

NATIONAL HEALTH INVESTORS INC

Form 8-K

October 03, 2011

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): October 3, 2011 (October 3, 2011)

National Health Investors, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-10822

(Commission File No.)

62-1470956

(IRS Employer
Identification Number)

222 Robert Rose Drive

Murfreesboro, TN 37129

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(615) 890-9100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

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

Item 2.01. Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.

On October 3, 2011, National Health Investors announced it has entered into a development and lease transaction with affiliates of Polaris Hospital Company to develop a 60-bed general acute care hospital in Murfreesboro, Tennessee that will provide acute psychiatric and in-patient rehabilitation services. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit Index

Number	Exhibit
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99	Press release, dated October 3, 2011
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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

National Health Investors, Inc.

By /s/ Roger R. Hopkins

Name: Roger R. Hopkins

Title: Chief Accounting Officer

Date: October 3, 2011