

UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC  
Form S-8  
April 12, 2018

As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 12, 2018

Registration No. 333-\_\_\_\_\_

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

**FORM S-8**  
**REGISTRATION STATEMENT**  
***UNDER***  
***THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933***

**UnitedHealth Group Incorporated**  
**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction of**  
**incorporation or organization)**  
**UnitedHealth Group Center**

**41-1321939**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
**Identification Number)**  
**55343**

**9900 Bren Road East**

**Minnetonka, Minnesota**

**(Address of Principal Executive Offices)**

**(Zip Code)**

**UNITEDHEALTH GROUP EXECUTIVE SAVINGS PLAN**

**(Full title of the plan)**

**Marianne D. Short**

**Executive Vice President and Chief Legal Officer**

**UnitedHealth Group Center**

**9900 Bren Road East**

**Minnetonka, Minnesota 55343**

**(Name and address of agent for service)**

**(952) 936-1300**

**(Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)**

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, and emerging growth company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act.

**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

<b>Title of securities to be registered</b>	<b>Amount to be registered</b>	<b>Proposed maximum offering price per share</b>	<b>Proposed maximum aggregate offering price<sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>Amount of registration fee</b>
Deferred Compensation Obligations(1)	\$ 500,000,000	100%	\$ 500,000,000	\$ 62,250.00

- (1) The Deferred Compensation Obligations are unsecured obligations of UnitedHealth Group Incorporated to pay deferred compensation from time to time in accordance with the terms of the UnitedHealth Group Executive Savings Plan.
- (2) Solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(h) under the Securities Act of 1933, the amount of deferred compensation obligations registered is based on an estimate of the amount of compensation participants may defer under the UnitedHealth Group Executive Savings Plan.

**PART I.**

**INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS**

The documents containing the information specified in Part I of Form S-8 will be sent or given to participants in the UnitedHealth Group Executive Savings Plan (the Plan), as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act). Such documents need not be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), either as part of this registration statement or as prospectuses or prospectus supplements pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act. These documents and the documents incorporated by reference pursuant to Item 3 of Part II of this registration statement, taken together, constitute the prospectus required by Section 10(a) of the Securities Act.

**PART II.**

**INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT**

**Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.**

The following documents, which have been filed with the SEC by UnitedHealth Group Incorporated (the Company), are incorporated by reference in this registration statement:

(a) The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, filed with the SEC on February 13, 2018; and

(b) The Company's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on February 15, 2018 and March 13, 2018.

All documents subsequently filed by the Company pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this registration statement and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents; provided, however, that documents or information deemed to have been furnished and not filed in accordance with SEC rules shall not be deemed incorporated by reference in this registration statement. Any statement contained herein or in a document incorporated by reference in this registration statement shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this registration statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or amended, to constitute a part of this registration statement.

**Item 4. Description of Securities.**

The securities offered hereby are deferred compensation obligations of the Company, which are being offered to eligible employees of the Company and its participating affiliates under the Plan. The Plan permits participants to defer, in accordance with the terms of the Plan, base salary and cash incentive compensation (the Cash Deferrals). The amount of compensation to be deferred by each participant will be based on elections by each participant under the terms of the Plan. The Company will credit to participants' deferral accounts certain amounts specified in the Plan related to matching contributions on Cash Deferrals. The Company may also, but is not required to, credit any additional amount it desires to any participant's account.

The deferred amounts described above (including the Cash Deferrals and additional amounts credited by the Company to a participant's account) will be credited with earnings and investment gains and losses by assuming that the amounts were invested in one or more investment alternatives selected by the participant in accordance with the terms of the Plan. The deemed investment alternatives include various investment funds with different degrees of risk. Participants may reallocate amounts among the various deemed investment alternatives each business day when the New York Stock Exchange is open. These deemed investment alternatives are merely measuring tools to determine the value of the participant's account, and the Company is not required to invest any amounts as a result of these elections.

The Plan is an unfunded and unsecured liability of the Company and benefits are paid from the Company's general assets. The benefits payable under the Plan are future obligations of the Company and are dependent on the Company's financial condition and creditworthiness. Although the Company has established a rabbi trust which

holds assets that are used solely to pay benefits to Plan participants, participants do not have any preferential right to any assets in the rabbi trust. In the event of the Company's insolvency or bankruptcy, the rabbi trust assets are treated like other corporate assets of the Company and are subject to the claims of the Company's creditors. Claims for deferred compensation will be treated like any other claim by the Company's unsecured creditors, with no special preference for participants in the Plan. Therefore, if the Company becomes insolvent or bankrupt, participants in the Plan could lose some or all of their benefits under the Plan. All amounts payable to participants under the Plan are denominated in U.S. dollars and will be payable on the date or dates selected by each participant in accordance with the terms of the Plan or on such other date or dates as specified in the Plan. Rights to payment under the Plan are not convertible into another security of the Company.

