## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person*                         |  |        |           |          |   | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NeoStem, Inc. [ NBS ] |          |  |  |     |                    |   |                              |                       | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)                                 |  |   |   |  |            |  |  |
|---|--|--------|-----------|----------|---|---|----------|--|--|-----|--------------------|---|------------------------------|-----------------------|---|--|---|---|--|------------|--|--|
| Pecora Andrew L   |  |        |           |          | 1                                       | 000   | <u> </u> | <u></u> [ .  | 100 ]  |     |                    |   |                              |                       | X   | Direc  | tor   |   | 10% C  | wner       |  |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)                                       |  |        |           |          |   | Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)                     |          |  |  |     |                    |   |                              | $\dashv$              | X   | Office   | er (give title<br>v)  |   | Other below)   | (specify   |  |  |
| C/O NEOSTEM, INC.   |  |        |           |          |   | 04/12/2012  |          |  |  |     |                    |   |                              | Chief Medical Officer |   |  |   |   |  |            |  |  |
| 420 LEXINGTON AVENUE, SUITE 450                               |  |        |           |          |   |   |          |  |  |     |                    |   |                              |                       |   |  |   |   |  |            |  |  |
| (Street)  |  |        |           |          |   | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)          |          |  |  |     |                    |   |                              |                       | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)   |  |   |   |  |            |  |  |
| NEW YORK NY 10170   |  |        |           |          |   |   |          |  |  |     |                    |   |                              |                       | <ul> <li>X Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li>Form filed by More than One Reporting</li> </ul> |  |   |   |  |            |  |  |
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|   |  | Tabl   | e I - Nor | n-Deriva | ative                                   | Sec   | curitie  | s Acc  | quired,  | Dis | posed o            | f, o  | r Ben                        | efici                 | ally (  | Owne   | ed  |   |  |            |  |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date) |  |        |           |          | Execution Date,                         |   |          | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) |  |     |                    |   | 4 and Secur<br>Benef<br>Owne |                       | cially<br>I Following   | 6. Own<br>Form: I<br>(D) or I<br>(I) (Inst     | Direct<br>ndirect   | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |            |  |  |
|   |  |        |           |          |   |   |          |  | Code   | v   | Amount             |   | (A) or<br>(D)                | Price                 |   | Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |   |   |  | (111501.4) |  |  |
| Common stock, \$0.001 par value <sup>(1)</sup> 04/12/         |  |        |           |          |   | 2/2012  |          |  |  |     | 8,478              | 3   | A                            | \$ <mark>0</mark> .   | .32 2,013,982   |  | 13,982  | I   | D  |            |  |  |
|   | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |        |           |          |   |   |          |  |  |     |                    |   |                              |                       |   |  |   |   |  |            |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)           | erivative Conversion Date Execution Date, ecurity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any  |        |           |          | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |   | n of l   |  | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |     |                    | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4) |                              |                       |   |  | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction<br>(Instr. 4) | 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) |            |  |  |
|   |  |        |           |          | Code                                    | v   | (A)      |  | Date<br>Exercisal  |     | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | or<br>Nur<br>of              | nber                  |   |  |   |   |  |            |  |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Effective April 11, 2012, the Issuer and the Reporting Person entered into an amendment (the "Amendment") to the Reporting Person's employment agreement dated September 23, 2010, as amended. Pursuant to the terms of the Amendment, the Reporting Person agreed to receive, at his option on a quarterly basis, the amount of his net salary commencing with the pay period ending April 7, 2012, through the issuance to him by the Issuer of shares of the Issuer's common stock at the then-market price at the time of issuance for the applicable payroll date, under and subject to the terms and conditions of the Issuer's 2009 Equity Compensation Plan.

> Andrew A. Pecora, M.D. By: /s/ Catherine M. Vaczy, Esq., 04/16/2012 Attorney-in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- \* 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).

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