

ST. LOUIS, Mar 21, 2003 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Centene Corporation (Nasdaq: CNTE) announced today that it will present at the Banc of America Securities Healthcare Conference. The conference will be held at the Four Seasons Hotel in Las Vegas.

Michael F. Neidorff, Centene's President and Chief Executive Officer, will present on Thursday, March 27, 2003 at 10:55 a.m. Mountain Standard Time. The presentation will be available as a live audio webcast at <http://www.veracast.com/webcasts/bas/healthcare-2003/id21306342.cfm>, and will be available until April 11, 2003 at the aforementioned URL.

Centene Corporation provides managed care programs and related services to individuals receiving benefits under Medicaid, including Supplemental Security Income (SSI), and the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP). Centene operates health plans in Wisconsin, Indiana, Texas and New Jersey. Information regarding Centene is available via the Internet at www.centene.com.

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