The Company reserves the right to amend the Plan prospectively, retroactively or both, at any time, including the right to terminate the Plan completely. No amendment will reduce a participant's account balance as of the date of such amendment. In no event will the Company be responsible for any decline in a participant's account balance as a result of the selection, discontinuation, addition, substitution, crediting or debiting of one or more investment alternatives.

A participant's rights or the rights of any other person to receive payment of deferred compensation obligations under the Plan may not be sold, assigned, transferred, pledged, garnished or encumbered, except by a written designation of a death beneficiary under the Plan.

The foregoing summarizes the material terms and provisions of the deferred compensation obligations. It is not a complete legal description of the deferred compensation obligations and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Plan.

#### **Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.**

Faraz A. Choudhry, who has given an opinion of counsel with respect to the securities to which this registration statement relates, is an employee and officer (Senior Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary) of the Company. Mr. Choudhry owns Company securities and is eligible to participate in various employee benefit plans of the Company, including the Plan.

#### **Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.**

*Delaware General Corporation Law.* The Company is incorporated under the laws of Delaware. Section 145(a) of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "Delaware General Corporation Law") provides that a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation), by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if the person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe the person's conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner which the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that the person's conduct was unlawful.

Section 145(b) of the Delaware General Corporation Law states that a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the

right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit if the person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation and except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the Delaware Court of Chancery or the court in which such action or

II-2

suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses as the Delaware Court of Chancery or such other court shall deem proper.

Section 145(c) of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides that, to the extent that a present or former director or officer of a corporation has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to in subsections (a) and (b) of Section 145, or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, such person shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection therewith.

Section 145(d) of the Delaware General Corporation Law states that any indemnification under subsections (a) and (b) of Section 145 (unless ordered by a court) shall be made by the corporation only as authorized in the specific case upon a determination that indemnification of the present or former director, officer, employee or agent is proper in the circumstances because the person has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in subsections (a) and (b) of Section 145. Such determination shall be made with respect to a person who is a director or officer at the time of such determination (1) by a majority vote of the directors who are not parties to such action, suit or proceeding, even though less than a quorum, (2) by a committee of such directors designated by majority vote of such directors, even though less than a quorum, (3) if there are no such directors, or if such directors so direct, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion or (4) by the shareholders.

Section 145(f) of the Delaware General Corporation Law states that the indemnification and advancement of expenses provided by, or granted pursuant to, the other subsections of Section 145 shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which those seeking indemnification or advancement of expenses may be entitled under any bylaw, agreement, vote of shareholders or disinterested directors or otherwise, both as to action in such person's official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding such office.

Section 145(g) of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides that a corporation shall have the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against any liability asserted against such person and incurred by such person in any such capacity or arising out of such person's status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such liability under the provisions of Section 145.

Section 145(j) of the Delaware General Corporation Law states that the indemnification and advancement of expenses provided by, or granted pursuant to, Section 145 shall, unless otherwise provided when authorized or ratified, continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of such a person.

*Certificate of Incorporation.* The Company's Certificate of Incorporation provides that, to the fullest extent permissible under the Delaware General Corporation Law, the Company's directors shall not be personally liable to the Company or its shareholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except that a director shall be liable to the extent provided by applicable law (1) for breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Company or its shareholders, (2) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (3) pursuant to Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law regarding the unlawful payment of dividends or stock redemptions or repurchases or (4) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

*Bylaws.* The Company's Bylaws provide that the Company shall indemnify and hold harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law as it presently exists or may hereafter be amended, any person who was or is made or is threatened to be made a party or is otherwise involved in any threatened, pending, or completed action, suit or



proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, because he or she, or a person for whom he or she is the legal representative, is or was a director or officer of the Company or, while a director or officer of the Company, is or was serving at the request of the Company as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, enterprise or nonprofit entity, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, against all liability and loss suffered and expenses (including attorneys' fees) reasonably incurred by such person.

The Company's Bylaws provide that the Company shall advance to indemnified persons expenses incurred in defending any such proceedings, subject to an obligation to repay amounts so advanced if it shall ultimately be determined by final judicial decision from which there is no further right to appeal that such indemnified person is not entitled to be indemnified for such expenses under the Company's Bylaws or otherwise.

