of attorney

05/23/2013

**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).

Shares subject to these options vest in 12 approximately equal monthly installments with the first installment vesting as of June 22, 2013.

(1) These options were granted pursuant to the terms of Cornerstone Therapeutics Inc. Amended and Restated Non-Employee Director Compensation and Reimbursement Policy, effective May 18, 2011.

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