

Centene's Texas Subsidiary Announces Successful Reprourement of Foster Care Contract - Feb 24, 2015

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 24, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Centene Corporation (NYSE: CNC) today announced that its wholly-owned Texas subsidiary, Superior HealthPlan, has been tentatively recommended for a contract award by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to service STAR Health (Foster Care) Medicaid recipients. The new STAR Health contract will begin on September 1, 2015. Superior HealthPlan will be responsible for providing services to meet the physical and mental healthcare needs for children in Texas Foster Care.

"Superior's work with STAR Health for the past six years has become the standard in providing 360-degree healthcare to children in Foster Care," said Holly Munin, Chief Executive Officer of Foster Care at Superior HealthPlan. "We are proud to continue our collaboration with HHSC and the Department of Family and Protective Services. Our goal is to further improve the programs and services available not only to children in Foster Care, but also their caregivers."

"In partnership with Cenpatico – Centene's behavioral health services provider – Superior has built an incredible program tailored to the specific needs of this vulnerable population," said K. Rone Baldwin, Executive Vice President, Insurance Group Business Unit at Centene. "We are pleased to include this very important line of business in the Centene product portfolio."

Superior HealthPlan was first awarded the exclusive contract for STAR Health in 2008. Since that time, Superior has managed the healthcare needs of more than 100,000 children in Foster Care across all 254 Texas counties.

About Centene Corporation

Centene Corporation, a Fortune 500 company, is a diversified, multi-national healthcare enterprise that provides a portfolio of services to government-sponsored healthcare programs, focusing on under-insured and uninsured individuals. Many receive benefits provided under Medicaid, including the State Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), as well as Aged, Blind or Disabled (ABD), Foster Care and Long Term Care (LTC), in addition to other state-sponsored/hybrid programs and Medicare (Special Needs Plans). The Company operates local health plans and offers a range of health insurance solutions. It also contracts with other healthcare and commercial organizations to provide specialty services including behavioral health management, care management software, correctional healthcare services, dental benefits management, in-home health services, life and health management, managed vision, pharmacy benefits management, specialty pharmacy and telehealth services.

About Superior HealthPlan

Austin-based Superior HealthPlan (Superior) is a managed care company that employs more than 1,600 people across nine Texas offices. Superior is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Centene Corporation, a leading multi-line healthcare enterprise offering both core Medicaid and specialty services. Superior is licensed by the Texas Department of Insurance and is a Qualified Health Plan issuer in the Texas Health Insurance Marketplace. More information on Superior can be found at www.SuperiorHealthPlan.com.

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