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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

| LAROCHE RI | Symbol NATIONA [NHC] | NATIONAL HEALTHCARE CORP | | | | Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|--|---|--------------------------|---|-----------------|---|---|--|--|---|
| (Last) 2103 SHANNO | (First) ON DRIVE | (Middle) | 3. Date of Ear (Month/Day/Y 05/08/2014 | (ear) | action | | _X_ Director Officer (give below) | | Owner er (specify |
| MURFREESB(| Filed(Month/Day/Year) Appl _X_ FREESBORO TN 37129 | | | | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by 0 | X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table I - | Non-Deriv | ative Secu | ırities Ac | quired, Disposed of | , or Beneficial | ly Owned |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | y/Year) I | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securi onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, | l (A) or l of (D) | 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, Family LP (BFLP) | | | | | | | 29,523 | I | General Partner |
| Common Stock - Fam. Partnership (LR Ent.) | | | | | | | 31,698 | D | |
| Common Stock - Fam. Partnership (LFLP) | | | | | | | 96,000 | I | General Partner |

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| Common Stock - Held in my name or my wife's name | 172,220 | D | |
|--|---------|---|--------------------|
| Shares of Series A Conv. Preferred Stock -(BFLP) | 96,534 | I | General Partner |
| Shares of Series A Conv. Preferred Stock (LR Ent.) | 375,602 | D | |
| Shares of Series A Conv. Preferred Stock- (LFLP) | 425 | I | General Partner |
| Shares of Series A Conv. Preferred Stock-Family Foundation | 8,500 | I | Trustee |

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or | of Derivative Expiration Securities (Month/Da Acquired A) or Disposed of D) Instr. 3, 4, | | te | 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 |
| Option to Purchase Common | \$ 45.8 | | | | | | 05/09/2011 | 05/08/2016 | Common Stock | 7,500 |

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| Stock | | | | | | | | |
|--|----------|------------|---|--------------|------------|------------|-----------------|-------|
| Option to Purchase Common Stock | \$ 44.8 | | | | 05/03/2012 | 05/02/2017 | Common Stock | 7,500 |
| Option to Purchase Common Stock | \$ 47.45 | | | | 05/08/2013 | 05/07/2018 | Common Stock | 7,500 |
| Option to Purchase Common Stock | \$ 52.93 | 05/08/2014 | A | 7,500 (1) | 05/08/2014 | 05/07/2019 | Common Stock | 7,500 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| 1 8 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| LAROCHE RICHARD F JR 2103 SHANNON DRIVE MURFREESBORO, TN 37129 | X | | | | | | |

Signatures

Richard F. LaRoche, Jr. by Kristina Hulsey,
P.O.A.

**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) This stock option was granted pursuant to the Company's 2005 Stock Option Plan on May 8, 2014. The grant and exercise of this stock option are exempt from Section 16(b) pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d).

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