UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

April 13, 2018 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

NATURAL HEALTH TRENDS CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-36849 (Commission File Number) 59-2705336 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

609 Deep Valley Drive, Suite 395, Rolling Hills Estates, California 90274 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(310) 541-0888

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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):

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

□ Emerging growth company

 \Box If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On April 4, 2018, the United States District Court for the Central District of California (the "Federal Court") entered an order preliminarily approving a proposed settlement of two shareholder derivative actions: (1) *Kleinfeldt v. Sharng et al.*, No. 2:16-cv-01547 (C.D. Cal.), filed in the Federal Court; and (2) *Zhou v. Sharng et al.*, No. BC609412, filed in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Los Angeles (collectively, the "Actions"). The Actions purport to assert claims on the Company's behalf against certain current and former directors and officers of the Company. The proposed settlement requires the Company to adopt certain additional corporate governance measures and provides for an attorneys' fees award to plaintiffs' counsel of \$250,000, which will be fully funded by the Company's insurers. Defendants and the Company have denied and continue to deny any and all alleged wrongdoing.

The proposed settlement is subject to final approval by the Federal Court. The Notice of Shareholder Derivative Action, Proposed Settlement, and Settlement Hearing (the "Notice") is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K. The Notice and the Stipulation of Settlement (the "Stipulation") dated March 9, 2018 are also available on the Company's website at http://ir.naturalhealthtrendscorp.com/. The description of the proposed settlement set forth above is qualified in its entirety by reference to the actual terms of the Stipulation.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits.
 - 99.1 Notice of Proposed Settlement

Forward-Looking Statements

This Current Report on Form 8-K may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 that involve risks and uncertainty. Such statements are based on management's current expectations and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. Investors are cautioned that there can be no assurance actual results or business conditions will not differ materially from those projected or suggested in such forward-looking statements as a result of various factors. Forward looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements with respect to the proposed settlement and dismissal of the Actions. The important factors that could cause actual results to differ significantly from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, the risk that the proposed settlement may not receive requisite approval, may not have the expected impact, including resolving the Actions, or may require more activity or expense than expected. Please refer to the risks detailed from time to time in the reports we file with the SEC, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017, as well as other filings on Form 10-Q and periodic filings on Form 8-K, for additional factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those stated or implied by such forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise, unless required by law.

SIGNATURES

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

Date: April 13, 2018

NATURAL HEALTH TRENDS CORP.

By: <u>/s/ Timothy S. Davidson</u> Timothy S. Davidson Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number

Exhibit Description

Notice of Proposed Settlement

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

ANGELA KLEINFELDT, Derivatively on Behalf of Nominal	
Defendant, NATURAL HEALTH TRENDS CORP.,	Case No. 2:16-cv-01547
Plaintiff,	
VS.	NOTICE OF SHAREHOLDER DERIVATIVE ACTION, PROPOSED SETTLEMENT, AND SETTLEMENT HEARING
CHRIS T. SHARNG, GEORGE K. BROADY, KIN Y. CHUNG, RANDALL A. MASON, CHRISTOPHER R. O'BRIEN, and TIMOTHY S. DAVIDSON,	
Defendants,	
And	
NATURAL HEALTH TRENDS CORP.	
Nominal Defendant.	

On March 5, 2018, Natural Health Trends Corp. (the "Company"), in its capacity as a nominal defendant, entered into a Stipulation of Settlement (the "Stipulation") in the shareholder derivative actions filed in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California (the "Federal Court"), styled *Kleinfeldt v. Sharng et al.*, No. 2:16-cv-01547 (C.D. Cal.), and the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Los Angeles ("State Court"), styled *Zhou v. Sharng et al.*, No. BC609412 (collectively, the "Actions"). The Actions assert claims on the Company's behalf against certain current and former directors and officers of the Company.

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The Stipulation and the settlement contemplated therein (the "Settlement"), including dismissal of all claims with prejudice in the *Kleinfeldt* action, is subject to approval by the Federal Court, and is contingent on the State Court granting voluntary dismissal with prejudice of the *Zhou* Action. The proposed Settlement requires the Company to adopt certain additional corporate governance measures and procedures, as outlined in Exhibit A to the Stipulation, and provides for a single Fee and Expense Award in the total amount of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) to be paid by Defendants' insurer to Plaintiffs' Counsel in the Actions. Defendants and the Company have denied and continue to deny any and all alleged wrongdoing.

This Notice is a summary only and does not describe all of the details of the Stipulation. For full details of the matters discussed in this summary, please see the full Stipulation on the Company's corporate website, or contact Plaintiffs' Counsel at the address listed below. All capitalized terms used in this Notice, unless otherwise defined herein, are defined as set forth in the Stipulation.

