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1(b). Filed pursuant to Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the	Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchan Public Utility Holding Company Act of) of the Investment Company Act of 19	of 1935 or Section	1	
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Schwaneke Jeffrey A.	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTENE CORP [CNC]	5. Relationship of Issuer		
(Last) (First) (Middle)	 Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2017 	(Check Director X Officer (give		Owner er (specify
7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD		below) E	below) EVP, CFO	
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Jo	int/Group Repo	orting
ST. LOUIS, MO 63105		(check _X_ Form Filed by O Form Filed by M Person		erson

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-Deri	vative See	curitie	s Acqui	ired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Secur Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, Amount	d (A) of d of (D , 4 and (A) or)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/20/2017	Â	G	400	D	\$0	132,232 <u>(1)</u>	D	Â

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 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Tit Amou Unde Secur (Instr	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. of D Se B O E I S Fi (I
				(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Schwaneke Jeffrey A. 7700 FORSYTH BOULEVARD ST. LOUIS, MO 63105	Â	Â	EVP, CFO	Â	
Signatures					
/s/ Jeffrey A. 02/12	/2018				

Schwaneke	02/12/2018			
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Person	Date			

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- * 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).

(1) Ownership includes 91,334 shares of restricted stock units subject to vesting requirements.

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