

HEALTH MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATES, INC  
Form 425  
December 09, 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): December 6, 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)
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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 December 6, 2013, Community Health Systems, Inc. (the Company ) sent a letter to the American Federation of Teachers in response to a letter, dated December 3, 2013, from the American Federation of Teachers to the Company relating to the Company's proposed acquisition of Health Management Associates, Inc., copies of which are 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	Letter of Community Health Systems, Inc., dated December 6, 2013, responding to the letter, dated December 3, 2013, of the American Federation of Teachers

**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: December 6, 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

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