

DANIEL DONALD K

Form 5

January 21, 2009

**FORM 5****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**Check this box if  
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5 obligations  
may continue.See Instruction  
1(b).Form 3 Holdings  
Reported  
Form 4  
Transactions  
Reported**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL  
OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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response... 1.01. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
DANIEL DONALD K

(Last) (First) (Middle)

100 VINE ST., SUITE 1200

(Street)

MURFREESBORO, TN 37130

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
NATIONAL HEALTHCARE CORP  
[NHC]3. Statement of Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/20084. 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)

Senior V.P. &amp; Controller

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

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Person**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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Shares of Common Stock	12/31/2008	Â	G	200 D \$ 0	199,533 (1)	I	Partnership
Shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â Â Â	141,073	I	Partnership

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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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option-"Right to Buy"	\$ 20.9	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	02/22/2009 03/23/2009	Common Stock 15,6

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
DANIEL DONALD K 100 VINE ST., SUITE 1200 MURFREESBORO, TN 37130	Â Â Â Senior V.P. & Controller Â

## Signatures

Donald K.  
Daniel 01/21/2009

\*\*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) 493 shares were acquired pursuant to Employee Stock Purchase Plan for Plan Year 2008, with 200 shares being gifted to adult children.

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