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Centene Corporation to Present at the Lehman Brothers Global Healthcare Conference

ST. LOUIS, Feb 24, 2003 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Centene Corporation (Nasdaq:CNTN) announced today that it will present at the Lehman Brothers Global Healthcare Conference. The conference will be held at the Loews Miami Beach Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida.

Michael F. Neidorff, Centene's President and Chief Executive Officer, will present on Tuesday, March 4, 2003 at 2:30 pm Eastern Time. The presentation will be available as a live audio webcast at www.lehman.com/conferences/healthcare2003invitation, and will be available until March 11, 2003 at the aforementioned URL.

Centene Corporation provides 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). Centene operates health plans in Wisconsin, Indiana, Texas and New Jersey. Information regarding Centene is available via the Internet at www.centene.com.

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