

NATIONAL HEALTHCARE CORP

Form 8-K

March 14, 2019

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**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**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): March 13, 2019 (March 11, 2019)**

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**NATIONAL HEALTHCARE CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**                      **001-13489**                      **52-2057472**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)                      (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**100 Vine Street**  
**Murfreesboro, Tennessee**                      **37130**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)                      (Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (615) 890-2020**

**Not Applicable**

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

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

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- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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**Item 5.02(b) Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On March 11, 2019, Julia W. Powell, an NHC partner since 1974, notified the Company that she intends to retire effective May 31, 2019. The decision of Mrs. Powell to retire did not involve any disagreement with the Company. Mrs. Powell is 69 years old and currently serves as NHC's Chief Nursing Officer and Senior Vice President of Patient Services.

**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.

Date: March 13, 2019

NATIONAL  
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CORPORATION

By: /s/ Stephen F. Flatt  
Name: Stephen F. Flatt  
Title: Chief Executive  
Officer