

BRADLEY DONALD D  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
BRADLEY DONALD D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NATIONWIDE HEALTH PROPERTIES INC [NHP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
610 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE,  
SUITE 1150  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/29/2010

\_\_\_\_ Director  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) EVP & Chief Investment Officer  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Amount		
			Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	01/29/2010		F		1,482.35	D	\$ 0
					139,877.0206	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)**

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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	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)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options - Right to Buy	\$ 31.97	02/09/2010		A	36,700	<u>(2)</u>	02/09/2020		Common Stock	36,700	

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
BRADLEY DONALD D 610 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 1150 NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660			EVP & Chief Investment Officer		

**Signatures**

/s/ Donald D. Bradley	02/11/2010
**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) Shares withheld by NHP to cover tax withholding due in connection with the vesting of restricted stock and restricted stock units previously awarded.
  - (2) The options will vest with respect to 33 1/3% of the options on the first anniversary of the date of grant and each year thereafter so that the options will be fully vested on the third anniversary of the date of grant.

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