BRADLEY DONALD D

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(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 | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/12/2011 | Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & Chief Investment Officer | | |
| (Street) 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 | | |

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|--------------------------------------|--|---|---|---|-----------|---|---|---|---------|
| (City) | (State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own | | | | | | | | y 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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | or (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock | 05/12/2011 | | M | 3,828 | A | \$ 19.6 | 165,743.6106 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/12/2011 | | M | 10,938 | A | \$ 14.2 | 176,681.6106 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/12/2011 | | M | 14,000 | A | \$ 21.29 | 190,681.6106 | D | |
| Common Stock (1) | 05/12/2011 | | F | 19,907 | D | \$ 43.49 | 170,774.6106 | 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative 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 Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--------|--|--------------------|---|------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amou or Numb of Sha |
| Employee Stock Options - Right to Buy | \$ 19.6 | 05/12/2011 | | M | | 3,828 | 01/21/2003(2) | 01/21/2013 | Common Stock | 3,82 |
| Employee Stock Options - Right to Buy | \$ 14.2 | 05/12/2011 | | M | | 10,938 | 01/28/2004(3) | 01/28/2014 | Common Stock | 10,9 |
| Employee Stock Options - Right to Buy | \$ 21.29 | 05/12/2011 | | M | | 14,000 | 10/19/2005 <u>(4)</u> | 10/19/2015 | Common Stock | 14,0 |

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/ William Wagner,
attorney-in-fact 05/13/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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 exercise price of stock options exercised and tax withholding due in connection with the gain on non-qualified stock options exercised.
- (2) The options became exercisable in three tranches on January 21, 2003, January 21, 2004 and January 21, 2005.
- (3) The options became exercisable in three tranches on January 28, 2004, January 28, 2005 and January 28, 2006.
- (4) The options became exercisable in three tranches on October 19, 2005, October 19, 2006 and October 19, 2007.

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