

SCHEFFEL WILLIAM N  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

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)  
06/03/2011

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

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  
\_\_\_ 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	06/03/2011		S	V 40,000 (1)	(A) or (D) \$ 34.68	D	
					126,742 (2)	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. Principal Amount of Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.07					12/08/2009 12/08/2014	Common Stock	3
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	Common 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			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCHEFFEL WILLIAM N 7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD ST. LOUIS, MO 63105			Exec VP, CFO & Treasurer	

**Signatures**

/s/ William N. Scheffel  
 06/07/2011  
 \*\*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) This sale is pursuant to a 10b5-1 Trading Plan established May 20, 2011. The weighted average price for this transaction is reported within the form. Full information regarding the number of shares at each price is available upon request.
- (2) Mr. Scheffel's ownership includes previous awards of 56,334 restricted stock units subject to vesting requirements.

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