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## FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DITMORE ROBERT K			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTENE CORP [CNC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
7700 FORSY	TH BOULE	EVARD	(Month/Day/Year) 03/07/2017	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
	(Street)		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			
ST. LOUIS, M	4O 63105			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Nor	n-I	Derivative S	ecurit	ies Acqui	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities on Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	d of (E and 5) (A) or	))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/07/2017			V	150	(D)	\$ 0	30,500	I	By spouse (1)
Common Stock	03/31/2017		A		634.964	A	\$ 66.93	503,840.855 (2)	D	
Common Stock								11,200	I	See footnote (3)
Common Stock								118,400	I	See footnote (4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4.	5. onNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Titl		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/e		Under Securi	rlying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DITMORE ROBERT K 7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD X ST. LOUIS, MO 63105

## **Signatures**

/s/ Jeffrey A. Schwaneke (executed by attorney-in-fact)

04/04/2017

\*\*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).
- Shares owned by spouse who shares Mr. Ditmore's household. Mr. Ditmore disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by his (1) spouse, and the inclusion of these shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of all of the reported shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (2) Ownership includes 3,350 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting requirements.
- (3) Owned by the Ditmore 2002 Charitable Remainder Trust, of which Mr. Ditmore is a co-trustee.
- Owned by the Ditmore Family Management Company LLC, of which Mr. Ditmore is a chief manager. Mr. Ditmore disclaims beneficial (4) ownership except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of all of the reported shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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