BRADLEY DONALD D

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1(b).

Common

Stock (1)

01/29/2010

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading BRADLEY DONALD D Issuer Symbol NATIONWIDE HEALTH (Check all applicable) PROPERTIES INC [NHP] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 610 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE. 01/29/2010 **EVP & Chief Investment Officer SUITE 1150** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660 Person (State) (Zip) (City) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Following Direct (D) (Instr. 8) Ownership Reported or Indirect (Instr. 4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

Code V

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Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

139,877.0206

(I)

D

(Instr. 4)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

(A)

or

(D)

Amount

1.482.35 D

Price

\$0

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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 of orDerivative 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
Employee Stock Options - Right to Buy	\$ 31.97	02/09/2010		A	36,700	<u>(2)</u>	02/09/2020	Common Stock	36,700

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BRADLEY DONALD D 610 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 1150 NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

EVP & Chief Investment Officer

Signatures

/s/ Donald D. 02/11/2010 Bradley

**Signature of Date 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) Shares withheld by NHP to cover tax withholding due in connection with the vesting of restricted stock and restricted stock units previously awarded.
- (2) The options will vest with respect to 33 1/3% of the options on the first anniversary of the date of grant and each year thereafter so that the options will be fully vested on the third anniversary of the date of grant.

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