## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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|--|---|--|---|--|--|----------------------|---|--|--|--|--|---|---|-------|---|----|---|--|
| Name and Address of Reporting Person*     CASH W LARRY                           |   |  | <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  Officer (give title Other (specify)      |   |       |   |    |   |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD                                  |   |  |   | Date o   |  | est Tra              | nsaction (Mo  | nth/D                                    | Day/Year)  |  | X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Executive VP and CFO  |   |   |       |   |    |   |  |
| (Street) FRANKLIN TN 37067   |   |  | 4. If   | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                       |  |                      |   |  |  |  |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting |   |       |   |    |   |  |
| (City) (State) (Zip)   |   |  |   |  | Person Person  |                      |   |  |  |  |  |   |   |       |   |    |   |  |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |   |  |   |  |  |                      |   |  |  |  |  |   |   |       |   |    |   |  |
| , , , ,  |   | Date                                       | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)  |  | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year)          |                      | te, Transaction Disposed Code (Instr.               |  | ities Acquired (A) or<br>d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and |  | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported      |   | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) |       | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |    |   |  |
|  |   |  |   |  |  |                      | Code  | v  | Amount   | (A) o<br>(D)   | Price  | Transact<br>(Instr. 3 a   |   |       |   |    |   |  |
| Common S   | Stock   |  |   | 11/1   | 5/201  | 3                    |   |  | G  | V  | 14,000   | ) <sup>(1)</sup> D  | \$0.0   | 0 281 | ,677  |    | D |  |
|  |   | 7  |   |  |  |                      |   |  | quired, D<br>ts, option                            |  |  |   |   | Owned |   |    |   |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                              | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | te Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)   Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)   S   Securities   Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)   Ode (Instr. Derivative   Derivative   Derivative   S   Securities   S   S   Securities   S   S   S   S   S   S   S   S   S |  | 7. Title an<br>of Securit<br>Underlyin<br>Derivative<br>(Instr. 3 au | ies<br>g<br>Security | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | Derivative derivative Security Securitie |  | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |   |   |       |   |    |   |  |
|  |   |  |   |  | Code   | v                    | (A)   | (D)                                      | Date<br>Exercisable                                |  | Expiration<br>Date   | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares                               | s     |   |    |   |  |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy)  | \$37.21   |  |   |  |  |                      |   |  | 02/28/2008   | 3 (  | )2/27/2015   | Common<br>Stock   | 60,000  |       | 60,00   | 00 | D |  |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy)  | \$40.41   |  |   |  |  |                      |   |  | 07/25/2008   | 3 (  | 07/24/2015   | Common<br>Stock   | 200,000   |       | 200,00  | 00 | D |  |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy)  | \$32.28   |  |   |  |  |                      |   |  | 02/27/2009   | ) (  | 02/26/2018   | Common<br>Stock   | 60,000  |       | 60,00   | 00 | D |  |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy)  | \$18.18   |  |   |  |  |                      |   |  | 02/25/2010   | ) (  | 02/24/2019   | Common<br>Stock   | 20,000  |       | 20,00   | 00 | D |  |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy)  | \$33.9  |  |   |  |  |                      |   |  | 02/24/2011   |  | )2/23/2020   | Common<br>Stock   | 25,000  |       | 25,00   | 00 | D |  |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy)  | \$37.96   |  |   |  |  |                      |   |  | 02/23/2012   | 2 0  | )2/22/2021   | Common<br>Stock   | 25,000  |       | 25,00   | 00 | D |  |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy)  | \$21.07   |  |   |  |  |                      |   |  | 02/16/2013   | 3 (  | )2/15/2022   | Common<br>Stock   | 20,000  |       | 20,00   | 00 | D |  |
| Performance<br>Based   | \$0.00  |  |   |  |  |                      |   |  | 02/27/2014 <sup>(</sup>                            | 2)   | 02/26/2023   | Common  | 50,000  |       | 50,00   | 00 | D |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. These shares were gifted to family members of Reporting Person who do not share Reporting Person's household.
- 2. 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:

Restricted

Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney in Fact for W. Larry Cash

11/15/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Stock

Date

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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