**CENTENE CORP** Form 4 December 17, 2015

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Hunter Jesse N			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTENE CORP [CNC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
7700 FORS	YTH BOUL	EVARD	(Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2015	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, Chief Bus. Dev. Officer		
	(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 A	cauired Disposed of ar Repeticially Owne		

(- 3)	(*******)	17 Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurii	nes Acq	uirea, Disposea o	i, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securiti	ies Ac	quired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Dis	sposed	of (D)	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4	and 5	j)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/15/2015		A	40,000	A	\$ 56.8	237,219 (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 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ie e	7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.6					12/12/2011	12/12/2016	Common Stock	24,000
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.42					04/28/2013	04/28/2018	Common Stock	20,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hunter Jesse N

7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD EVP, Chief Bus. Dev. Officer

ST. LOUIS, MO 63105

# **Signatures**

/s/ William N. Scheffel (executed by attorney-in-fact) 12/17/2015

\*\*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).
- Ownership includes this award of 40,000 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 at the end of the three year period is predicated on meeting three-year performance conditions. In addition, ownership includes previous awards of 66,668 restricted stock units subject to vesting requirements.

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