

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC  
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**FORM 4**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 CASH W LARRY

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)  
 Executive VP and CFO

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)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	399,311	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. An	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Number of Shares
Performance Based Restricted	\$ 0	02/16/2012		A	40,000	02/16/2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	02/15/2022	Common Stock	4
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.17	02/16/2012		A	20,000	02/16/2013 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/15/2022	Common Stock	2
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.3					05/22/2004	05/22/2013	Common Stock	2
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.37					02/28/2006	02/28/2013	Common Stock	6
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.3					03/01/2007	03/01/2014	Common Stock	5
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.21					02/28/2008	02/28/2015	Common Stock	6
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.41					07/25/2008	07/24/2015	Common Stock	20
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.28					02/27/2009	02/26/2018	Common Stock	6
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.18					02/25/2010	02/24/2019	Common Stock	2
	\$ 33.9					02/24/2011	02/23/2020		2

