

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Hingtgen Tim</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD (Street) FRANKLIN TN 37067 (City) (State) (Zip)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC [CYH]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Division President		
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2016					
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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 Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/01/2016		M		35,000	A	\$0.00	69,407 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2016		M		6,667	A	\$0.00	76,074	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 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) (Instr. 4)	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				
Performance Based Restricted	\$0.00	03/01/2016		M ⁽²⁾			35,000	03/01/2016	02/28/2025	Common Stock	35,000	\$0.00	0	D	
Performance Based Restricted	\$0.00	03/01/2016		M ⁽³⁾			6,667	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	6,667	\$0.00	0	D	
Performance Based Restricted	\$0.00	03/01/2016		A			40,000	03/01/2017 ⁽⁴⁾	02/28/2026	Common Stock	40,000	\$0.00	40,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$36.76							05/20/2009	05/19/2018	Common Stock	1,500		1,500	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$33.9							02/24/2011	02/23/2020	Common Stock	1,000		1,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$37.96							02/23/2012	02/22/2021	Common Stock	1,000		1,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$21.07							02/16/2013	02/15/2022	Common Stock	334		334	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- On February 19, 2014, Reporting Person's shares of CYH common stock held in Reporting Person's brokerage account were transferred to another brokerage account held by Reporting Person. In conjunction with the transfer, the original broker automatically sold Reporting Person's fractional holdings, 0.128 shares, at a price of \$41.33 per share, for a total sale price of \$5.29. The Reporting Person's holdings on Table 1 have been updated to reflect the sale of those fractional shares.
- The performance objectives governing these shares of Performance Based Restricted Stock have been met, and, accordingly, these shares will now be reported in Table 1 as directly owned shares of Restricted Stock. The time-vesting restrictions lapse in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversary of the date of grant.
- Pursuant to the terms governing the award, the Company has achieved the cost savings ("synergies") from the Health Management Associates, Inc. ("HMA") merger transaction that were required to be achieved during the first two years following the HMA merger transaction, and, accordingly, the performance-based restrictions on the remaining portion of the award have lapsed as of the second anniversary of the date of grant. All such shares will now be reported on Table 1 as directly owned shares of Restricted Stock. There is also a time-vesting element. The time-vesting restrictions lapse in equal installments on the second and third anniversary of the date of grant.
- 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 adjusted EBITDA 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:

Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney 03/02/2016
in Fact for Tim Hingtgen

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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