

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

CORPORATION FINANCE

Mailstop 3233

April 18, 2017

Via E-mail
Peter A. Scott
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer
HCP, Inc.
1920 Main Street, Suite 1200
Irvine, CA 92614

Re: HCP, Inc.

Form 10-K for fiscal year ended

December 31, 2016 Filed February 13, 2017

Dear Mr. Scott:

We have completed our review of your filings. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Sincerely,

/s/ Robert F. Telewicz, Jr.

Robert F. Telewicz, Jr. Accounting Branch Chief Office of Real Estate and Commodities