CHAPMAN GEORGE L

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CHAPMAN GEORGE L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HEALTH CARE REIT INC /DE/ [HCN]				•••••	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
							DL/			
(Last) 4500 DOR	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/15/2012				_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)			
							Chairman, CEO and President			
	(Street)			If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
TOLEDO,	ОН 43615		Filed(Month/Day/Year)							
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tal	ble I - Non	-Derivativ	e Secu	ırities Acqu	nired, Disposed of, o	r Beneficially	Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	oror Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of		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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Stock	06/15/2012			M	20,234	A	\$ 40.83	285,410.5808	D	
Common Stock	06/15/2012			S(1)	26,353	D	\$ 56.5251	259,057.5808	D	
Common Stock								6,822	I	IRA (2)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisab	le and	7. Title and A
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionDerivative		Expiration Date		Underlying Se
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year	.)	(Instr. 3 and 4
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A)			
	Derivative				or Disposed of			
	Security				(D)			
					(Instr. 3, 4,			
					and 5)			
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
				Code V	(A) (D)			
Option (Right-to-Buy)	\$ 40.83	06/15/2012		M	20,234	01/15/2009(3)	01/21/2018	Common

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Ketationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
CHAPMAN GEORGE L						
4500 DORR STREET	X		Chairman, CEO and President			
TOLEDO, OH 43615						

Signatures

By: Erin C. Ibele Attorney-in-Fact For: George L.
Chapman

06/18/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) The shares covered by this Form 4 have been sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plan dated March 15, 2012, which is intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1.
- (2) George L. Chapman III IRA FCC as Custodian.
 - Options for the purchase of 46,987 shares of common stock at \$40.83 per share were granted to Mr. Chapman on January 21, 2008, which grant has previously been reported. Options for the purchase of 7,304 shares vested on January 15, 2009, options for the purchase
- of 7,303 shares vested on January 15, 2010, options for the purchase of 9,742 shares vested on January 15, 2011, options for the purchase of 10,953 shares vested on January 15, 2012 and options for the purchase of 11,685 shares will vest on January 15, 2013.
- (4) The options were granted under the Health Care REIT, Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan and had no acquisition price.

Remarks:

The shares covered by this Form 4 have been sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plan dated March 15, 2012, which is intend. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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