

# FORM 5

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## ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Form 3 Holdings Reported

Form 4 Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* R. Michael Ussery 2508 Belfast Court Murfreesboro TN 37129	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol National HealthCare Corporation [NHC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (check all applicable) ___ Director ___ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)  Chief Operating Officer
	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2015	
	4. If amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More Than One Reporting Person

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans- action Date (mm/dd/yy)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (mm/dd/yy)	3. Trans- action Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, & 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3, & 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Shares of Common Stock owned by myself & spouse							116,115 (1)	D	
Shares of Common Stock in name of child							48	D	

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

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

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Form 5 (cont.)  
 Name and Address of Reporting Person  
 R. Michael Ussery  
 2508 Belfast Court  
 Murfreesboro TN 37129

Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 National HealthCare Corporation [NHC]

Period Of Report  
 12/31/2015

**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 (mm/dd/yy)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (mm/dd/yy)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. No. of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, & 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (mm/dd/yy)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 & 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. No. of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Fiscal Year (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Securities: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$46.69						12/04/2012	02/29/2016	Common Stock	27,500		27,500	D	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) - Includes 210 shares acquired pursuant to the Employee Stock Purchase Plan for Plan Year 2015.

By: R. Michael Ussery  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

2/5/2016  
 Date