NATIONWIDE HEALTH PROPERTIES INC Form 8-K December 18, 2009

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 18, 2009

NATIONWIDE HEALTH PROPERTIES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

of Incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

610 Newport Center Drive, Suite 1150

Newport Beach, California
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

92660
(ZIP Code)

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(949) 718-4400

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

- " Written communication pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " Pre-commencements communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

On December 18, 2009, Nationwide Health Properties, Inc. (the Company) called for redemption of all the outstanding shares of its 7.75% Series B Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock (Series B Preferred Stock) (NYSE: NHP-PB; CUSIP: No. 638620302). This redemption will be made on January 18, 2010 at a price equal to \$103.875 per share plus accumulated and unpaid dividends thereon to the redemption date of \$0.3875 per share, for a total redemption price of \$104.2625 per share. The redemption price is payable only in cash.

On December 18, 2009, the Company issued a press release announcing the redemption of the Series B Preferred Stock. A copy of the press release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release dated December 18, 2009.

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 18, 2009 By: /s/ Abdo H. Khoury

Name: Abdo H. Khoury

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial & Portfolio

Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release dated December 18, 2009.