

ST. LOUIS--(BUSINESS WIRE)--July 31, 2008--Centene Corporation (NYSE: CNC) today announced that it will present at the forthcoming BMO Capital Markets Focus on Healthcare 2008 Investor Conference, to be held August 5-6, 2008, at the Millennium Broadway Hotel in New York City.

Edmund E. Kroll, Jr., Centene's Senior Vice President, Finance and Investor Relations, will present Tuesday, August 5th at 3:00 p.m. ET. Investors may access the live, audio webcast of Centene's presentation at the following link: <http://www.bmocm.com/conferences/2008healthcare/webcast/default.aspx>. The webcast replay of the presentation can be accessed via the company's website at www.centene.com under the Investors section.

About Centene Corporation

Centene Corporation is a leading multi-line healthcare enterprise that provides programs and related services to individuals receiving benefits under Medicaid, including the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), Foster Care, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Medicare (Special Needs Plans). The Company operates health plans in Arizona, Georgia, Indiana, New Jersey, Ohio, South Carolina, Texas and Wisconsin. In addition, the Company contracts with other healthcare and commercial organizations to provide specialty services including behavioral health, life and health management, long-term care, managed vision, nurse triage, pharmacy benefits management and treatment compliance. Information regarding Centene is available via the Internet at www.centene.com.

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