FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GEPHARDT Richard A | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTENE CORP [CNC] | | | | | 5 | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | | | | | |
|--|---------------|--|--|--|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|--|---|-------------------|---------------|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/26/2022 | | | | | - | | | | | | |
| (Street) ST. LOUIS, MO 63105 | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) |) | (State) | (Zip) | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefici | | | | | Beneficially (| cially Owned | | | | |
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| Common | Stock | | 04/26/2022 | | A | 2, | 323 | A S | 50 | 40,560.4 | 13 (1) | | D | |
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| | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|--------------|---------|-------|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| GEPHARDT Richard A 7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD ST. LOUIS, MO 63105 | X | | | | | |

Signatures

| /s/ Christopher A. Koster (executed by attorney-in-fact) | 04/28/2022 |
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| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date |

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Ownership includes 2,323 shares of restricted stock which will vest in full on the earlier of April 26, 2023 and the date of the Registrant's next annual meeting of stockholders.

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Exhibit 24.1

LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR SECTION 16 REPORTING OBLIGATIONS
Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby makes, constitutes and appoints each of Christopher A. Koster, Michael Haber, Katie Casso and Joey Parsons signing singly and each acting i
(1) prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and
(2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Centene Corporation (the "Gompany"). Forms 3, 4 and 5 (including any amendments th
(3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned's behalf, information regarding transactions in the Company"s securities from any third party, including brokers, em
(5) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing that, in the opinion of such attorney in fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required
The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney in fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exe
This Power of Attorney also serves to revoke and replace as of the date hereof, any prior Power of Attorney executed by the undersigned with respect to the filling with the SEC of reports with res
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of April 25, 2022.

/s/ Richard A. Gephardt Richard A. Gephardt Director