

Smith Martin Dewayne
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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)
 11/15/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Division President

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	11/15/2012		M		6,667 A \$ 15.11	D	104,093
Common Stock	11/15/2012		M		6,667 A \$ 18.18	D	110,760
Common Stock	11/15/2012		S		13,334 D 27.591	D	97,426

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.11	11/15/2012		M	6,667	12/10/2009 12/09/2018	Common Stock	6,667	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.18	11/15/2012		M	6,667	02/25/2010 02/24/2019	Common Stock	6,667	
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	\$ 37.21					02/28/2008 02/28/2015	Common Stock	1,500	

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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.

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