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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)
 03/01/2019

____ 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock | 03/01/2019 | | A | | 26,250 ⁽¹⁾ | A | \$ 0 146,879 D |
| Common Stock | 03/01/2019 | | F | | 9,839 | D | \$ 4.99 137,040 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 Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. An or Nu of | |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | |
| Performance Based Restricted Stock | \$ 0 | 03/01/2019 | | A | 52,500 | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 52 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 4.99 | 03/01/2019 | | A | 26,250 | 03/01/2020(3) | 02/28/2029 | Common Stock | 26 |
| Performance Based Restricted Stock | \$ 0 | | | | | (4) | (4) | Common Stock | 20 |
| Performance Based Restricted Stock | \$ 0 | | | | | (5) | (5) | Common Stock | 35 |

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
03/04/2019

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) The time-vesting restrictions on this award of restricted stock will lapse in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversary of the date of grant.

(2)

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The vesting of these performance-based restricted shares is allocated to the attainment of the following pre-determined performance objectives between 1/1/2019 and 12/31/2021 (the "2019-2021 Performance Period"), as follows: 50% to a Cumulative Same-Store Adjusted EBITDA Growth target; and 50% to a Cumulative Same-Store Net Revenue Growth target. 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 portion of the target number of performance-based restricted shares allocated to each performance objective will ultimately vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant, subject to the attainment of the applicable performance objective, with the vesting percentage to be determined based upon the level of achievement with respect to the applicable performance objective during the 2019-2021 Performance Period.

- (3) Vesting occurs in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversary of the date of grant.

The vesting of these performance-based restricted shares is subject to the attainment of certain performance objectives between 1/1/2017 and 12/31/2019 (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 portion of the target number of performance-based restricted shares allocated to each applicable performance objective will ultimately vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant, subject to the attainment of the applicable performance objective, with the vesting percentage to be determined based upon the level of achievement with respect to the applicable performance objective during the 2017-2019 Performance Period.

- (4)
- The vesting of these performance-based restricted shares is subject to the attainment of certain performance objectives between 1/1/2018 and 12/31/2020 (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 portion of the target number of performance-based restricted shares allocated to each applicable performance objective will ultimately vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant, subject to the attainment of the applicable performance objective, with the vesting percentage to be determined based upon the level of achievement with respect to the applicable performance objective during the 2018-2020 Performance Period.

- (5)

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