Hingtgen Tim Form 4 October 03, 2017

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

(City)

Common

Stock

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Hingtgen Tim

(Last) (First) (Middle)

4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD

(Street)

FRANKLIN, TN 37067

(State)

10/01/2017

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC [CYH] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) below) President and COO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of

Price

7.68

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3) any Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

(Zip)

Code V Amount

(D) F 6,992

(D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

(Instr. 3 and 4)

(D) or Transaction(s)

Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

181,197 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.18					05/20/2009	05/19/2018	Common Stock	1,500
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.32					02/24/2011	02/23/2020	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.38					02/23/2012	02/22/2021	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.49					02/16/2013	02/15/2022	Common Stock	334
Performance Based Restricted	\$ 0					03/01/2020(1)	02/28/2027	Common Stock	37,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Hingtgen Tim 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD FRANKLIN, TN 37067	X		President and COO				
Signatures							
Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney in Fa Hingtgen	ct for Tim		10/03/2017				
**Signature of Reporting Perso	n		Date				

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- * 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).

The vesting of 80% of these performance-based restricted shares is subject to the attainment of a pre-determined level of Cumulative Same-Store Adjusted EBITDA Growth between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2019 (the "Performance Period"). The vesting of the remaining 20% of these performance-based restricted shares is subject to the attainment of a pre-determined level of Cumulative Adjusted EBS for the Performance Period. The transfer was the subject to the attainment of a pre-determined level of Cumulative Adjusted

(1) EPS for the 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 Cumulative Same-Store Adjusted EBITDA Growth and Cumulative Adjusted EPS criteria, as applicable, 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 Performance Period.

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