

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**MILLER DAVID LEWIS**

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)  
**155 FRANKLIN ROAD, SUITE 400**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/16/2005**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Executive Officer - Reporting**

**BRENTWOOD, TN 37027**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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 or Price		
Common Stock	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	M		200,000 A \$ 13	305,997	D
Common Stock	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	S		76,500 D \$ 32.75	229,497	D
Common Stock	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	S		4,600 D \$ 32.76	224,897	D
Common Stock	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	S		2,600 D \$ 32.77	222,297	D
Common Stock	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	S		16,900 D \$ 32.78	205,397	D

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Common Stock	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	S	5,800	D	\$ 32.79	199,597	D
Common Stock	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	S	70,800	D	\$ 32.8	128,797	D
Common Stock	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	S	4,400	D	\$ 32.81	124,397	D
Common Stock	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	S	1,100	D	\$ 32.82	123,297	D
Common Stock	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	S	3,700	D	\$ 32.83	119,597	D
Common Stock	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	S	3,200	D	\$ 32.84	116,397	D
Common Stock	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	S	600	D	\$ 32.85	115,797	D
Common Stock	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	S	1,700	D	\$ 32.86	114,097	D
Common Stock	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	S	6,900	D	\$ 32.87	107,197	D
Common Stock	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	S	1,200	D	\$ 32.88	105,997	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)	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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 6.99					01/30/1999	01/30/2008	Common Stock	6,809
Stock Options	\$ 13	03/16/2005	03/16/2005	M	200,000	06/08/2001	06/08/2010	Common Stock	200,000

(Right to buy)

Stock

Options (Right to buy) \$ 20.3

05/22/2004 05/22/2013

Common Stock

200,000

Stock

Options (Right to buy) \$ 32.37

02/28/2006 02/28/2015

Common Stock

30,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MILLER DAVID LEWIS 155 FRANKLIN ROAD SUITE 400 BRENTWOOD, TN 37027			Executive Officer - Reporting	

## Signatures

Rachel A. Seifert, Attorney  
in Fact

03/16/2005

\_\_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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