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Form 10-K/A  
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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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### FORM 10-K/A

(Amendment No. 1)  
FOR ANNUAL AND TRANSITION REPORTS  
PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

(Mark One)

- ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the year ended December 31, 2002

OR

- TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission file number 001-15925

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## COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State of incorporation)

**13-3893191**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**155 Franklin Road, Suite 400**  
Brentwood, Tennessee  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**37027**  
(zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (615) 373-9600

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class  
Common Stock, \$.01 par value

Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered  
New York Stock Exchange

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Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

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Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of Registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. o

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act) Yes  No

The aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates of the Registrant was \$1,411,025,735. Market value is determined by reference to the closing price on June 28, 2002 of the Registrant's Common Stock as reported by the New York Stock Exchange. As of March 10, 2003 there were 98,320,010 shares of common stock, par value \$.01 per share outstanding.

### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the Registrant's definitive Proxy Statement to be filed under Regulation 14A in connection with the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Registrant scheduled to be held on May 22, 2003 have been incorporated by reference into Part III of this Report.

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### Explanatory Note

This Amendment No. 1 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Community Health Systems, Inc. amends and restates in its entirety Item 15 of Part IV for the sole purpose of adding Exhibits 10.20, 10.21 and 10.22, which are being filed herewith.

### PART IV

#### Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules, and Reports on Form 8-K

Item 15(a)(1), 15(a)(2) and 15(d):

The following financial statement schedule is filed as part of this Report at page 8 hereof:

Schedule II Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

All other schedules are omitted since the required information is not present or is not present in amounts sufficient to require submission of the schedule, or because the information required is included in the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto.

Item 15(a)(3) and 15(c):

The following exhibits are filed with this Report.

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10.17	Community Health Systems, Inc. Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.17 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002)
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10.19	Community Health Systems Deferred Compensation Plan, as amended effective October 1, 1993; January 1, 1994; January 1, 1995; April 1, 1999; July 1, 2000; and June 1, 2001 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.19 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002)
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- 99.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002\*
  - 99.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002\*
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Filed herewith.

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Previously filed.

Item 15(b):

Form 8-K, dated October 23, 2002, in connection with our press release related to third quarter 2002 operating results.

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### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Rule 12b-15 of the Securities Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

By:                     /s/ WAYNE T. SMITH                    

Wayne T. Smith  
*Chairman of the Board  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
April 10, 2003*

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### Certifications

I, Wayne T. Smith, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K/A of Community Health Systems, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this annual report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this annual report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this annual report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this annual report;
- 4.

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The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14) for the registrant and we have:

- a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this annual report is being prepared;
- b) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this quarterly report (the "Evaluation Date"); and
- c) presented in this annual report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of the Evaluation Date;

5.

The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):

- a) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and
- b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and

6.

The registrant's other certifying officers and I have indicated in this annual report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Date: April 10, 2003

/s/ WAYNE T. SMITH

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Wayne T. Smith  
*Chairman of the Board, President and  
Chief Executive Officer*

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I, W. Larry Cash, certify that:

1.

I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K/A of Community Health Systems, Inc.;

2.

Based on my knowledge, this annual report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this annual report;

3.

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Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this annual report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this annual report;

4.

The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14) for the registrant and we have:

a)

designed such disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this annual report is being prepared;

b)

evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this annual report (the "Evaluation Date"); and

c)

presented in this annual report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of the Evaluation Date;

5.

The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):

a)

all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and

b)

any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and

6.

The registrant's other certifying officers and I have indicated in this annual report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Date: April 10, 2003

/s/ W. LARRY CASH

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W. Larry Cash  
*Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer*

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### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of  
Community Health Systems, Inc.

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Brentwood, Tennessee

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Community Health Systems, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2002 and 2001, and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2002, and have issued our report thereon dated February 18, 2003 (which report expresses an unqualified opinion and includes an explanatory paragraph referring to the Company changing its method of accounting for goodwill and other intangible assets by adopting certain provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets* effective January 1, 2002), included elsewhere in this Annual Report. Our audits also included the consolidated financial statement schedule listed in Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. This consolidated financial statement schedule is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion based on our audits. In our opinion, such consolidated financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly in all material respects the information set forth therein.

Nashville, Tennessee  
February 18, 2003

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## Community Health Systems, Inc. and Subsidiaries

### Schedule II Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

(In Thousands)

Description	Balance at Beginning of Year	Charged to Costs and Expenses	Write-offs	Balance at End of Year
Year ended December 31, 2002 allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 63,880	\$ 201,334	\$ (192,104)	\$ 73,110
Year ended December 31, 2001 allowance for doubtful accounts	52,935	156,226	(145,281)	63,880
Year ended December 31, 2000 allowance for doubtful accounts	34,499	122,303	(103,867)	52,935

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