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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading PORTACCI MICHAEL T Issuer Symbol **COMMUNITY HEALTH** (Check all applicable) SYSTEMS INC [CYH] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD 11/04/2013 **Division President** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting FRANKLIN, TN 37067 Person

(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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities A order Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and (A) or Amount (D)	(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	11/04/2013		M	20,000 A	\$ 38.3	46,892	D				
Common Stock	11/04/2013		S	20,000 D	\$ 43.7546 (1)	26,892	D				

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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)	Code	TransactionDerivative			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An Nu Sh
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.3	11/04/2013		M			20,000	03/01/2007	02/28/2016	Common Stock	2
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.21							02/28/2008	02/27/2017	Common Stock	1
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.41							07/25/2008	07/24/2017	Common Stock	10
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.28							02/27/2009	02/26/2018	Common Stock	2
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.9							02/24/2011	02/23/2020	Common Stock	1
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.96							02/23/2012	02/22/2021	Common Stock	1
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.07							02/16/2013	02/15/2022	Common Stock	8
Performance Based Restricted	\$ 0							02/27/2014(2)	02/26/2023	Common Stock	2

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PORTACCI MICHAEL T 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD FRANKLIN, TN 37067

Division President

Signatures

Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney in Fact for Michael T. Portacci

11/04/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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 shares were sold in a series of transactions at a weighted average price of \$43.7546 per share.
 - Each performance based restricted share represents a contingent right to receive one share of CYH common stock. There are two elements to the lapsing of the restriction; first, the Company must achieve specified targeted amount of earnings per share from
- (2) continuing operations, or net revenue from continuing operations, and if the performance objective is met, the vesting restrictions will lapse in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversary of the date of grant. If the objectives are not met, the shares will be forfeited.

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