

HEALTH CARE REIT INC /DE/

Form 8-K

January 28, 2005

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**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**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) January 24, 2005

**Health Care REIT, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<b>Delaware</b> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	<b>1-8923</b> (Commission File Number)	<b>34-1096634</b> (IRS Employer Identification No.)
<b>One SeaGate, Suite 1500, Toledo, Ohio</b> (Address of principal executive offices)		<b>43604</b> (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (419) 247-2800

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

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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Effective February 4, 2005, Health Care REIT, Inc. (the Company) has designated Paul D. Nungester, Jr., Controller of the Company, as the Company's Principal Accounting Officer. Mr. Nungester, age 31, joined the Company in March 2001 and has served as Controller since September 2002. From September 2000 until March 2001, Mr. Nungester served as a financial analyst with Mercy Health Partners. Prior to that time, he was an accountant with Ernst & Young LLP.

Michael A. Crabtree, who has served as Treasurer and Principal Accounting Officer of the Company since July 2000, will continue to serve as Treasurer of the Company.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant had duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

HEALTH CARE REIT, INC.

By: /s/ GEORGE L. CHAPMAN

George L. Chapman  
Its: Chairman of the Board and  
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: January 28, 2005