

SCHEFFEL WILLIAM N

Form 4/A

December 23, 2010

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 *
SCHEFFEL WILLIAM N

(Last) (First) (Middle)

7700 FORSYTH 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)
12/14/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)
12/16/2010

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify
below)

Exec VP, CFO & Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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	12/14/2010		A	25,000	A \$ 23.88	136,498 ⁽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)**

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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)		8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.35					12/01/2008	12/01/2013	Common Stock	28,486	
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.65					05/04/2009	05/04/2014	Common Stock	30,000	
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.07					12/08/2009	12/08/2014	Common Stock	50,000	
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32.06					07/26/2010	07/26/2015	Common Stock	25,000	
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.4					12/13/2010	12/13/2015	Comon Stock	10,000	
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.21					12/12/2011	12/12/2016	Common Stock	10,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

SCHEFFEL WILLIAM N
7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD
ST. LOUIS, MO 63105

Exec VP, CFO & Treasurer

Signatures

/s/ William N.
Scheffel

12/23/2010

____Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Ownership includes this award of 25,000 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 31,334 restricted stock units which are subject to vesting requirements.

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