

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 * Benaim Ely		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol REXAHN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [RNN]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ____ Director X Officer (give title below) 10% Owner ____ Other (specify below) Chief Medical Officer			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O REXAHN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 15245 SHADY GROVE ROAD, SUITE 455		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/07/2018					
(Street) ROCKVILLE, MD 20850		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(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			

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.78	03/07/2018		A	200,000	(1) 03/07/2028	Common Stock 200,000	\$ 0	200,000	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Benaim Ely C/O REXAHN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 15245 SHADY GROVE ROAD, SUITE 455 ROCKVILLE, MD 20850			Chief Medical Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Douglas J. Swirsky, as attorney-in-fact for Ely Benaim	03/09/2018
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) One quarter of the option vests and becomes exercisable on March 7, 2019, and, thereafter, 1/36th of the remaining option vests in equal installments on the first business day of each month until fully vested.

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