

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC  
Form 8-K  
October 10, 2013

**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 10, 2013 (October 9, 2013)**

**COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

**001-15925**  
(Commission

File Number)

**13-3893191**  
(IRS Employer

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**

**N/A**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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 9, 2013, Community Health Systems, Inc. (the Company ) provided an update with respect to the Federal Trade Commission and the Securities and Exchange Commission review processes in connection with the Company s proposed acquisition of Health Management Associates, Inc. A copy of the press release providing this update is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

The following items are included as Exhibits to this report and incorporated herein by reference:

**EXHIBIT**

| NO.  | DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBIT  |
|------|---|
| 99.1 | Community Health System, Inc. press release dated October 9, 2013 |

**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.

**COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.**

Date: October 10, 2013

By: /s/ Wayne T. Smith  
Wayne T. Smith  
Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer

(principal executive officer)

By: /s/ W. Larry Cash  
W. Larry Cash  
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Director

(principal financial officer)

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