

NATIONWIDE HEALTH PROPERTIES INC  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 Snyder David E

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)  
 01/29/2008

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Vice President & Controller

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	01/29/2008		F	248 D \$ 32.5	20,568.08	D	
Common Stock					100	I	By Wife's IRA
Common Stock	01/29/2008		A	700 A \$ 0	21,268.08	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. 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 of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 32.19	01/29/2008		A	20,000	01/29/2011 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/29/2011			Common Stock	20,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Snyder David E 610 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 1150 NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660			Vice President & Controller	

## Signatures

/s/ David E. Snyder 01/31/2008

\*\*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 previously awarded.

(2) The stock appreciation rights will vest with respect to 33 1/3% on the first anniversary of the date of grant and each year thereafter so that the stock appreciation rights will be fully vested on the third anniversary of the date of grant.

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