

NATIONWIDE HEALTH PROPERTIES INC  
Form 8-K  
December 20, 2010

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

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 15, 2010**

**NATIONWIDE HEALTH PROPERTIES, INC.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<b>Maryland</b> (State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	<b>1-9028</b> (Commission File Number)	<b>95-3997619</b> (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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<b>610 Newport Center Drive, Suite 1150</b> <b>Newport Beach, California</b> (Address of Principal Executive Offices)	<b>92660</b> (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(949) 718-4400**

(Former name or former address if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02      Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On December 15, 2010, Charles D. Miller resigned from the Board of Directors of Nationwide Health Properties, Inc. (the "Company"). Mr. Miller indicated that he was resigning due to health reasons and not due to any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to the Company's operations, policies or practices.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

NATIONWIDE HEALTH PROPERTIES, INC.

Date: December 20, 2010

By: /s/ Abdo H. Khoury

Name: Abdo H. Khoury

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief  
Financial & Portfolio Officer