

**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Harwood Charles C Jr</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O AVISTA HEALTHCARE PUBLIC ACQUISITION CORP. 65 EAST 55TH STREET, 18TH FLOOR  (Street) NEW YORK NY 10022  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 10/07/2016	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Avista Healthcare Public Acquisition Corp. [ AHPA ]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
Class B Ordinary Shares	(1)	(1)	Class A Ordinary Shares 471,250	(1)	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. The reporting person holds an aggregate of 471,250 Class B ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Class B Shares"), including 56,250 shares that are subject to forfeiture if the underwriters of the Issuer's initial public offering do not exercise in full an option granted to them to cover over-allotment. Pursuant to the Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association (the "Articles") of the Issuer, such Class B Shares will automatically convert into Class A ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share, of the Issuer at the time of the Issuer's Business Combination, as defined in the Articles, on a one-for-one basis, subject to adjustment, and have no expiration date.

**Remarks:**

See Exhibit 24.1 - Power of Attorney, incorporated herein by reference.

/s/ Benjamin Silbert, Attorney- 10/07/2016  
in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints David Burgstahler, John Cafasso and Benjamin Silbert of Avista Healthcare Public Acquisition Corp. (the "Company") or any of them signing singly, and with full power of substitution, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

1. prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation of the SEC;
2. execute for and on behalf of the undersigned with respect to the Company, Schedules 13D and 13G and Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Sections 13 and 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
3. do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Schedules 13D or 13G or Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the SEC and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
4. take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Sections 13 and 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

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AVISTA ACQUISITION CORP.

/s/ David Burgstahler

Name: David Burgstahler

Title: Director

/s/ Thompson Dean

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THOMPSON DEAN

/s/ Thompson Dean

Name: Thompson Dean

DAVID BURGSTAHLER

/s/ David Burgstahler

Name: David Burgstahler

JOHN CAFASSO

/s/ John Cafasso

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