

CENTENE CORP  
Form 8-K  
March 08, 2007

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

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**Current Report**  
**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of**  
**the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**  
**Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): March 6, 2007**

**CENTENE CORPORATION**  
**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or other**  
**jurisdiction of**  
**incorporation)**

**000-33395**  
**(Commission file**  
**number)**

**42-1406317**  
**(IRS Employer**  
**Identification No.)**

**7711 Carondelet Avenue, Suite 800, St. Louis, Missouri 63105**  
**(Address of principal executive office and zip code)**  
**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (314) 725-4477**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS;  
APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF  
CERTAIN OFFICERS**

(b) Christopher D. Bowers, President and CEO of Superior HealthPlan, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary, has been appointed as acting head of our health plan business unit. Karey L. Witty, our Senior Vice President, Health Plans, resigned, effective March 7, 2007, to pursue another professional opportunity.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 8, 2006

CENTENE CORPORATION

By: /s/ J. PER BRODIN  
J. Per Brodin  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial  
Officer