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**To:** KEELING Ryan W \* DCBS

**Subject:** Agate Resources purchase by Centene

## Mr. Keeling,

There seem to be two main fears regarding the potential purchase of Agate by Centene; namely, that we as a community will lose our local control of health care coordination and that we will be handing over significant profits to a national organization. While these scenarios are certainly worthy of consideration, in the case of Centene I do not believe we have cause for concern. Quite the opposite: Centene has a record of maintaining both local control and impressively low profit margins. With the increasing complexity of health care, local plans struggle to keep up, and partnering with another organization brings in valuable expertise and tools. Agate needs a partner. Centene looks like a good one.

Sincerely,

Kelly Terwilliger