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Centene Corporation Schedules First Quarter 2010 Financial Results Conference Call

ST. LOUIS, March 17 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Centene Corporation (NYSE: CNC) today announced that it will release its first quarter 2010 financial results at approximately 6:00 AM (Eastern Time) on Tuesday, April 27, 2010, and host a conference call afterwards at approximately 8:30 AM (Eastern Time) to review the results. Michael F. Neidorff, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, and William N. Scheffel, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, of Centene Corporation will host the call.

Investors and other interested parties are invited to listen to the conference call by dialing 800-273-1254 in the U.S. and Canada; 973-638-3440 from abroad; or via a live, audio webcast on the Company's website at www.centene.com, under the Investors section.

A replay will be available for on-demand listening shortly after the completion of the call for the next twelve months or until 11:59 PM (Eastern Time) on Tuesday, April 26, 2011, at the aforementioned URL, or by dialing 800-642-1687 in the U.S. and Canada, or

706-645-9291 from abroad and entering access code 63527302.

About Centene Corporation

Centene Corporation is a leading *multi-line* healthcare enterprise that provides programs and related services to the rising number of 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, in addition to other state-sponsored programs, and Medicare (Special Needs Plans). Centene's CultiCare subsidiary offers states unique, "exchange-based" and other cost-effective coverage solutions for low-income populations. 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, life and health management, managed vision, telehealth services, and pharmacy benefits management. More information regarding Centene is available at www.centene.com.

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