NATIONWIDE HEALTH PROPERTIES INC Form 8-K May 13, 2008

# 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

May 12, 2008

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

# NATIONWIDE HEALTH PROPERTIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 1-9028 95-3997619
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer

of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

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

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

(Zip Code)

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

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# Item 8.01 Other Events.

On May 12, 2008, we issued a press release, which announces that William M. Wagner joined NHP as our Vice President and Controller. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by this reference.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

### Exhibit

### Number Description

99.1 Press release dated May 12, 2008.

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#### **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.

Date: May 13, 2008

NATIONWIDE HEALTH PROPERTIES, INC.

By: /s/ Abdo H. Khoury
Abdo H. Khoury

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial &

Portfolio Officer