*Indemnification Agreements.* The Company has entered into an indemnification agreement with each of its directors and executive officers, which provides, among other things, that the Company will indemnify each such person to the fullest extent permitted by law, subject to certain conditions, against all expenses and certain other amounts actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with proceedings in which such person is involved, or is threatened to become involved, because such person is or was a director or officer of the Company, by reason of any action or inaction on the part of such person, or by reason of the fact that such person is or was serving at the request of the Company as a director, officer, trustee, partner, managing member, fiduciary, employee or agent of any other enterprise. The indemnification agreement also requires the Company, under certain circumstances, to advance expenses incurred by such person in connection with the investigation, defense, settlement or appeal of any such proceedings.

*Other Insurance.* The Company maintains directors and officers liability insurance which covers certain liabilities and expenses of the Company's directors and officers and covers the Company for reimbursement of payments to the Company's directors and officers in respect of such liabilities and expenses.

\* \* \* \* \*

The above discussion of the Company's Certificate of Incorporation, Bylaws, indemnification agreements and insurance arrangements, as well as the Delaware General Corporation Law, is not intended to be exhaustive and is qualified in its entirety by reference to such Certificate of Incorporation, Bylaws, indemnification agreements, insurance arrangements and statutes.

**Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.**

Not applicable.

**Item 8. Exhibits.**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
4.1	<u>UnitedHealth Group Executive Savings Plan (2004 Statement) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(e) of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003).</u>
4.2	<u>First Amendment to UnitedHealth Group Executive Savings Plan (2004 Statement) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on November 3, 2006).</u>
4.3	<u>Second Amendment to UnitedHealth Group Executive Savings Plan (2004 Statement) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.13 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007).</u>
4.4	<u>Third Amendment to UnitedHealth Group Executive Savings Plan (2004 Statement) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.17 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008).</u>
4.5	<u>Fourth Amendment to UnitedHealth Group Executive Savings Plan (2004 Statement) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2010).</u>
4.6	<u>Fifth Amendment to UnitedHealth Group Executive Savings Plan (2004 Statement) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2014).</u>
4.7	<u>Sixth Amendment to UnitedHealth Group Executive Savings Plan (2004 Statement) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2015).</u>
4.8	<u>Seventh Amendment to UnitedHealth Group Executive Savings Plan (2004 Statement) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.24 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016).</u>
4.9	<u>Eighth Amendment to UnitedHealth Group Executive Savings Plan (2004 Statement).</u>
5.1	<u>Opinion of Faraz A. Choudhry, the Company's Senior Associate General Counsel.</u>
23.1	<u>Consent of Faraz A. Choudhry, the Company's Senior Associate General Counsel (included in Exhibit 5.1).</u>
23.2	<u>Consent of Deloitte &amp; Touche LLP.</u>
24.1	<u>Power of Attorney.</u>

**Item 9. Undertakings.**

(a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the SEC pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the Calculation of Registration Fee table in the effective registration statement; and

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

*provided, however*, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the SEC by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

II-6

---

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Minnetonka, State of Minnesota, on April 12, 2018.

**UNITEDHEALTH GROUP  
INCORPORATED**

By: /s/ David S. Wichmann  
David S. Wichmann

Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on April 12, 2018.

<b>Signature</b>	<b>Title</b>
/s/ David S. Wichmann	Director and Chief Executive Officer
David S. Wichmann	(principal executive officer)
/s/ John F. Rex	Chief Financial Officer
John F. Rex	(principal financial officer)
/s/ Thomas E. Roos	Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer
Thomas E. Roos	(principal accounting officer)
*	Director
William C. Ballard, Jr.	
*	Director
Richard T. Burke	
*	Director
Timothy P. Flynn	
*	Director
Stephen J. Hemsley	

\* Director

Michele J. Hooper

\* Director

Rodger A. Lawson

Director

F. William McNabb III

\* Director

Valerie C. Montgomery Rice

<b>Signature</b>	<b>Title</b>
*	Director
Glenn M. Renwick	
*	Director
Kenneth I. Shine, M.D.	
*	Director
Gail R. Wilensky, Ph.D.	

\* The undersigned, by signing below, does hereby execute this registration statement on behalf of the directors of UnitedHealth Group Incorporated listed above pursuant to the Power of Attorney filed herewith as Exhibit 24.1.

By: /s/ Faraz A. Choudhry  
Faraz A. Choudhry  
*As Attorney-In-Fact*