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Centene Launches Innovative Leadership Program

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 4, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Centene Corporation (NYSE: CNC) announced today the unveiling of its pioneering leadership program, REACH (Readying Executives to Answer the Challenges of Healthcare). The first of its kind in the country, REACH is a partnership between Centene, Trinity University of San Antonio, Texas, and Washington University in St. Louis.

"Hand-picked executives with diverse healthcare roles will meet to discuss the future of the industry during four intense, week-long sessions," explained Carol Goldman, Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer for Centene. "The sessions will be held on a rotating basis amongst the three institutions."

As part of this week's kick-off, Centene and Trinity University co-hosted a daylong symposium in San Antonio, "The Future of Health Care 2014 and Beyond." Panelists included lawmakers and industry leaders from around the country.

"By establishing this elite program, in which leading executives work alongside university experts, we aim to develop innovative ways in which the healthcare industry at large can position itself for a more successful future," said Michael Neidorff, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer for Centene Corporation.

About Centene Corporation

Centene Corporation, a Fortune 500 company, 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 (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, care management software, correctional systems healthcare, life and health management, managed vision, pharmacy benefits management, specialty pharmacy and telehealth services.

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