FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and	<u>CC</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC CYH ]									ationship of k all applica Director Officer (	10% Owner			ner				
(Last) 4000 MEF	(First) (Middle) RIDIAN BOULEVARD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/12/2014									below)	Division	Presi	below)	, 20,
Street) FRANKLIN TN 37067					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Line)  X Form filed by One Form filed by More			Reporting Person	
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip)					Person									z ulalı	than one reporting			
		Tab	le I - N	lon-Deriv	vativ	e Sec	curiti	ies Ac	quire	ed, Di	sposed o	f, or B	enefi	cially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)				2. Transact Date (Month/Day		Exec if any	. Deemed ecution Date, any onth/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				Acquired (A) or D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5			ities icially d Following	6. Owner Form: Di (D) or Ind (I) (Instr.	: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 12/2					014				M		10,000	A	\$3	\$37.21		,958	D		
Common Stock 12/12/2					014	)14			S		10,000	D	\$51.	<b>1.8151</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		,958	D		
						tive Securities Acq uts, calls, warrants										6,000		I	William S. Hussey Trustee, U/A dated 5/8/1998, by William S. Hussey as Grantor
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio Code (Insti 8)		5. Number of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y		cisable and	7. Title of Sec Underl Deriva	7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				•	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	or Nu of	ımber					
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$37.21	12/12/2014			M			10,000	02/28/2008		02/27/2015	Common Stock 1		),000	\$0.00	0		D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$33.9								02/24/2011		02/23/2020		Common Stock 10,			10,000		D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$37.96								02/23/20:		02/22/2021		Common Stock 10			10,000		D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$21.07								02/1	6/2013	02/15/2022	Comm Stock		,000		8,000		D	
Performance Based Restricted	\$0.00								03/01/2015 <sup>(2</sup>		02/29/2024		Common Stock 25,0			25,000		D	
Performance Based Restricted	\$0.00								03/01	/2015 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/29/2024	Comm Stock		),000		20,00	0	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 2. Each performance based restricted share represents a contingent right to receive one share of CYH common stock. There are two elements to the lapsing of the restriction; first, the Company must achieve specified targeted amount of earnings per share from continuing operations, or net revenue from continuing operations, and if the performance objective is met, the vesting restrictions will lapse in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversary of the date of grant. If the objectives are not met, the shares will be forfeited.
- 3. Each performance based restricted share represents a contingent right to receive one share of CYH common stock. The lapsing of the restrictions is dependent on the Company meeting certain cost savings ("synergies") from the Health Management Associates, Inc. merger transaction. The performance target may be met in part in the first year or in whole or in part over the first two years. There is also a time vesting element to the maximum targets of the award. If the objectives are not met, the shares will be forfeited.

## Remarks:

<u>Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney</u> <u>in Fact for William S. Hussey</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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