FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Bonick I	CY	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC [     CYH ]      Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)     02/27/2016								eck all applic Directo	•		10% Ov Other (s below)	ner					
4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD											Division President								
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 Person					
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Common S	stock			02/27	/2016			F		560	D	\$15.1	28,265		D				
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea			7. Title an of Securit Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 an	ies g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactic (Instr. 4)	e sally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code		(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$16.66								12/14/20	12	12/13/2021	Common Stock	1,000		1,000	)	D		
Performance Based Restricted	\$0.00								(1)		(1)	Common Stock	6,667		6,667	,	D		
Performance Based Restricted	\$0.00								03/01/201	6 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/28/2025	Common Stock	70,000		35,000	0	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. 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 award was granted on 3/01/14. The performance target on the remaining portion of the award may be met in whole or in part in the second year following the grant. 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.
- 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 performance-based 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 time-vesting restrictions will lapse in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversary of the date of grant. If the performance objectives are not met, the shares will be forfeited.

## Remarks:

<u>Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney</u> <u>in Fact for Martin Bonick</u>

03/01/2016

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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