FORM 3

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Add <u>King-Jones</u>		(	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)  11/13/2019  3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Axcella Health Inc. [ AXLA ]										
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O AXCELLA HEALTH INC. 840 MEMORIAL DRIVE  (Street)		NC.			4. Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable) Director X Officer (give title below) General Counsel, S		10% Owner Other (specify below)		5. If Amendment, Date of 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				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)								Reporting P			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned													
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					2. Amount of Securities Seneficially Owned (Instr. 4)  3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		t (D)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)					
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)													
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (In		(Instr. 4) Conve		ersion ercise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
			Date Exercisable	Expiratior Date	n Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Price o Derivat Securit	ive	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)			
Stock Option (	Right to Buy)		(1)	02/06/2028	В	Common Stock	46,145	6.5	2	D			
Stock Option (Right to Buy)			(2)	03/11/2029	9	Common Stock	16,286	13.8	33	D			

## ${\bf Explanation\ of\ Responses:}$

- 1. 25% of this option vested and became exercisable on January 2, 2019, with the remainder vesting in 12 equal quarterly installments thereafter.
- 2. 25% of this option shall vest and become exercisable on March 1, 2020, with the remainder vesting in 12 equal quarterly installments thereafter.

#### Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

/s/ Heidy King-Jones 11/25/2019

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

 $Reminder: Report \ on \ a \ separate \ line \ for \ each \ class \ of \ securities \ beneficially \ owned \ directly \ or \ indirectly.$ 

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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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#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

to:

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Laurent Chardonnet the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact

- execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Axcella Health Inc. (the "Company"), (i) Form ID, including any attached documents, to effect the assignment of codes to the undersigned to be used in the transmission of information to the United States Securities and Exchange Commission using the EDGAR System, (ii) Forms 3, 4 and 5, (iii) Schedule 13D, (iv) Schedule 13G and (v) amendments of each thereof, in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules thereunder;
- do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5, Schedule 13D. Schedule 13G or any amendments thereto and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 or Regulation 13D-G of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The undersigned hereby agrees to indemnify the attorney-in-fact and the Company from and against any demand, damage, loss, cost or expense arising from any false or misleading information provided by the undersigned to the attorney-in-fact.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 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 foregoing attorneys-in-fact. This Power of Attorney may be filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission as a confirming statement of the authority granted herein. This Power of Attorney supersedes any prior power of attorney in connection with the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of the Company. This Power of Attorney shall expire as to any individual attorney-in-fact if such attorney-in-fact ceases to be an executive officer of the Company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 25th day of November, 2019.

/s/ Heidy King-Jones Name: Heidy King-Jones