

BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC  
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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 14A

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**Baxter International Inc.**

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the  
Stockholder Meeting to Be Held on May 2, 2017.**

**Meeting Information**

**BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC.**

**Meeting Type:** Annual Meeting  
**For holders as of:** March 9, 2017

**Date:** May 2, 2017      **Time:** 9:00 AM CDT

**Location:** Baxter International Inc. Headquarters  
One Baxter Parkway  
Deerfield, Illinois 60015

*BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC.*

*ONE BAXTER PARKWAY*

*DEERFIELD, IL 60015*

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the company named above.

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy

materials online at [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com) or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

**See the reverse side of this notice to obtain proxy materials and voting instructions.**

**Before You Vote**

How to Access the Proxy Materials

**Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:**

NOTICE AND PROXY STATEMENT      ANNUAL REPORT      CHAIRMAN S LETTER

**How to View Online:**

Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow (located on the following page) and visit:  
*www.proxyvote.com*.

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- 1) *BY INTERNET*: [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com)
- 2) *BY TELEPHONE*: 1-800-579-1639
- 3) *BY E-MAIL*\*: [sendmaterial@proxyvote.com](mailto:sendmaterial@proxyvote.com)

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### **How To Vote**

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

**Vote In Person:** You must bring this Notice or other proof of share ownership for admittance to the Annual Meeting. Please review other details regarding meeting attendance and directions to the meeting in the Proxy Statement, which is available at [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com). At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

**Vote By Internet:** To vote now by Internet, go to [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com). Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow available and follow the instructions.

**Vote By Mail:** You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card.

### Voting Items

**The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposals:**

1. Election of Directors

**Nominees:**

1a. José (Joe) Almeida

1b. Thomas F. Chen

1c. John D. Forsyth

1d. Munib Islam

1e. Michael F. Mahoney

**The Board of Directors recommends you vote ONE YEAR on the following proposal:**

3. Advisory Vote on the Frequency of Executive Compensation Advisory Votes

**The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal:**

4. Ratification of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

**The Board of Directors recommends you vote AGAINST the following proposal:**

5. Stockholder Proposal - Proxy Access Bylaw

1f. Carole J. Shapazian

Amendment to Increase Aggregation Cap

1g. Thomas T. Stallkamp

1h. Albert P.L. Stroucken

2. Advisory Vote to Approve Named Executive Officer

Compensation



