**CENTENE CORP** Form 4

December 13, 2016

### 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 ** Williamson Keith H			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			CENTENE CORP [CNC]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	••			
7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD			(Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2016	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  EVP, Secr. & General Counsel			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
ST. LOUIS, MO 63105			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zin)					

(City)	(State) (	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y 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 n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/01/2016		G V	700	D	\$0	104,351 (1)	D	
Common Stock	12/09/2016		F	3,197 (2)	D	\$ 56.94	101,154 (1)	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2016		F	3,198 (2)	D	\$ 56.8	97,956 <u>(1)</u>	D	

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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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Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	unt of	Derivative	Deriv
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						Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Williamson Keith H 7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD ST. LOUIS, MO 63105

EVP, Secr. & General Counsel

### **Signatures**

/s/ Jeffrey A. Schwaneke (executed by attorney-in-fact)

12/13/2016

\*\*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 previous awards of 26,666 restricted stock units subject to vesting requirements.
- (2) Shares withheld for taxes upon vesting of previously reported stock grant.

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