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# Centene Corporation to Present at Thomas Weisel Partners Healthcare Conference 2006

ST. LOUIS--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Aug. 24, 2006--Centene Corporation (NYSE: CNC) announced today that it will present at the Thomas Weisel Partners Healthcare Conference 2006, which will be held September 6-8, 2006 at The Four Seasons Hotel, Boston, MA.

Michael F. Neidorff, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Centene, will present on Wednesday, September 6 at 1:30 p.m. Eastern Time. The presentation will be available as a live, audio webcast at: <http://www.veracast.com/webcasts/twp/healthcare06/74110109.cfm>; then it will be archived for replay for 15 days.

## About Centene Corporation

Centene Corporation provides multi-line 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). The Company operates health plans in Georgia, Indiana, Kansas, Missouri, New Jersey, Ohio, Texas and Wisconsin. In addition, the Company contracts with other healthcare organizations to provide specialty services, including behavioral health, disease management, managed vision, nurse triage, pharmacy benefit management and treatment compliance. Information regarding Centene is available via the Internet at [www.centene.com](http://www.centene.com).

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