

CENTENE CORP  
Form 8-K/A  
December 19, 2011

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

FORM 8-K/A

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): September 15, 2011

CENTENE CORPORATION  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

001-31826  
(Commission File Number)

42-1406317  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

7700 Forsyth Blvd.  
St. Louis, Missouri  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

63105  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (314) 725-4477

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

.. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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  - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

(d) This Amendment to a Current Report on Form 8-K/A supplements the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on September 15, 2011 regarding the election of Orlando Ayala to our board of directors. The purpose of this Amendment is to announce Mr. Ayala's appointment to the Compensation Committee and new Technology Committee, effective December 14, 2011.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CENTENE CORPORATION

Date: December 19, 2011

By:

/s/ William N. Scheffel  
William N. Scheffel  
Executive Vice President & Chief  
Financial Officer