COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC Form 3 May 17, 2017 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Aaron Thomas J			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC [CYH]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	05/16/2017	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
4000 MERI	IDIAN							
BOULEVARD				(Check all applicable)				
(Street) FRANKLIN, TN 37067				Director 10% Owner X_Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) EVP and CFO		•	 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 - I	Non-Derivat	ive Securiti	es Be	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	ırity		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	•	
Common S	tock		213,549		D	Â		
Reminder: Rep owned directly	-		ch class of securities benefic	ially S	EC 1473 (7-02)		
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Title	Derivative	Security:		
			Security	Direct (D)		

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		Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Performance Based Restricted	03/01/2020(1)	02/28/2027	Common Stock	12,500	\$ 0	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
hepotong of the trainer trainess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Aaron Thomas J 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD FRANKLIN, TN 37067	Â	Â	EVP and CFO	Â		
Signatures						
Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney in F Aaron	act for Thomas J 05/17/2017			7		
**Signature of Reporting Person			Date			

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- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
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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 EPS for the Performance Period. The target number (100%) of the total performance-based restricted shares is reported in the table set

(1) 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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