

NEWSOME GARY D  
Form 4  
July 29, 2008

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
NEWSOME GARY D

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)  
07/25/2008

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ 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)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	07/25/2008		M		15,000	A	\$ 0 76,179
Common Stock	07/25/2008		F		7,718	D	\$ 34.7 68,461

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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Share
Performance Based Restricted Stock	\$ 0	07/25/2008		M	15,000	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	15,000
Performance Based Restricted Stock	\$ 0					(2)	(2)	Common Stock	35,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.41					07/25/2008	07/24/2015	Common Stock	100,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.28					02/27/2009	02/27/2018	Common Stock	20,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.3					05/22/2004	05/22/2013	Common Stock	0
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.37					02/28/2006	02/28/2013	Common Stock	0
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.3					03/01/2007	03/01/2014	Common Stock	0
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.21					02/28/2008	02/28/2015	Common Stock	10,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NEWSOME GARY D 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD FRANKLIN, TN 37067			Division President - Group Ops	

## Signatures

Rachel A. Seifert, Attorney in Fact for Gary D.  
Newsome

07/29/2008

\_\_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 performance objectives governing 50% of these shares of Restricted Stock have been met, and, accordingly, these shares will now be reported in Table 1 as directly owned shares of Restricted Stock. The restrictions lapse on 50% (1/2) of the shares on the first anniversary of the date of grant, and, provided the performance objectives for the second 1/2 are met, 50% (1/2) on the second anniversary of the date of grant (7/25/2007).

(2) Each performance based restricted share represents a contingent right to receive one share of CYH common stock. There are two elements to the lapsing of the restriction; first, the Company must achieve specified targeted amount of earnings per share from continuing operations, and if the performance objective is met, the vesting restrictions will lapse in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversary of the date of grant.

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