Torres Kathryn A. Form 4 February 02, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Torres Kathryn A.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HCA Healthcare, Inc. [HCA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
ONE PARK PLAZA (Street)			01/31/2018	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
				SVP-Payer Contracting & Align.			
			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
NASHVILLE, TN 37203				_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								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	01/31/2018		Code V M	Amount 4,300	(D)	Price \$ 22.95	4,856	D		
Common Stock	01/31/2018		M	7,750	A	\$ 37.18	12,606	D		
Common Stock	01/31/2018		F	5,871	D	\$ 101.16	6,735	D		
Common Stock	02/02/2018		S	5,000	D	\$ 100.9328 (1)	1,735	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 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 . Underlying S (Instr. 3 and
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 22.95	01/31/2018		M		4,300	<u>(2)</u>	02/08/2022	Common Stock
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 37.18	01/31/2018		M		6,250	<u>(3)</u>	02/06/2023	Common Stock
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 37.18	01/31/2018		M		1,500	<u>(4)</u>	02/06/2023	Common Stock
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 101.16	01/31/2018		A	18,300		01/31/2019(5)	01/31/2028	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Torres Kathryn A.
ONE PARK PLAZA
NASHVILLE, TN 37203

SVP-Payer Contracting & Align.

Signatures

/s/ Kevin A. Ball, Attorney-in-Fact 02/02/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$100.9256 to \$100.9341, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to HCA Healthcare, Inc., any security holder of HCA Healthcare, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (2) The stock appreciation rights vested in four equal annual installments beginning on February 8, 2013.
- (3) The stock appreciation rights vested in four equal annual installments beginning on February 6, 2014.
- (4) The stock appreciation rights vested at the end of fiscal years 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 based upon the achievement of certain annual EBITDA performance targets.
- (5) The stock appreciation rights vest in four equal annual installments beginning on January 31, 2019.

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