

NEIDORFF MICHAEL F

Form 4

December 14, 2017

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
NEIDORFF MICHAEL F

(Last) (First) (Middle)

7700 FORYSTH BOULEVARD

(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)
12/12/2017

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)

Chairman & CEO

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)
Common Stock	12/12/2017		G	V 50	D \$ 0	3,724,279.1753 (1)	D
Common Stock	12/13/2017		A	160,000	A \$ 100.86	3,884,279.1753 (1)	D
Common Stock	12/14/2017		F	14,385 (2)	D \$ 101.19	3,869,894.1753 (1)	D
Common Stock					3,600	I	By Spouse
Common Stock					200,000	I	By GRAT (3)

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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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	\$ 0 ⁽⁴⁾							02/11/2011	02/11/2011 ⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock	101,138.0
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 57.02							12/14/2019	12/14/2026	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
NEIDORFF MICHAEL F 7700 FORYSTH BOULEVARD ST. LOUIS, MO 63105	X Chairman & CEO

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey A. Schwaneke (executed by
attorney-in-fact) 12/14/2017

 **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 160,000 restricted stock units. 96,000 units 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. The remaining 64,000

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units will vest in three annual installments on the anniversary of the grant date. In addition, ownership includes previous awards of 430,000 restricted stock units subject to vesting requirements.

- (2) Shares withheld for taxes upon vesting of previously reported stock grant.
- (3) Owned by a grantor retained annuity trust of which Mr. Neidorff is the trustee and beneficiary of the annuity.
- (4) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive the fair market value of one share of Centene common stock.
- (5) The phantom stock has no formal expiration date. The phantom stock will be settled in cash or other non-Company securities upon Mr. Neidorff's termination with the Company or on such other date Mr. Neidorff may elect.

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