

Smith Martin Dewayne  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Smith Martin Dewayne

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC [CYH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 4000 MERIDIAN BLVD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/16/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Division President

FRANKLIN, TN 37067  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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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 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                | (A)<br>or<br>(D)  | 73,222  | D  |                                   |

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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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. 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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Underlying Securities |   |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                     | Amount or Number of Underlying Securities |
| Performance Based Restricted               | \$ 0   | 02/16/2012                           |  | A                              | 20,000  | 02/16/2013 <sup>(1)</sup>                                | 02/15/2022  | Common Stock                              | 20,000                                    |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 20.17   | 02/16/2012                           |  | A                              | 8,000   | 02/16/2013 <sup>(2)</sup>                                | 02/15/2022  | Common Stock                              | 8,000                                     |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 27.7  |                                      |  |                                |   | 05/21/2003   | 05/20/2012  | Common Stock                              | 2,000                                     |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 25.7  |                                      |  |                                |   | 12/09/2004   | 12/08/2013  | Common Stock                              | 5,000                                     |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 25.13   |                                      |  |                                |   | 05/25/2005   | 05/25/2014  | Common Stock                              | 2,000                                     |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 32.37   |                                      |  |                                |   | 02/28/2006   | 02/28/2013  | Common Stock                              | 5,000                                     |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 38.3  |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/01/2007   | 03/01/2014  | Common Stock                              | 3,000                                     |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 37.21   |                                      |  |                                |   | 02/28/2008   | 02/28/2015  | Common Stock                              | 1,000                                     |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 40.41   |                                      |  |                                |   | 07/25/2008   | 07/24/2017  | Common Stock                              | 8,000                                     |



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