Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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HANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>KLEIN HARVEY MD</u>					<u>CC</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC CYH]								[Ch	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) 4000 ME	•	irst)	(Middle)		3. D	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2009										Officer (give title below)		Other (s below)	specify	
(Street)	LIN T	N	37067		4. If	. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																	
Date				2. Trans Date			2A. Deemed Execution Dat if any (Month/Day/Ye		3. Transacti Code (Ins		4. Securi	of, or Benefi ities Acquired (A d Of (D) (Instr. 3,		(A) or	5. Amou Securitie Beneficia	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A (D) or)	Price					, ,	
Common	Stock														20,000 D					
		•	Table II - I (quired, D s, optior						Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. B)		n of E		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		ecurity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s llly	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				c	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisabl		Expiration Date	Title	O N O	umber						
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$20.46								01/02/200	4 (01/02/2013	Comm Stock		5,000		5,000)	D		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$23								05/22/200	2 (05/22/2011	Comm Stock		0,000		10,00	0	D		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$26.95								01/02/200	5 (01/02/2014	Comm Stock		5,000		5,000)	D		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$27.71								01/03/200	6	01/03/2015	Comm Stock		5,000		5,000)	D		
Phantom	\$18.18 ⁽¹⁾	02/25/2009	02/25/20	09	A		7,151		02/25/2010	(1)	(1)	Comm	on -	7,151	\$0.00	7,151	1	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. The Phantom Stock Award vests in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversary of the date of grant. Upon vesting, the holder will be issued that number of shares of Common stock of the Company.

Remarks:

Rachel A. Seifert, Attorney in Fact for Dr. Harvey Klein ** Signature of Reporting Person

02/27/2009

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).

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