FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* SMITH WAYNE T					<u>CC</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC CYH]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2014										below)		
(Street)	IN TN	3	37067		4. If	Amen	ndment	t, Date (of Origin	al File	ed (Month/Da	Line	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting						
(City)	(Sta	ite) (Zip)											Person			·		
		Tab	le I - N	on-Deri	vative	e Sec	curiti	es Ac	quire	d, Di	isposed o	f, or Be	neficially	Owned					
1. Title of Se	ecurity (Instr.	3)		2. Transa Date (Month/D		Exe	Deeme ecution ny onth/Da		3. Transa Code (8)	Instr.	·	s Acquired of (D) (Instr.	3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follow Reported Transaction	/ lowing	6. Owne Form: E (D) or Ir (I) (Insti	Direct I ndirect I r. 4) (7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Dwnership Instr. 4)	
						-			Code	٧	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and	1 4)		_		
Common Stock			01/03.						191,115	D	\$0.00	0]	. (2011 GRAT No. 2			
Common S	Stock			01/03						191,115 ⁽	1) A	\$0.00	788,0	97	Ι)			
Common Stock			01/03						46,438	D	\$0.00	69,830		I		2012 GRAT			
Common S	Stock			01/03	/2014	_			J		46,438(2	_	\$0.00	834,5		I	-		
Common S	Stock			01/03/2014		+			J	_	118,329	D	\$0.00	716,206		D			
Common Stock Common Stock Common Stock Table				01/03/2014					J		118,3290	3) A	\$0.00	169,3	88	I		by 2009 WTS Irrevocable Trust Dated 2/27/09	
Common S	Stock					\top								481,7	21]	,	WAC LLC	
			Гable II								posed of,			Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deer Execution if any (Month/I	med	4. Transa Code (ansaction ode (Instr. S		5. Number		xerci	sable and te	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Securit Benefic Owned Follow Report	tive ties cially I ing ied action(s)	10. Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indirec (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	ıble	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$37.21								02/28/2	800	02/27/2015	Common Stock	100,000		100),000	D		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$40.41								07/25/2	800	07/24/2015	Common Stock	500,000		500),000	D		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$32.28								02/27/2	009	02/26/2018	Common Stock	200,000		200),000	D		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$18.18								02/25/2	010	02/24/2019	Common Stock	50,000		50,	,000	D		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$33.9								02/24/2	011	02/23/2020	Common Stock	50,000		50,	,000	D		

	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)														
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	ve Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$37.96							02/23/2012	02/22/2021	Common Stock	50,000		50,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$21.07							02/16/2013	02/15/2022	Common Stock	40,000		40,000	D	
Performance Based Restricted	\$0.00							02/27/2014 ⁽⁴⁾	02/26/2023	Common Stock	125,000		125,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. These shares were previously owned by the 2011 GRAT No. 2.
- 2. These shares were previously owned by the 2012 GRAT.
- 3. These shares were previously reported as directly beneficially owned but were contributed to an irrevocable trust (the "2009 WTS Irrevocable Trust Dated 2/27/09") on January 3, 2014.
- 4. 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.

Remarks:

<u>Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney</u> <u>in Fact for Wayne T. Smith</u>

01/06/2014

** 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 4 (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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