## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| 1. 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  |  |        |           |   |  | <u> </u>   |         |       |                            |     |   |   |   |   | X Dire  |   | ctor   |                      | 10% Owner  |   |  |
| (Last)   | t) (First) (Middle)  |        |           |   | 3. D   | Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)                        |         |       |                            |     |   |   |   | -   | X Office belo                                   |   | cer (give title<br>ow)                       |                      | Other (specify below)  |   |  |
| C/O NEOSTEM, INC.  |  |        |           | 03/   | 03/14/2013   |  |         |       |                            |     |   |   | Chief Medical Officer   |   |   |   |  |                      |  |   |  |
| 420 LEXINGTON AVENUE, SUITE 350  |  |        |           |   | <u> </u>   |  |         |       |                            |     |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |                      |  |   |  |
| (Street)   |  |        |           | 4. If   | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |  |         |       |                            |     |   |   |   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) |   |   |  |                      |  |   |  |
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| (City)   | (S   | ate) ( | Zip)      |   |  |  |         |       |                            |     |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |                      |  |   |  |
|  |  | Tabl   | e I - Nor | n-Deriv   | ative  | Sec  | curitie | s Acc | quired,                    | Dis | posed o   | f, oı   | r Bene  | eficia  | ally  | Owne  | ed   |                      |  |   |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)  |  |        |           |   |  | Execution Dat  |         |       | Transaction Code (Instr. 5 |     | Disposed  | 4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5) |   |   | 4 and Se<br>Be<br>Ov                            |   | 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  |   | (A) or<br>(D)   | Price   | Trai  |   | action(s)<br>3 and 4)                        |                      |  | (1130.4)  |  |
| Common Stock, \$0.001 par value <sup>(1)</sup> 03/14   |  |        |           |   | 1/2013   | 3  |         |       | A <sup>(1)</sup>           |     | 5,524   |   | A   | \$ <del>0</del> .   | 64  | 4 2,103,754   |  | D                    |  |   |  |
|  | 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) |  |        | Date,     | Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8)                                 |  | of<br>Derive<br>Secur<br>Acqu<br>(A) or<br>Dispo<br>of (D)<br>(Instr |         |       |                            |     | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4) |   | str. 3  | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)                  |   | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction<br>(Instr. 4) | Owner<br>Form<br>Direct<br>or Ind<br>(I) (In | :<br>t (D)<br>lirect | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |   |  |
|  |  |        |           |   | Code   | v  | (A)     | (D)   | Date<br>Exercisal          |     | Expiration<br>Date  | Title   | or<br>Nun<br>of   | ount<br>nber<br>ires  |   |   |  |                      |  |   |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. On August 20, 2012, the Issuer's Board of Directors approved an arrangement whereby the Reporting Person shall receive his net salary for his three out of five day workweek 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, under and subject to the terms and conditions of the Issuer's 2009 Equity Compensation Plan.

Andrew L. Pecora By: /s/

Catherine M. Vaczy, Esq.,

Attorney-in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

03/14/2013

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

- $^{\star}$  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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