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FORM 4

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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> 7. Nature of Indirect

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>NEWSOME GARY D</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC</u> [CYH]		ionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)	n(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below)					
(Last) (First) 155 FRANKLIN ROAD SUITE 400		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/11/2005		Executive Officer - Reporting						
(Street) BRENTWOOD (City)	TN (State)	37027 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi Line) X	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Form filed by One Repor Form filed by More than (Person	ting Person					
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										

3. Transaction Code (Instr. 2) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, 6. Ownership Form: Direct (Month/Day/Year) if any (D) or Indirect Beneficial

	(Month/Day/Year)	(Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year)						Beneficially Owned Following	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V		Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	М		100,000	A	\$ <mark>13</mark>	146,799	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		3,000	D	\$36.41	143,799	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		3,700	D	\$36.42	140,099	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		1,000	D	\$36.43	139,099	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		900	D	\$36.44	138,199	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		12,000	D	\$36.45	126,199	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		200	D	\$36.46	125,999	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		3,700	D	\$36.47	122,299	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		1,200	D	\$36.48	121,099	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		600	D	\$36.49	120,499	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		3,200	D	\$36.5	117,299	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		200	D	\$36.54	117,099	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		9,000	D	\$36.55	108,099	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		15,800	D	\$36.56	92,299	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		1,400	D	\$36.57	90,899	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		2,900	D	\$36.58	87,999	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		9,100	D	\$36.6	78,899	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		300	D	\$36.63	78,599	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		300	D	\$36.64	78,299	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		26,500	D	\$36.66	51,799	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		5,000	D	\$36.67	46,799	D		
Common Stock	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	S		2,330	D	\$36.66	44,469	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)	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	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		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)			

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				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$13	05/11/2005	05/11/2005	М			100,000	06/08/2001	06/08/2010	Common Stock	100,000	\$0	100,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$20.3							05/22/2004	05/22/2013	Common Stock	200,000		200,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$32.37							02/28/2006	02/28/2015	Common Stock	30,000		30,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

Rachel A. Seifert, Attorney in

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05/11/2005

** 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).

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