

Fordham Benjamin C  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Fordham Benjamin C

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)  
 08/14/2018

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 EVP and General Counsel

FRANKLIN, TN 37210

(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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
							\$
Common Stock	08/14/2018		P		10,000	A	3.156
							120,629
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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)
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Performance Based Restricted	\$ 0			Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Based Restricted	\$ 0					03/01/2020 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/28/2027	Common Stock	20,000
Performance Based Restricted	\$ 0					03/01/2021 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/28/2028	Common Stock	35,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Fordham Benjamin C 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD FRANKLIN, TN 37210			EVP and General Counsel	

## Signatures

Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney in Fact for Benjamin C. Fordham	08/14/2018
**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 purchased in a series of transactions at a weighted average sales price of approximately \$3.156 per share.  
The vesting of these performance-based restricted shares is subject to the attainment of certain performance objectives between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2019 (the "2017-2019 Performance Period"). The target number (100%) of the total performance-based restricted shares is reported in the table set forth above. Between 0% and 200% of the target number of performance-based restricted shares subject to the attainment of the applicable performance objectives will ultimately vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant, with the vesting percentage to be determined based upon achievement with respect to the applicable criteria during the 2017-2019 Performance Period.
  - (2) The vesting of these performance-based restricted shares is subject to the attainment of certain performance objectives between January 1, 2018 and December 31, 2020 (the "2018-2020 Performance Period"). The target number (100%) of the total performance-based restricted shares is reported in the table set forth above. Between 0% and 200% of the target number of performance-based restricted shares subject to the attainment of the applicable performance measures will ultimately vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant, with the vesting percentage to be determined based upon achievement with respect to the applicable criteria during the 2018-2020 Performance Period.

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