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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 or 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 2, 2005 (August 2, 2005)

National HealthCare Corporation

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Delaware</u> (State of Incorporation) 001-13489

52-2057472

(Commission File No.) (IRS Employer

Identification Number)

100 Vine Street

Murfreesboro, TN 37130

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(615) 890-2020

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 1, 2005, National HealthCare Corporation issued a press release announcing its 2005 second quarter results. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

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National HealthCare Corporation

By: <u>/s/ Robert G. Adams</u>
Name: Robert G. Adams

Title: Chief Executive Officer

Date: August 2, 2005

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99 Press release, dated August 1, 2005

Exhibit 99

For release: August 1, 2005

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NHC reports second quarter earnings up 23.5%

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. -- National HealthCare Corporation (AMEX: NHC), today announced net income for the quarter ended June 30 of \$5,908,000 or 48 cents per basic share compared to \$4,784,000 or 41 cents per basic share for the same period last year, an increase of 23.5% and 17.1%, respectively.

Net revenues for the quarter were \$134,330,000 versus \$122,737,000 for the same period a year earlier.

For the six months ended June 30, net income was up to \$10,822,000 compared to \$8,737,000 for the same period last year, an increase of 23.9%. Earnings per share for the six months rose to \$.88 per basic share compared to \$.75 per basic share, an increase of 17.3%. Net revenues for the six months ended June 30 climbed to \$265,045,000 compared to \$242,681,000 for 2004.

NHC provides services to 74 long-term health care centers with 9,177 beds. NHC also operates 31 homecare programs, six independent living centers and assisted living centers at 22 locations. NHC's other services include managed care specialty medical units, Alzheimer's units, hospice and a rehabilitation services company. In order to understand in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of NHC, the investor must review our most recent Form 10-Q quarterly report, Form 10-K annual report and press releases which are available on our web site at www.NHCcare.com.

Statements in this press release that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements. NHC cautions investors that any forward-looking statements made involve risks and uncertainties and are not guarantees of future performance. All forward-looking statements represent NHC's best judgment as of the date of this release.

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Condensed Statements of Income								
(in thousands except share and per share	Three Months Ended June 30				Six Months Ended June 30			
		2005		2004		2005		2004
Revenues:								
Net patient revenues	\$	118,759	\$	107,262	\$	235,091	\$	213,960
Other revenues		15,571		15,475		29,954		28,721
Net revenues	\$	<u>134,330</u>	\$	<u>122,737</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>265,045</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>242,681</u>
Costs and Expenses:								
Salaries, wages and benefits	\$	72,071	\$	66,053	\$	142,584	\$	132,042
Other operating		37,679		34,552		74,775		68,027
Writeoff of notes receivable						1,000		
Rent		10,855		10,429		20,811		20,918
Depreciation and amortization		3,728		3,380		7,442		6,444
Interest		378		290		808		543
Total costs and expenses	\$	<u>124,711</u>	\$	<u>114,704</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>247,420</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>227,974</u>
Income Before Income Taxes		9,619		8,033		17,625		14,707
Income Tax Provisions	(3,711)			(3,249)		(6,803)		(5,970)
Net Income	\$	<u>5,908</u>	\$	<u>4,784</u>		<u>10,822</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>8,737</u>
Earnings Per Share:								
Basic	\$.48	\$.41	\$.88	\$.75
Diluted	\$.46	\$.38	\$.85	\$.71
Weighted average common shares								
Basic		12,240,890		11,671,786		12,235,437		11,667,794
Diluted		12,753,192		12,430,394		12,753,444		12,275,863
Balance Sheet Data		June 30		December 31				
(in thousands)		2005		2004				
Cash, restricted cash and marketable	\$	183,553	\$	168,721				
Current assets		239,374		227,734				
Total assets		385,575		373,117				
Current liabilities		131,300		128,605				
Long-term obligations		30,559		30,726				
Deferred lease credits		5,053		5,452				
Deferred income		27,597		25,112				
Stockholder's equity		190,135		182,348				