BUFORD T MARK

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BUFORD T MARK	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	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2010	Director 10% Owner Other (specify below)		
(Street)	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		
FRANKLIN, TN 37067		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/27/2010		Code V F	Amount 2,893	(D)	Price \$ 34.27	84,155	D	
Common Stock	02/28/2010		F	2,894	D	\$ 34.27	81,261	D	

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secun (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.3					05/22/2004	05/22/2013	Common Stock	13,334	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.37					02/28/2006	02/28/2013	Common Stock	20,000	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.3					03/01/2007	03/01/2014	Common Stock	15,000	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.21					02/28/2008	02/28/2015	Common Stock	7,500	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.28					02/27/2009	02/26/2018	Common Stock	7,500	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.41					07/25/2008	07/25/2015	Common Stock	15,000	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.18					02/25/2010	02/25/2019	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Options (Right to	\$ 33.9					02/24/2011	02/24/2020	Common Stock	5,000	

Buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BUFORD T MARK

VP/Chief

4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD

FRANKLIN, TN 37067

Officer

Signatures

Christopher Cobb, Attorney in Fact for T. Mark
Buford
03/01/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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