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COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC Form 8-K October 20, 2015

## **UNITED STATES**

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

## **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of

The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): October 20, 2015 (October 20, 2015)

## COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

001-15925 (Commission 13-3893191 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)

**Identification No.)** 

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## 4000 Meridian Boulevard

## Franklin, Tennessee 37067

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (615) 465-7000

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- "Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### **Item 8.01 Other Events**

On October 20, 2015, Community Health Systems, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that Martin D. Smith will join the executive management team of Quorum Health Corporation (QHC), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, as Executive Vice President of Operations. As previously announced, QHC is expected to become an independent publicly traded company as a result of the spin-off by the Company of the stock of QHC to the Company s stockholders. Upon completion of the spin-off, QHC will operate a group of 38 hospitals and Quorum Health Resources, LLC, a leading hospital and management consulting business. A copy of the press release making this announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference into this Item 8.01.

#### **Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

The following item is included as an Exhibit to this Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference:

## **Exhibit No.** Description

99.1 Community Health Systems, Inc. Press Release, dated October 20, 2015.

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: October 20, 2015 COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC. (Registrant)

By: /s/ W. Larry Cash
W. Larry Cash
President of Financial Services, Chief Financial
Officer and Director
(principal financial officer)

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