

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC
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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 *
 FRY JOHN A

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)
 02/16/2012

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock					17,846	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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/16/2012		A	6,645	02/16/2013 ⁽¹⁾ 02/15/2022	Common Stock	6,645
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.13					05/25/2005 05/25/2014	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.71					01/03/2006 01/03/2015	Common Stock	5,000
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					02/25/2010 02/24/2020	Common Stock	2,384
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0					02/24/2011 02/23/2020	Common Stock	2,754
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0					02/23/2012 02/22/2021	Common Stock	3,688

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FRY JOHN A 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD FRANKLIN, TN 37067		X		

Signatures

Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney in Fact for John Anderson Fry 02/17/2012

__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) The Restricted Stock Units vest in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversary date of the date of grant. Upon vesting, the Reporting Person will be issued that number of shares of the Common Stock of the Company.
- (2) The security converts to common stock on a one-to-one basis.

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