

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC
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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
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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)
08/25/2008

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

FRANKLIN, TN 37067

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount or (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/25/2008	08/25/2008	M	200,000 A \$ 20.3	268,461	D	
Common Stock	08/25/2008	08/25/2008	S	150,175 D \$ 33.469	118,286	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)

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 Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.3	08/25/2008	08/25/2008	M		200,000		05/22/2004	05/22/2013	Common Stock
Performance Based Restricted Stock	\$ 0							07/25/2008 ⁽²⁾	07/24/2015 ⁽²⁾	Common Stock
Performance Based Restricted Stock	\$ 0							02/27/2009 ⁽²⁾	02/26/2018 ⁽²⁾	Common Stock
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.41							07/25/2008	07/24/2015	Common Stock
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.28							02/27/2009	02/26/2018	Common Stock
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.37							02/28/2006	02/28/2013	Common Stock
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.3							03/01/2007	03/01/2014	Common Stock
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.21							02/28/2008	02/28/2015	Common Stock

