

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

August 21, 2013

Via E-mail
Mr. Scott W. Holmes
Chief Financial Officer
Healthcare Realty Trust Incorporated
3310 West End Avenue, Suite 700
Nashville, TN 37203

Re: Healthcare Realty Trust Incorporated Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012 Filed February 20, 2013 File No. 1-11852

Dear Mr. Holmes:

We have completed our review of your filing. We remind you that our comments or changes to disclosure in response to our comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the company or the filing and the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States. We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable rules require.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kevin Woody

Kevin Woody Branch Chief