

# FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Newell Joe	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc. [ATRA]	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) _____ Chief Tech. Operations Officer
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ATARA BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC., 611 GATEWAY BLVD., SUITE 900	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2019	
(Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)	<b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b>	

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	02/06/2019		F(1)		2,212	D	\$ 38.47	29,646	D	
Common Stock	02/06/2019		A		17,500(2)	D	\$ 0	47,146	D	

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)**

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 Underlying Securities (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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.47	02/06/2019		A		35,000	(3)	02/05/2029	Common Stock	35,000	\$ 0	35,000	D	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Newell Joe C/O ATARA BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC. 611 GATEWAY BLVD., SUITE 900 SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080			Chief Tech. Operations Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ David Tucker, Attorney-in-Fact for Joe Newell	02/08/2019
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).

(1) Shares withheld to cover tax obligation from settlement of vested restricted stock units.

(2) These restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments on each of the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date, subject to the reporting person's

continuous service.

(3) 1/48th of the shares subject to the stock option vest and become exercisable each month following February 6, 2019, subject to the reporting person's continuous service.

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