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FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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HUSSEY W			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC</u> [	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)				
	(Last) (First) (Middle) 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2013	Division President				
(Street) FRANKLIN	TN	37067	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				
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## Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities A Of (D) (Instr. 3		(A) or Disposed	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/26/2013		М		60,000	A	\$27.29	159,590	D	
Common Stock	02/26/2013		М		30,000	A	\$32.37	189,590	D	
Common Stock	02/26/2013		М		10,000	A	\$18.18	199,590	D	
Common Stock	02/26/2013		S		115,607	D	\$39.9774 <sup>(1)</sup>	83,983	D	
Common Stock	02/27/2013(2)		М		20,167	A	\$0.00	104,150	D	
Common Stock	02/27/2013		F		2,821	D	\$41.71	101,329	D	
Common Stock	02/28/2013		S		3,900	D	\$41.5686 <sup>(3)</sup>	97,429	D	
Common Stock								6,000	Ι	William S. Hussey Trustee, U/A dated 5/8/1998, by William S. Hussey as Grantor

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)		5. Numl Derivati Securiti Acquire Dispose (D) (Inst and 5)	ive ies ed (A) or ed of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		d 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			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$27.29	02/26/2013		М			60,000	02/24/2005	02/23/2014	Common Stock	60,000	\$27.29	0	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$32.37	02/26/2013		М			30,000	02/28/2006	02/27/2013	Common Stock	30,000	\$32.37	0	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$18.18	02/26/2013		м			10,000	02/25/2010	02/24/2019	Common Stock	10,000	\$18.18	0	D	
Performance Based Restricted	\$0.00	02/27/2013		м			20,167	02/16/2013 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/15/2022	Common Stock	20,167	\$0.00	0	D	
Performance Based Restricted	\$0.00	02/27/2013		A		25,000		02/27/2014 <sup>(4)</sup>	02/26/2023	Common Stock	25,000	\$0.00	25,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$38.3							03/01/2007	02/29/2016	Common Stock	20,000		20,000	D	

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				Code	v			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$37.21							02/28/2008	02/27/2017	Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$40.41							07/25/2008	07/24/2017	Common Stock	100,000		100,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$33.9							02/24/2011	02/23/2020	Common Stock	10,000		10,000	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	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The shares were sold in a series of transactions at a weighted average sale price of \$39.9774 per share.

2. Financial information necessary to determine if performance criteria had been satisfied was not publicly available on February 16, 2013, the first anniversary of the date of the award. At a meeting of the Compensation Committee ("Committee") held February 26, 2013, and confirmed by the Board of Directors ("Board") on February 27, 2013, the Committee and the Board determined that the performance conditions had been satisfied. The shares will now be reported as owned shares in Table I, and restrictions on the remaining shares will lapse on the 2nd and 3rd anniversary of the original date of the award, all in accordance with the award agreement.

3. The shares were sold in a series of transactions at a weighted average price of \$41.5686 per share.

4. 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:** 

Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney in Fact for William S. Hussey

02/28/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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