NATIONWIDE HEALTH PROPERTIES INC Form 8-K February 24, 2005

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

February 24, 2005

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

NATIONWIDE HEALTH PROPERTIES, INC.

 $(Exact\ name\ of\ registrant\ as\ specified\ in\ its\ charter)$

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction

1-9028 (Commission File Number) 95-3997619 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

610 Newport Center Drive, Suite 1150, Newport Beach, CA (Address of principal executive offices)

92660 (Zip Code)

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Registrant s telephone number, including area code (949) 718-4400

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

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 24, 2005, we issued a press release, which sets forth our results of operations for the quarter ended December 31, 2004. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by this reference.

Such information shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (Exchange Act), and is not incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit	
Number	Description
99.1	Press release dated February 24, 2005

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SIGNATURES

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: February 24, 2005

By: /s/ Mark L. Desmond

Mark L. Desmond

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer