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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

MILLER DA			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC</u> [ CYH ]		tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)	n(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below)	
(Last) (First) 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/26/2014		President and COO		
(Street) FRANKLIN	TN	37067	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing ( Form filed by One Repor Form filed by More than (	ting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Deriv	ative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefic	ially C	Owned		

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transation(a)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/26/2014		М		100,000	A	\$40.41	390,632	D	
Common Stock	08/26/2014		S		100,000	D	\$52.8905(1)	290,632	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. Transa Code ( 8)		Deri Sec Acq or D of (I	umber of vative urities uired (A) isposed D) (Instr. 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 Transaction(s)	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		(Instr. 4)		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$40.41	08/26/2014		М			100,000	07/25/2008	07/24/2015	Common Stock	100,000	\$0.00	0	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$37.96							02/23/2012	02/22/2021	Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$21.07							02/16/2013	02/15/2022	Common Stock	8,000		8,000	D	
Performance Based Restricted	\$0.00							03/01/2015 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/29/2024	Common Stock	50,000		50,000	D	
Performance Based Restricted	\$0.00							03/01/2015 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/29/2024	Common Stock	100,000		100,000	D	

### Explanation of Responses:

1. These shares were sold in a series of transactions at an average sales price of \$52.8905 per share.

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.

3. Each performance based restricted share represents a contingent right to receive one share of CYH common stock. The lapsing of the restrictions is dependent on the Company meeting certain cost savings ("synergies") from the Health Management Associates, Inc. merger transaction. The performance target may be met in part in the first year or in whole or in part over the first two years. There is also a time vesting element to the maximum targets of the award. If the objectives are not met, the shares will be forfeited.

Remarks:

### Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney in Fact for David L. Miller 08/27/2014

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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