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## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addres <u>SMITH WAY</u>	1 0	n*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC</u> [ CYH ]		tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer ( all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify		
(Last) 155 FRANKLIN SUITE 400	FRANKLIN ROAD		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/09/2005		below) below) Executive Officer and Director		
(Street) BRENTWOOD	TN (State)	37027 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repo Form filed by More than Person	orting Person	

## Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of 5)	Acquired (D) (Instr	(A) or 3, 4 and	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		18,100	D	\$36.35	643,421	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		6,600	D	\$36.36	636,821	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		1,800	D	\$36.37	635,021	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		5,500	D	\$36.38	629,521	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		500	D	\$36.39	629,021	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		18,700	D	\$36.4	610,321	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		200	D	\$36.44	610,121	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		1,100	D	\$36.45	609,021	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		1,100	D	\$36.47	607,921	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		600	D	\$36.51	607,321	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		600	D	\$36.52	606,721	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		100	D	\$36.53	606,621	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		500	D	\$36.54	606,121	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		1,500	D	\$36.55	604,621	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		200	D	\$36.57	604,421	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		1,200	D	\$36.63	603,221	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		700	D	\$36.64	602,521	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		900	D	\$36.65	601,621	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		200	D	\$36.66	601,421	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		300	D	\$36.67	601,121	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		3,400	D	\$36.7	597,721	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2005	05/09/2005	S		1,500	D	\$36.71	596,221	D	
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 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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	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)

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			Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$13						06/08/2001	06/08/2010	Common Stock	500,000		500,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$20.3						05/22/2004	05/22/2013	Common Stock	750,000		750,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$32.37						02/28/2006	02/28/2015	Common Stock	100,000		100,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

Kimberly A. Wright, Attorney 05/09/2005 <u>in Fact</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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