HEALTH CARE REIT INC /DE/

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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and A Miller Jeffre | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HEALTH CARE REIT INC /DE/ [HCN] | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|---------|--|--|--------------|--|---|--|--|----------|--|
| (Last) 4500 DORF | , | Middle) | f Earliest Transaction Day/Year) 011 | | | | Director 10% Owner Sofficer (give title Other (specify below) below) EVP-Operations & Gen. Counsel | | | | |
| | | | | If Amendment, Date Original ed(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 | | | | | | | | | ly Owned | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | any | | emed on Date, if 'Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 3, 4 and Year) (Instr. 8) (A) or | | | d of (D) 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) | | |
| Common Stock | 07/01/2011 | | | Code V M | Amount 2,500 | (D) | Price \$ 36.5 | 56,241 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 07/01/2011 | | | S <u>(1)</u> | 2,500 | D | \$ 52.44 | 53,741 | 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 on 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 |
| Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 36.5 | 07/01/2011 | | M | 2,500 | 01/15/2007(2) | 01/23/2016 | Common | 5,000 (2) |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Miller Jeffrey H 4500 DORR STREET TOLEDO, OH 43615

EVP-Operations & Gen. Counsel

Signatures

By: Erin C. Ibele Attorney-in-Fact For: Jeffrey H. Miller

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07/05/2011

**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) The shares covered by this Form 4 have been sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plan dated November 8, 2010.
 - Options for the purchase of 8,191 shares of common stock at \$36.50 per share were granted to Mr. Miller on January 23, 2006, which grant has previously been reported. The partial exercise of these options for the purchase of 3,191 shares has previously been reported. Of
- (2) the remaining options, options for the purchase of 320 shares vested on January 15 of each of 2007 and 2008, options for the purchase of 1,085 shares vested on January 15, 2009, options for the purchase of 1,638 shares vested on January 15, 2010 and options for the purchase of 1,637 shares vested on January 15, 2011.
- (3) The options were granted under the Health Care REIT, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan and had no acquisition price.

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