

ST. LOUIS, Feb 28, 2006 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Centene Corporation (NYSE: CNC) today announced that it will present at the Cowen & Co. 26th Annual Health Care Conference, which will be held March 6-9, 2006, at The Boston Marriott Copley Place Hotel in Boston, Massachusetts.

Centene Corporation's Karey L. Witty, Senior VP and Chief Financial Officer, and Lisa M. Wilson, Senior VP of Investor Relations, will present on Wednesday, March 8, at 2:30 p.m. Eastern Time. The presentation will also be available as a live audio webcast at http://www.corporate-ir.net/ireye/confLobby.zhtml?ticker=CNC&item_id=1216179 (Due to its length, this URL may need to be copied/pasted into your Internet browser's address field. Remove the extra space if one exists.); it then will be archived for 15 days.

About Centene Corporation

Centene Corporation provides multi-line 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). The Company operates health plans in Indiana, Kansas, Missouri, New Jersey, Ohio, Texas and Wisconsin. In addition, the Company contracts with other healthcare organizations to provide specialty services including behavioral health, disease management, nurse triage, pharmacy benefit management and treatment compliance. Information regarding Centene is available via the Internet at www.centene.com.

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