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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add PORTACCI M	•	_	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) 4000 MERIDIAN BOU		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2017	Director 10% Owner State of the low of		
(Street) 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 Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner		

(City)	(State) (A	Table	I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/01/2017		Code V A	Amount 20,000 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 0	(Instr. 3 and 4) 89,841	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		M	35,000	A	\$0	124,841	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		F	14,685	D	\$ 9.19	110,156	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)	Code	FransactionDerivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 an	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Performance Based Restricted	\$ 0	03/01/2017		M(2)			35,000	03/01/2017	02/28/2026	Common Stock
Performance Based Restricted	\$ 0	03/01/2017		A		20,000		03/01/2020(3)	02/28/2027	Common Stock
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 28.7							02/27/2009	02/26/2018	Common Stock
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.32							02/24/2011	02/23/2020	Common Stock
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.38							02/23/2012	02/22/2021	Common Stock
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.49							02/16/2013	02/15/2022	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
PORTACCI MICHAEL T						
4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD			Division President			
FRANKLIN, TN 37067						

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Date

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Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney in Fact for Michael T.	03/02/2017
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**Signature of Reporting Person

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) 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.
- The performance objectives governing these shares of Performance Based Restricted Stock have been met, and, accordingly, these shares will now be reported in Table 1 as directly owned shares of Restricted Stock. The time-vesting restrictions lapse in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversary of the date of grant.
 - 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
- (3) Adjusted 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.

Remarks:

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NOTE: The per share exercise price of each option listed on Table II granted prior to April 29, 2016, was adjusted pursuant to Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays

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