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

**SCHEDULE 14A**

Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities  
Exchange Act of 1934

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HCA Healthcare, Inc.

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# Your **Vote** Counts!

**HCA HEALTHCARE, INC.**

2026 Annual Meeting

Vote by April 22, 2026 11:59 PM ET. For shares held in a Plan, vote by April 20, 2026 11:59 PM ET.

HCA HEALTHCARE, INC.  
ATTN: CORPORATE SECRETARY  
ONE PARK PLAZA  
NASHVILLE, TN 37203



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## You invested in HCA HEALTHCARE, INC., and it's time to vote!

You have the right to vote on proposals being presented at the Annual Meeting. **This is an important notice regarding the availability of proxy materials for the stockholder meeting to be held on April 23, 2026.**

### Get informed before you vote

View the Notice and Proxy Statement and 2025 Annual Report online, OR you can receive a free paper or email copy of the material(s) by requesting prior to April 9, 2026. If you would like to request a copy of the material(s) for this and/or future stockholder meetings, you may (1) visit [www.ProxyVote.com](http://www.ProxyVote.com), (2) call 1-800-579-1639 or (3) send an email to [sendmaterial@proxyvote.com](mailto:sendmaterial@proxyvote.com). If sending an email, please include your control number (indicated below) in the subject line. Unless requested, you will not otherwise receive a paper or email copy.



For complete information and to vote, visit [www.ProxyVote.com](http://www.ProxyVote.com)

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#### Vote Virtually at the Meeting\*

April 23, 2026  
2:00 PM CDT

Virtually at:  
[www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/HCA2026](http://www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/HCA2026)

\*Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance.

## THIS IS NOT A VOTABLE BALLOT

This is an overview of the proposals being presented at the upcoming stockholder meeting. Please follow the instructions on the reverse side to vote on these important matters.

Voting Items	Board Recommends
1. Election of Directors <b>Nominees:</b>	
1a. Thomas F. Frist III	✔ For
1b. Samuel N. Hazen	✔ For
1c. John W. Chidsey, III	✔ For
1d. Nancy-Ann DeParle	✔ For
1e. William R. Frist	✔ For
1f. Hugh F. Johnston	✔ For
1g. Michael W. Michelson	✔ For
1h. Wayne J. Riley, M.D.	✔ For
1i. Andrea B. Smith	✔ For
2. To ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2026.	✔ For
3. Advisory vote to approve named executive officer compensation.	✔ For
4. Stockholder proposal, if properly presented at the meeting, regarding a report on healthcare consequences.	✘ Against
5. Stockholder proposal, if properly presented at the meeting, regarding shareholders' right to act by written consent.	✘ Against
<b>NOTE:</b> In their discretion, the proxies are authorized to vote upon any other business that may properly come before the meeting or any postponement or adjournment thereof.	

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