

Centene Corporation Announces Three Executive Appointments - Dec 17, 2015

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 17, 2015 [/PRNewswire/](#) -- Centene Corporation (NYSE: CNC) today announced the appointments of Brandy Burkhalter, Cary Hobbs and Holly Benson to the position of Executive Vice President, effective immediately.

Ms. Burkhalter joined Centene in 2006 and oversees the audit and risk management functions for Centene, including enterprise risk management, internal audit, claims audit, compliance and implementation monitoring. Previously, Ms. Burkhalter served as Senior Vice President of Finance for our Specialty Services segment.

Centene also announced the appointment of Cary Hobbs to Executive Vice President. Ms. Hobbs has been with Centene for over 18 years. She currently serves as Senior Vice President, Chief of Staff, whose responsibilities include Office of the Chief of Staff Initiatives, Corporate Social Responsibility, P&L management, and national and international Business Development and Integration projects for the company.

Centene further announced the appointment of Holly Benson to Executive Vice President. Ms. Benson joined Centene in March 2011 as Senior Vice President of Health Policy and was named President and CEO of Health Care Enterprises in December 2013. She is responsible for the development of policy positions for the company and also oversees Centene's subsidiaries AcaciaHealth, Casenet, LifeShare and USMM.

"We are pleased to announce the promotion of these three seasoned executives," said Michael F. Neidorff, Chairman, President and CEO of Centene. "Brandy, Cary and Holly have made significant contributions to the growth and success of Centene, each bringing a unique skill set and leadership style that enhances our dynamic executive management team."

#### **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.

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