CENTENE CORP Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MINIFIE C DAVID			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTENE CORP [CNC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)			
7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD		EVARD	(Month/Day/Year) 12/09/2014	Director 10% Owner Other (specify below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
ST. LOUIS, I	MO 63105		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

ST.	LO	JIS,	MO	631	105

(City)	(State) ((Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	n(A) or Di	ecurities Acquired or Disposed of (D) tr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/09/2014		A	7,000	A	\$ 99.25	25,173 <u>(1)</u>	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2014		F	556 <u>(2)</u>	D	\$ 99.5	24,617 (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)

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)		e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	: :
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	\$ 0 (3)					12/20/2013	12/20/2013(4)	Common Stock	125.723	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MINIFIE C DAVID 7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD ST. LOUIS, MO 63105

CMO, EVP Corporate Strategy

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).
- Ownership includes this award of 7,000 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 11,833 restricted stock units subject to vesting requirements.
- (2) Shares withheld for taxes upon vesting of previously reported stock grant.
- (3) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive the fair market value of one share of Centene common stock.
- (4) The phantom stock has no formal expiration date. The phantom stock will be settled in cash or other non-Company securities upon Mr. Minifie's termination with the Company or on such other date Mr. Minifie may elect.

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