

Cuffe Michael S.
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Cuffe Michael S.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HCA Healthcare, Inc. [HCA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
ONE PARK PLAZA

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/22/2018

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
President-Physician Services

NASHVILLE, TN 37203

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/22/2018		A ⁽¹⁾		15,000	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	02/22/2018		A ⁽²⁾		600	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	02/22/2018		F		6,140	D	\$ 100.54
Common Stock	02/25/2018		M		1,217	A	\$ 21,766.4951
Common Stock	02/25/2018		F		479	D	\$ 21,287.4951

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 47.97	02/22/2018		A	2,175	02/22/2018 02/05/2024	Common Stock 2
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	02/25/2018		M	1,217	(5) 02/25/2026	Common Stock 1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Cuffe Michael S. ONE PARK PLAZA NASHVILLE, TN 37203			President-Physician Services	

Signatures

/s/ Kevin A. Ball, 02/26/2018
Attorney-in-Fact

**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).

On February 4, 2015, the reporting person was granted 7,500 performance share units. The performance share units were eligible to vest based on achievement of a cumulative earnings per share goal for fiscal years 2015-2017. The number of performance share units that

(1) were eligible to vest varied from zero (for actual performance less than 80% of target) to two times the units granted (for actual performance of 120% or more of target). Based upon the Company's achievement with respect to cumulative 2015-2017 earnings per share, the number of performance share units that vested equaled two times the units granted.

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On February 5, 2014, the reporting person was granted 4,000 restricted stock units. The restricted stock units were eligible to vest in equal increments of up to 25% at the end of fiscal years 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 based upon the extent to which certain EBITDA performance targets have been met for the applicable fiscal year. Based upon the Company's achievement with respect to the EBITDA performance criteria for 2017, 60% of the restricted stock units subject to such criteria vested, resulting in the vesting of 600 restricted stock units.

- (3) Restricted stock units convert into common stock on a one-for-one basis.

On February 5, 2014, the reporting person was granted 14,500 stock appreciation rights. The stock appreciation rights were eligible to vest in equal increments of up to 25% at the end of fiscal years 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 based upon the extent to which certain

- (4) EBITDA performance targets have been met for the applicable fiscal year. Based upon the Company's achievement with respect to the EBITDA performance criteria for 2017, 60% of the stock appreciation rights subject to such criteria vested, resulting in the vesting of 2,175 stock appreciation rights.
- (5) On February 25, 2016, the reporting person was granted 2,435 restricted stock units, vesting in two equal annual installments beginning on the second anniversary of the grant date.

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