COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC Form 8-K April 15, 2011

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 April 15, 2011 Date of Report (date of earliest event reported) COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-15925 (Commission File Number) 13-3893191 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (I7 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On Friday, April 8, 2011, Community Health Systems, Inc. received a document subpoena, dated March 31, 2011, from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Inspector General (the OIG), in connection with an investigation of possible improper claims submitted to Medicare and Medicaid. The subpoena, issued from the OIG s Chicago, Illinois office, requests documents from all of our hospitals and appears to concern emergency department processes and procedures, including our hospitals use of the Pro-MED Clinical Information System, which is a third-party software system that assists with the management of patient care and provides operational support and data collection for emergency department management and has the ability to track discharge, transfer, and admission recommendations of emergency department physicians. The subpoena also requests other information about our relationships with emergency department physicians, including financial arrangements. The subpoena s requests are very similar to those contained in the Civil Investigative Demands received by our Texas hospitals from the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas on November 15, 2010 (and disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010, p. 39). We do not know if the subpoena is related in any way to the allegations contained in the lawsuit styled Tenet Healthcare Corporation vs. Community Health Systems, Inc., et al. (No. 3:11-cv-00732-M) filed in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas on April 11, 2011. We are cooperating fully with the OIG in connection with this subpoena and are currently unable to predict the outcome of this investigation.

The information furnished pursuant to this Item 7.01 shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act.

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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: April 15, 2011

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC. (Registrant)

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