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Form 5 obligation may cont <i>See</i> Instru 1(b).	inue. Section 17	7(a) of the 1	Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section ) of the Investment Company Act of 1940								
(Print or Type I	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Williamson Keith H			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 (Chec					k all applicable)			
7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD			(Month/Day/Year) 12/13/2016					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) EVP, Secr. & General Counsel			
				ndment, Da nth/Day/Year	-			<ul><li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check</li><li>Applicable Line)</li><li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person</li></ul>			
ST. LOUIS,	MO 63105							Form filed by M Person	ore than One Re	porting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed of	or Beneficial	y Owned	
(Instr. 3)			n Date, if	3.4. Securities AcquiredTransactior(A) or Disposed of (D)Code(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)(Instr. 8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	12/13/2016			А	15,000	А	\$ 56.26	112,956 <u>(1)</u>	D		
Common Stock	12/15/2016			F	1,599 (2)	D	\$ 56.14	111,357 <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)

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4	int of rlying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
1 0	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 attorney-in-fact)	l by		12/15/2016					
**Signature of Reporting Perso	on		Date					
Explanation of Resp	one	<u>oe</u> .						

## 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 15,000 restricted stock units. 6,000 units will vest in three annual installments on the anniversary of the grant date. The remaining 9,000 units are performance stock units. The number of performance stock units vesting at the end of the three

- (1) grant date. The remaining 2,000 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. In addition, ownership includes 23,333 shares of restricted stock units subject to vesting requirements.
- (2) Shares withheld for taxes upon vesting of previously reported stock grant.

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