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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Perlin Jonathan B			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)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Cheek an applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
ONE PARK PLAZA			02/16/2018	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
				Pres-Clinical Services & CMO			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)				
NASHVILLE, TN 37203				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivativ	e Secı	ırities Acquir	ed, 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. Securition Disposed (Instr. 3, 4)	of (D)		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)
Common Stock	02/16/2018		M	38,480	A	\$ 17.33	119,777.6115	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2018		S	38,480	D	\$ 102.0509 (1)	81,297.6115	D	
Common Stock							913	I	By 2011 GRAT, Reporting Person Trustee

3,846

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Common Stock

By 2012 GRAT, Reporting Person Trustee

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.33 (2)	02/16/2018		M	980	(3)	11/02/2021	Common Stock	980
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.33 (2)	02/16/2018		M	37,500	<u>(5)</u>	11/02/2021	Common Stock	37,5 (4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Perlin Jonathan B ONE PARK PLAZA

NASHVILLE, TN 37203

Pres-Clinical Services & CMO

Signatures

/s/ Natalie Harrison Cline,
Attorney-in-Fact
02/20/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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).
 - The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$102.00 to \$102.19, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to HCA Healthcare, Inc., any security holder of HCA
- (1) Healthcare, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- Exercise Price was adjusted to reflect a 4.505 to 1 stock split that occurred with respect to the Issuer's common stock effective March 9, 2011.
- (3) The option vested in three equal annual installments beginning on November 2, 2013.
- (4) Shares have been adjusted to reflect a 4.505 to 1 stock split that occurred with respect to the Issuer's common stock effective March 9, 2011.
- (5) The option vested in three equal installments at the end of fiscal years 2012, 2013 and 2014 based upon the achievement of certain annual EBITDA performance targets.

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