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COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC Form 8-K August 22, 2012

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): August 22, 2012 (August 22, 2012)

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

001-15925 (Commission 13-3893191 (IRS Employer

of incorporation) File Number) 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)

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

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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On August 22, 2012 (the Closing Date), Community Health Systems, Inc. (the Company) and its wholly-owned subsidiary CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc. (the Borrower) entered into a loan modification agreement (the Loan Modification) effective as of the Closing Date with respect to their existing credit agreement, dated as of July 25, 2007, as amended and restated as of November 5, 2010 and February 2, 2010, and as amended as of August 3, 2012, among the Company, the Borrower, the lenders party thereto and Credit Suisse AG, as administrative agent and collateral agent (as amended, the Credit Agreement).

The Loan Modification extends the maturities and increases the interest rate margins of approximately \$340 million of the existing non-extended term loans under the Credit Agreement to match the maturity and interest rate margins of the extended term loans under the Credit Agreement.

The foregoing summary of the Loan Modification 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 Loan Modification, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 hereto and incorporated into this report by reference.

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

The disclosures under Item 1.01 of this report are also responsive to Item 2.03 of this report and are incorporated by reference into this Item 2.03.

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

10.1

Loan Modification Agreement, dated as of August 22, 2012, to the Credit Agreement, dated as of July 25, 2007, as amended and restated as of November 5, 2010, and February 2, 2012, and as amended as of August 3, 2012, among CHS/Community Health Systems, Inc., Community Health Systems, Inc., the guarantors party thereto, the lenders party thereto and Credit Suisse AG, as administrative agent and as collateral agent for the Lenders.

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: August 22, 2012

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.

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

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Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Director

(principal financial officer)

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