Summary

On April 4, 2018, the Federal Court entered an order preliminarily approving the Stipulation and the Settlement contemplated therein, and providing for notice in a Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, in a press release, and on the Company's corporate website (the "Preliminary Approval Order"). The Preliminary Approval Order further provides that the Federal Court will hold a hearing ("Final Hearing") on July 16, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. before the Honorable Terry J. Hatter, Jr. in Courtroom 9B of the United States District Court for the Central District of California, First Street Federal Courthouse, 350 W. 1st Street, 9th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23.1, to, among other things: (i) determine whether the proposed Settlement is fair, reasonable, adequate, and in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders; (ii) consider any objections to the Settlement submitted in accordance with the Notice; (iii) determine whether a Judgment substantially in the form attached as Exhibit C to the Stipulation should be entered dismissing all claims in the *Kleinfeldt* Action with prejudice and releasing the Released Claims against the Released Persons; (iv) consider the Fee and Expense Award; (v) consider the payment to the two Plaintiffs in the Actions of Service Awards in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00 each, which will be funded from the Fee and Expense Award; and (vi) consider any other matters that may properly be brought before the Federal Court in connection with the Settlement.

Any NHTC Shareholder who wishes to object to the fairness, reasonableness, or adequacy of the Settlement as set forth in the Stipulation, and/or to the Fee and Expense Award and/or the Service Awards, may file an objection. An objector must file with the Federal Court a written statement of his, her, or its objection(s): (a) clearly indicating the objector's name, mailing address, daytime telephone number, and e-mail address (if any); (b) stating that the objector is objecting to the proposed Settlement, the Fee and Expense Award, and/or the Service Awards in *Kleinfeldt v. Sharng et al.*, No. 2:16-cv-01547 (C.D. Cal.); (c) specifying the reason(s), if any, for each such objection made, including any legal support and/or evidence that such objector wishes to bring to the Federal Court's attention or introduce in support of such objection; and (d) identifying and supplying documentation showing how many shares of NHTC common stock the objector owned as of March 5, 2018, when the objector purchased or otherwise acquired such shares, and proof that the objector still owns such NHTC shares.

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The objector must file such objections and supporting documentation with the Clerk of the Court, U.S. District Court Central District of California, Western Division, First Street Federal Courthouse, 350 W. 1st Street Los Angeles, CA 90012, not later than twenty-one (21) days prior to the Final Hearing, and, by the same date, copies of all such papers must also received by each of the following persons:

Counsel for Plaintiff:

Stuart J. Guber, Esq. FARUQI & FARUQI, LLP 101 Greenwood Avenue, Suite 600 Jenkintown, PA 19046

Counsel for Defendants:

Angela L. Dunning, Esq. COOLEY LLP 3175 Hanover Street Palo Alto, CA 94304

An objector may file an objection on his, her, or its own or through an attorney hired at his, her, or its own expense. If an objector hires an attorney for purposes of making such objection pursuant to this paragraph, the attorney must serve a notice of appearance on the counsel listed above and file such notice with the Federal Court no later than twenty-one (21) days before the Final Hearing. Any NHTC shareholder who does not timely file and serve a written objection complying with the terms of this paragraph shall be deemed to have waived, and shall be foreclosed from raising, any objection to the Settlement, and any untimely objection shall be barred. Any submissions by the Parties in opposition or response to objections or in further support of the Settlement shall be filed with the Federal Court no later than seven (7) days before the Final Hearing.

Any objector who files and serves a timely, written objection in accordance with the instructions above and herein, may appear at the Final Hearing either in person or through counsel retained at the objector's expense. Objectors need not attend the Final Hearing, however, in order to have their objections considered by the Federal Court. Timely objectors or their attorneys intending to appear at the Final Hearing are required to indicate in their written objection (or in a separate notice filed with the Court and submitted to the counsel listed in the preceding paragraph no later than twenty-one (21) days prior to the Final Hearing) that they intend to appear at the Final Hearing and identify any witnesses they may call to testify and exhibits they intend to introduce into evidence at the Final Hearing. Any objector who does not timely file and serve a notice of intention to appear in accordance with this paragraph shall not be permitted to appear at the Final Hearing, except for good cause shown.

If you are a current holder of NHTC common stock and do not take steps to appear in the *Kleinfeldt* Action and object to the proposed Settlement, you will be bound by the Judgment of the Federal Court and will forever be barred from raising an objection to the Settlement in this or any other action or proceeding, and from pursuing any of the Released Claims.

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If you held NHTC common stock as of March 5, 2018 and continue to hold such stock, you may have certain rights in connection with the proposed Settlement. You may obtain further information by contacting counsel for Plaintiff Kleinfeldt at: Stuart J. Guber, Esq., Faruqi & Faruqi, LLP, 101 Greenwood Avenue, Suite 600, Jenkintown, PA 19046, Telephone: (212) 277-5770, Email: sguber@faruqilaw.com.