

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC  
Form 8-K  
December 06, 2016

**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 5, 2016 (December 5, 2016)**

**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**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
**Identification No.)**

**4000 Meridian Boulevard**

**Franklin, Tennessee 37067**

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(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (615) 465-7000

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement**

On December 5, 2016, Community Health Systems, Inc. (the Company ) and its wholly-owned subsidiary CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc. (the Borrower ) entered into the Amendment No. 2 (the Amendment ), among the Company, the Borrower, the subsidiary guarantors party thereto, the lenders party thereto and Credit Suisse AG, as administrative agent and collateral agent (the Agent ), to the Credit Agreement (the Credit Agreement ), dated as of July 25, 2007, among the Company, the Borrower, the lenders party thereto, and the Agent, as amended and restated as of November 5, 2010, February 2, 2012 and January 27, 2014, and as amended by the Amendment No. 1 and Incremental Term Loan Assumption Agreement, dated as of March 9, 2015 and the Incremental Term Loan Assumption Agreement dated as of May 18, 2015.

Pursuant to the Amendment, certain specified financial covenants (consisting of a maximum secured net leverage ratio and an interest coverage ratio) were amended. The Amendment provides that the secured net leverage ratio must not exceed the following levels for the following periods: (i) from December 31, 2013 through December 31, 2015, 4.50 to 1.00; (ii) from January 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016, 4.25 to 1.00; (iii) from October 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017, 4.50 to 1.00; and (iv) thereafter, 4.00 to 1.00. The Amendment also provides that the interest coverage ratio must be greater than or equal to the following levels for the following periods: (i) from December 31, 2013 to December 31, 2017, 2.00 to 1.00 and (ii) thereafter, 2.25 to 1.00.

The Amendment also contains certain additional covenants by the Company and the Borrower, for the benefit of the Revolving Credit Lenders and the 2019 Term A Lenders.

The foregoing summary of the Amendment and the transactions contemplated thereby does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by, the full text of the Amendment, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant**

The information set forth in Item 1.0.1 above is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

The following item is included as an Exhibit to this Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference:

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
10.1	Amendment No. 2, dated as of December 5, 2016, among CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc., Community Health Systems, Inc., the subsidiary guarantors party thereto, the lenders party thereto and Credit Suisse AG, as Administrative Agent and Collateral Agent.

**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: December 5, 2016

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.  
(Registrant)

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

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