FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Last) C/O VIVUS, I		(Middle)			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
351 EAST EV	ELYN AVEN	UE			X	Officer (give title below)	Other (spe	ecify		lividual or Joint cable Line)	d/Group Filing (Check	
(Street)						Chief Executive	Officer		X	Form filed by	y One Reporting Person	
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Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

No securities are beneficially owned.

/s/ Julie Hollenback, by power of attorney

09/05/2013

** 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 5 (b)(v).
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POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned, as a Section 16 reporting person of VIVUS, Inc. (the "Company"), hereby constitutes and appoints Julie Hollenback, Timothy E. Morris, Lee B. Perry and John L. Slebir, the undersigned's true and lawful attorneys-in-fact to:

- 1. complete and execute Forms 4 and 5 and other forms and all amendments thereto as such attorneys-in-fact shall in their discretion determine to be required or advisable pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (as amended) and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, or any successor laws and regulations, as a consequence of the undersigned's ownership, acquisition or disposition of securities of the Company; and
- 2. do all acts necessary in order to file such forms with the Securities and Exchange Commission, any securities exchange or national association, the Company and such other person or agency as the attorneys-in-fact shall deem appropriate.

The undersigned hereby ratifies and confirms all that said attorneys-in-fact and agent shall do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, is not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (as amended).

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the Company and the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 3rd day of September, 2013.

Signature: /s/ Seth H. Z. Fischer

Print Name: Seth H. Z. Fischer