CENTENE CORP Form 4 December 17, 2015

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Baldwin Kenneth Rone			2. Issuer Name and 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)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD			12/15/2015	X_ Officer (give title Other (specif below)			
				EVP, Insurance Group			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
ST. LOUIS,	MO 63105			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	Table Table	I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ies Ac	quired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of		
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Disposed of (D)			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial			
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership		
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
					(4)		Reported				
					(A)		Transaction(s)				
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	12/15/2015		A	35,000	A	\$ 56.8	137,770 <u>(1)</u>	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amour	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underl	ying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ies	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr. 3	3 and 4)		Own
	Security				Acquired						Follo
					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
							Expiration Date		or Number		
				Code V	(A) (D)						
				Code V	(A) (D)				of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Baldwin Kenneth Rone

7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD EVP, Insurance Group

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 35,000 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 53,334 restricted stock units subject to vesting requirements.

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