

CENTENE CORP  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**HITCHCOCK ROBERT T**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**7700 FORSYTH BLVD.**  
  
(Street)

**ST. LOUIS, MO 63105**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**CENTENE CORP [CNC]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**11/04/2014**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
EVP Health Plans

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |   |   |
| Common Stock                    | 11/04/2014                           |  | G                              | V   | 1,600   | D  | \$ 0 22,452 <sup>(1)</sup>                            | D |
| Common Stock                    | 12/09/2014                           |  | A                              |   | 5,000   | A  | \$ 99.25 27,452 <sup>(1)</sup>                        | D |
| Common Stock                    | 12/10/2014                           |  | F                              |   | 544 <sup>(2)</sup>  | D  | \$ 99.5 26,908 <sup>(1)</sup>                         | D |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares                         |
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Code   | V   | (A)  | (D)  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                  | Relationships |           |                  |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer          | Other |
| HITCHCOCK ROBERT T<br>7700 FORSYTH BLVD.<br>ST. LOUIS, MO 63105 |               |           | EVP Health Plans |       |

## Signatures

/s/ William N. Scheffel (executed by attorney-in-fact)

12/11/2014

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) Ownership includes this award of 5,000 restricted stock units. Half of the units will vest in three annual installments on the anniversary of the grant date. The remaining half are performance stock units. The number of performance stock units vesting over three annual installments is predicated on meeting a one year performance condition. In addition, ownership includes previous awards of 13,750 restricted stock units subject to vesting requirements.

(2) Shares withheld for taxes upon vesting of previously reported stock grant.

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