

HAMMONS KEVIN J
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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 *
 HAMMONS KEVIN J

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 BOULEVARD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/05/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP/Chief Accounting Officer

FRANKLIN, TN 37067

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	11/05/2012		M		10,000	A	\$ 20.3
							43,336
Common Stock	11/05/2012		S		24,335	D	\$ 29.524
							19,001

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)

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.3	11/05/2012		M		10,000		05/22/2004	05/22/2013	Common Stock	10,000
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	1,500
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.41							07/25/2008	07/24/2017	Common Stock	8,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.28							02/27/2009	02/27/2018	Common Stock	1,500
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.18							02/25/2010	02/24/2019	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.9							02/24/2011	02/23/2020	Common Stock	1,000
	\$ 37.96							02/23/2012	02/22/2021		1,000

Stock Options (Right to Buy)					Common Stock	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.07	02/16/2013	02/15/2022		Common Stock	4,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HAMMONS KEVIN J 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD FRANKLIN, TN 37067			VP/Chief Accounting Officer	

Signatures

Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney in Fact for Kevin J. Hammons	11/06/2012
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) These shares were sold in a series of transactions at a weighted average sales price of \$29.524 per share.

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