

Shaw Allan
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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 *
 Shaw Allan

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O VIVUS, INC., 900 E.
 HAMILTON AVE., SUITE 550

(Street)

CAMPBELL, CA 95008

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 VIVUS INC [VVUS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 11/15/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	11/15/2017		M	1,389 A	\$ 54,936	D	
Common Stock	11/15/2017		D ⁽²⁾	481 D	\$ 0.6551	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 or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	11/15/2017		M	1,389	(3) (3)	Common Stock	1,389

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Shaw Allan C/O VIVUS, INC. 900 E. HAMILTON AVE., SUITE 550 CAMPBELL, CA 95008			X	

Signatures

/s/ Julie Hollenback,
Attorney-in-Fact

11/17/2017

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) Restricted stock units converted into VIVUS, Inc. common stock on a 1-for-1 basis upon vesting.
- (2) The reporting person did not sell or otherwise dispose of any of the shares reported on this Form 4 for any reason other than by way of forfeiture to VIVUS, Inc. in order to cover estimated tax liability.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest according to the following schedule: 8/36ths of the total restricted stock units originally granted vested on May 15, 2016, and an additional 1/36th of the total restricted stock units originally granted vest on the 15th of each month thereafter, subject to the individual continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the VIVUS, Inc. 2010 Equity Incentive Plan) on the relevant vesting dates.

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