

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## FORM 8-K

### CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

**August 8, 2002**

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported)

## COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-15925**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**13-3893191**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**155 Franklin Road, Suite 400**  
**Brentwood, Tennessee 37027**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(615) 373-9600**

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### ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

- 99.1 Statement under Oath of Principal Executive Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings
- 99.2 Statement under Oath of Principal Financial Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings

### ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On August 7, 2002, Community Health Systems, Inc.'s chief executive officer and chief financial officer each delivered to the Securities and Exchange Commission their individual sworn statements pursuant to section 21(a)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, copies of which are attached as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2.

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### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: August 8, 2002

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ WAYNE T. SMITH

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Wayne T. Smith  
Chairman of the Board President and  
Chief Executive Officer  
(principal executive officer)

By: /s/ W. LARRY CASH

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W. Larry Cash  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer  
(principal financial officer)

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**COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.**

**Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer  
Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings**

I, **WAYNE T. SMITH**, state and attest that:

1. To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Community Health Systems, Inc., and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:

- no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
- no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).

2. I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's Audit and Compliance Committee.

3. In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":

- Annual Report on Form 10-K of Community Health Systems, Inc. for the twelve-months ended December 31, 2001, filed with the Commission;
- all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Community Health Systems, Inc. filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
- any amendments to any of the foregoing.

/s/ WAYNE T. SMITH

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**WAYNE T. SMITH**, Chairman of the Board,  
President and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: August 6, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of August, 2002.

/s/ SHARON D. HOLMES

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires: October 14, 2003

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**COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.**

**Statement Under Oath of Principal Financial Officer  
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I, **W. LARRY CASH**, state and attest that:

1. To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Community Health Systems, Inc., and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:

- no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
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/s/ W. LARRY CASH

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**W. LARRY CASH**, Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

Dated: August 6, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of August, 2002.

/s/ SHARON D. HOLMES

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Notary Public

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