

McIntosh Leroy E. Jr.
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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 *
McIntosh Leroy E. Jr.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NATIONAL HEALTHCARE CORP
[NHC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
100 VINE STREET
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/19/2019

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
SVP, Anc Srvc & Srvc Strategy

MURFREESBORO, TN 37130
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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		
Shares of Common Stock held in my name or my spouse's name	02/19/2019		M		8,000 ⁽¹⁾ \$ 60.73	8,000	D
Shares of Common Stock held in my name or my	02/19/2019		F		6,439 ⁽²⁾ \$ 84.03	1,561 ⁽³⁾	D

spouse's
name

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)
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 60.73	02/19/2019		M	8,000 (1)	02/14/2019 ⁽¹⁾ 03/11/2022	Common Stock 32,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
McIntosh Leroy E. Jr. 100 VINE STREET MURFREESBORO, TN 37130			SVP, Anc Srvc & Srvc Strategy	

Signatures

/s/ Leroy E. McIntosh, Jr. 02/21/2019

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) These stock options were granted pursuant to the Company's 2010 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan on March 14, 2018. On February 14, 2019, the Compensation Committee amended the option to grant a 30 day window to exercise up to 25% of this option, with any shares

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issued upon exercise to be held as restricted stock until 2/9/22, the original date exercisable. The grant and exercise of these stock options are exempt from Section 16(b) pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d).

- (2) Shares were withheld by the Company to pay the exercise price and withholding tax obligations.
- (3) Total amount of common shares owned following transactions reported on this form.

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