

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

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

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): December 10, 2021 (December 9, 2021)

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

001-15925
(Commission
File Number)

13-3893191
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

4000 Meridian Boulevard
Franklin, Tennessee 37067
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (615) 465-7000

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	CYH	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 5.02 **Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On December 10, 2021, Community Health Systems, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing that Julia B. North, a member of the Company’s Board of Directors and its Lead Director, passed away on December 9, 2021. A copy of the press release making this announcement is attached as [Exhibit 99.1](#) to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference into this Item 5.02.

Item 9.01 **Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibit is incorporated herein by reference:

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Community Health Systems, Inc. Press Release dated December 10, 2021.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

SIGNATURE

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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: December 10, 2021

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Tim L. Hingtgen
Tim L. Hingtgen
Chief Executive Officer
(principal executive officer)



**COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS MOURNS THE DEATH OF
LEAD DIRECTOR AND LONGTIME BOARD MEMBER JULIA B. NORTH**

FRANKLIN, Tenn. – (December 10, 2021) – Community Health Systems, Inc. (NYSE: CYH) announced today that Julia B. North, the Company’s Lead Director and a longtime member of the Board of Directors, passed away on December 9, 2021. Ms. North served as a member of the Company’s Board of Directors since 2004.

Wayne T. Smith, Executive Chairman of the Community Health Systems, Inc. Board of Directors, said, “It is with tremendous sadness that we mourn the loss of our dear friend and fellow Board member, Judi North. During the 17 years that she served on our Board, Judi’s leadership, wisdom and influence made her a guiding force for our Board and our organization. Judi loved and supported our mission of providing quality healthcare for patients across the country and never lost sight of that most important purpose. She always upheld our values of operating with integrity and accountability. She supported our leadership team and inspired excellence at every level. Our entire company is grateful for Judi’s many years of service. She will be greatly missed by all of us, her family, and everyone who knew her.”

About Community Health Systems, Inc.

Community Health Systems, Inc. is one of the largest publicly traded hospital companies in the United States and a leading operator of general acute care hospitals in communities across the country. The Company, through its subsidiaries, owns or leases 83 affiliated hospitals in 16 states with an aggregate of approximately 13,000 licensed beds. Healthcare services are also provided in more than 1,000 outpatient sites of care including affiliated physician practices, urgent care centers, freestanding emergency departments, imaging centers, cancer centers, and ambulatory surgery centers. The Company’s headquarters are located in Franklin, Tennessee, a suburb south of Nashville. Shares in Community Health Systems, Inc. are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol “CYH.” More information about the Company can be found on its website at www.chs.net.

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