

ANDREWS R BRUCE  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
ANDREWS R BRUCE

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/18/2009

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

610 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 1150

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/18/2009		M	V	31,319 A \$ 20.5625	189,188	D
Common Stock	05/18/2009		S	D	31,319 D \$ 26.0507 (1)	157,869	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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Options - Right to Buy	\$ 20.5625	05/18/2009		M	31,319	01/22/2000 <sup>(2)</sup> 01/22/2010	Common Stock 31,319

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ANDREWS R BRUCE 610 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE SUITE 1150 NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660	X			

## Signatures

/s/ R. Bruce  
Andrews  
Date: 05/20/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## 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) This price represents the weighted average sale price for multiple transactions reported on this line. The price of the transactions reported on this line ranged from \$26.0000 to \$26.1304. Upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer or security holder of the issuer, the reporting person will undertake to provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range.
- (2) The options became exercisable in three tranches on January 22, 2000, January 22, 2001 and January 22, 2002.

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