

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Smith Ernest S.</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>VACCINEX, INC. [ VCNX ]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>SVP, Research &amp; CSO</u>		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/25/2020</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
C/O VACCINEX, INC. 1895 MOUNT HOPE AVENUE			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) ROCHESTER NY 14620								
(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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock								8,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	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)	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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$7.1							(2)	12/22/2025	Common Stock	40,729	40,729	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$7.1							(2)	12/23/2025	Common Stock	5,110	5,110	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$3.9							(3)	03/14/2029	Common Stock	8,000	8,000	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$6.07	02/25/2020		A		8,000		(4)	02/24/2030	Common Stock	8,000	\$0	8,000	D

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report, he transferred 8,000 shares of VCNX common stock to his ex-wife pursuant to a domestic relations order. The reporting person no longer reports as beneficially owned any securities owned by his ex-wife.
- Exercisable in full as of the date of this report.
- This option was granted under the Company's 2018 Omnibus Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3 and, except as otherwise provided in the award notice, vests one-fourth on each of the first four anniversaries of the March 15, 2019 grant date.
- This option was granted under the Company's 2018 Omnibus Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3 and, except as otherwise provided in the award notice, vests one-fourth on each of the first four anniversaries of the February 25, 2020 grant date.

**Remarks:**

/s/ Scott E. Royer, Attorney-in-Fact 02/26/2020

\*\* 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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