

ROBERTS JOHN R
Form 4
October 02, 2009

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ROBERTS JOHN R

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
CENTENE CORP [CNC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
7711 CARONDELET AVENUE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/30/2009

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

ST. LOUIS, MO 63105

(City) (State) (Zip)

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	09/30/2009		A	V Amount (1) 1,616.658	(A) or (D) Price A \$ 35,503.705 (2) 19.33	D	
Common Stock					20,541	I	See footnote (3)

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. 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)	\$ 16.91					12/10/2013	12/10/2018	Common Stock	5,000	
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.65					04/26/2005	05/04/2014	Common Stock	10,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
ROBERTS JOHN R 7711 CARONDELET AVENUE ST. LOUIS, MO 63105	X

Signatures

/s/ William N. Scheffel (executed by
attorney-in-fact) 10/02/2009

____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) Shares represent restricted stock units reserved in lieu of cash payment of fees under the Company's Non-employee Directors Stock Compensation Plan.
- (2) Mr. Roberts' ownership includes 5,073 shares of restricted stock which are subject to vesting requirements.
- (3) Owned by a revocable trust for the benefit of Mr. Roberts' spouse.

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