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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GEPHARDT Richard A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	CENTENE CORP [CNC] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD		EVARD	(Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2016	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
ST. LOUIS, MO 63105				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	equired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner		

(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-L	Derivative So	ecuriti	es Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securitie	es Acqu	uired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Disp	posed o	of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4	and 5)		Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	(D) or	Ownership
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported	(Instr. 4)	
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/31/2016		A	586.265	A	\$ 59.7	52,954.544 ₍₁₎	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)

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transacti	5.	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da		7. Title and Amount of	8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(i.i.dia. Dayi Teal)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/) e		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title Amour or Numbe of Shares	er	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GEPHARDT Richard A 7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD ST. LOUIS, MO 63105	X						

Signatures

/s/ Keith H. Williamson (executed by attorney-in-fact) 04/04/2016

**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 2,910 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting requirements.

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