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DITMORE ROBERT K Sy			Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTENE CORP [CNC]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First)	Middle							(Check	all applicable)		
(Mo			(Month/	 Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/30/2017 					X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)				
				Amendment, Date Original Month/Day/Year)					 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 				
ST. LOUIS	, MO 63105								Person	ore than One Rej	porting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Noi	n-I	Derivative S	Securit	ties Acqu	uired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deem Execution any (Month/D	ed Date, if	3.	ctio 3)	4. Securitio for Dispose (Instr. 3, 4) Amount	es Acq d of (E	uired (A)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	06/30/2017			А		562.988	A	\$ 75.49	503,236.843 (1)	D			
Common Stock									26,600	Ι	By spouse (2)		
Common Stock									11,200	I	See footnote (3)		
Common Stock									118,400	I	See footnote (4)		

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)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships						
Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
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d by		07/	/05/2017			
son			Date			
	2	Director 10% Owner X	Director 10% Owner Officer X d by 07/			

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) Ownership includes 3,000 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting requirements.
- Shares owned by spouse who shares Mr. Ditmore's household. Mr. Ditmore disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by his(2) spouse, and the inclusion of these shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of all of the reported shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (3) Owned by the Ditmore 2002 Charitable Remainder Trust, of which Mr. Ditmore is a co-trustee.

Owned by the Ditmore Family Management Company LLC, of which Mr. Ditmore is a chief manager. Mr. Ditmore disclaims beneficial
 (4) ownership except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of all of the reported shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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