

Smith Martin Dewayne  
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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)

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)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock					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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
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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