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Request for Waiver

Plan Year: 2019

Please ensure that information contained on this waiver request coincides with information provided on the geographical access maps and provider list submitted with this application.

1. Name and Title of Person Submitting this Document:

Carrier	Name Network	Network ID
HEALTHPARTNERS INSURANCE CORPORATION (HPIC)	OPEN ACCESS PERFORM	MNN002
Name	Title	Date
CHARLES ABRAHAMSON	VICE PRESIDENT, NETWORK MANAGEMENT AND PROVIDER RELATIONS	8/9/2018

2. By submitting this form, the above-referenced confirms:

- A. That person submitting this request has personal knowledge of the network contracting process involved in this submission, and
- B. That access cannot be met for the following provider type(s). Include the county and reason(s) for not meeting the requirements.

Provider Type	County	Reason Code	Notes
<i>Allergy, Immunology and Rheumatology</i>	<i>Beltrami, Cook, Kittson, Lake, Lake Of The Woods, Marshall, Pennington, Roseau</i>	1	There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/ . If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Allergy, Immunology and Rheumatology services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.
<i>Anesthesiology Physicians and Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists</i>	<i>Beltrami, Cook, Koochiching, Kittson, Lake, Lake Of The Woods, Roseau, St. Louis</i>	1	There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/ . If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Anesthesiology services are provided at local contracted facilities. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.

<p>Cardiac Surgery</p>	<p><i>Aitkin,Becker,Beltrami,Big Stone,Brown,Cass,Chippewa,Clearwater,Cook,Cottonwood,Grant,Hubbard,Itasca,Jackson,Kittson,Koochiching,Lac Qui Parle,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Mahnomen,Marshall,Otter Tail,Pennington,Polk,Pope,Red Lake,Redwood,Renville,Roseau,St. Louis,Stevens,Swift,Traverse,Wilkin,Yellow Medicine</i></p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Cardiac Surgery is provided in larger metropolitan area facilities such as those located in St. Paul/Minneapolis, St. Cloud, Duluth, Moorhead/Fargo/Grand Forks or Sioux Falls, SD. Cardiac Surgery consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<p>Cardiovascular Disease</p>	<p><i>Cook</i></p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Cardiovascular Disease consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<p>Chemical Dependency Inpatient</p>	<p><i>Beltrami,Big Stone,Chippewa,Clearwater,Cook,Hubbard,Jackson,Kittson,Koochiching,Lac Qui Parle,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Lincoln,Lyon,Marshall,Murray,Nobles,Pipestone,Rock, Roseau,St. Louis,Traverse, Yellow Medicine</i></p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Chemical Dependency Inpatient services are provided at contracted facilities in each region. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<p>Chemical Dependency Outpatient</p>	<p><i>Beltrami,Cook,Koochiching,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,St. Louis</i></p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Chemical Dependency Outpatient services are provided at contracted facilities in each region. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>

<p>Colon and Rectal Surgery</p>	<p><i>Aitkin,Becker,Beltrami,Big Stone,Brown,Cass,Chippewa,Clearwater,Cook,Cottonwood,Crow Wing,Grant,Hubbard,Itasca,Jackson,Kittson,Koochiching,Lac Qui Parle,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Lincoln,Lyon,Mahnomen,Marshall,Murray,Nicollet,Nobles,Otter Tail,Pennington,Pipestone,Polk,Pope,Red Lake,Redwood,Renville,Rock,Roseau,St. Louis,Sibley,Stevens,Swift,Traverse,Wilkin, Yellow Medicine</i></p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no providers available that are closer than those already part of the network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Colon & Rectal Surgery services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<p>Dermatology</p>	<p><i>Beltrami,Cook,Koochiching,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Roseau,St. Louis</i></p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no providers available that are closer than those already part of the network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Dermatology services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<p>Endocrinology</p>	<p><i>Beltrami,Big Stone,Cook,Jackson,Kittson,Koochiching,Lac Qui Parle,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Marshall,Pennington,Roseau,St. Louis</i></p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no providers available that are closer than those already part of the network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Endocrinology services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<p>Gastroenterology</p>	<p><i>Cook</i></p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Gastroenterology services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>

<p>General Hospital facilities</p>	<p><i>Aitkin,Beltrami,Cass,Clearwater,Cook,Itasca,Koochiching,Lake Of The Woods,Marshall,Roseau,St. Louis</i></p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Inpatient hospital services are provided at nearby facilities whenever possible or at larger metropolitan area facilities such as those located in St. Paul/Minneapolis, St. Cloud, Duluth, Moorhead/Fargo/Grand Forks or Sioux Falls, SD. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<p>General Surgery</p>	<p><i>Cook</i></p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. General Surgery services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<p>Genetics</p>	<p><i>Aitkin,Becker,Beltrami,Big Stone,Brown,Cass,Clearwater,Cook,Crow Wing,Grant,Hubbard,Itasca,Kanabec,Kittson,Koochiching,Lac Qui Parle,Lake,Lake Of The Wood,Mahnomen,Marshall,Nicollet,Otter Tail,Pennington,Pine,Polk,Poppe,Red Lake,Renville,Roseau,St. Louis,Sibley,Stevens,Swift,Traverse,Wilkin</i></p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. There is a limited number of Genetics providers in the state; St. Paul/Minneapolis, St. Cloud, Duluth, Moorhead/Fargo/Grand Forks or Sioux Falls, SD metropolitan areas have services available through large care systems and consultations are also available through telemedicine HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<p>Mental health providers</p>	<p><i>Beltrami,Cook,Itasca,Koochiching,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,St. Louis,Traverse</i></p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Mental health provider consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>

<p>Nephrology</p>	<p>Cook,Lake</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Nephrology services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<p>Neurology and Neurological Surgery</p>	<p>Big Stone,Cook,Lake,Traverse</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Neurology and Neurological Surgery services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<p>Obstetrics and Gynecology</p>	<p>Cook</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Obstetrics & Gynecology services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<p>Oncology</p>	<p>Cook,Lake</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Oncology services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">Ophthalmology</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Cook, Kittson</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Ophthalmology services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Orthopedic Surgery</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Cook</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Orthopedic Surgery services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Otolaryngology</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Cook</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Otolaryngology services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Pediatric Services Providers</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Aitkin, Beltrami, Big Stone, Clearwater, Cook, Grant, Itasca, Kittson, Koochiching, Lake, Lake Of The Woods, Marshall, Pipestone, Rock, St. Louis, Stevens, Traverse</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcpproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Pediatric members can be seen by Family Practice and Internal Medicine providers for routine services. Pediatric consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>

Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and Occupational Medicine	Cook	1	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/. If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Physical Medicine & Rehab Services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
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As part of this waiver request for all reason codes, a carrier must demonstrate with specific data that the geographic access standards cannot be met in a particular service area or part of a service area and also state what steps were and will be taken to address the network inadequacy (MN Statutes § 62K.10, subdivision 5).

Reason Codes:

- Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and determined that there are no providers physically present in the service area of the type requested in the waiver. MDH will not grant a waiver for this reason code unless the carrier demonstrates, with specific information, that there are no providers physically present in the part(s) of the service area for which the waiver is sought. Specific information may include provider directories and sources consulted, physical geography that affects the location of providers, or other information that affects the availability and location of providers. Telemedicine may be used as a means to provide access when there are no providers physically present to meet the standard. The carrier should describe how it will assess the availability of providers who begin practice in the service area where the standard cannot currently be met.
- Provider does not meet carrier's credentialing requirements. Carrier must cite the reason(s) provider does not meet carrier's credentialing requirements.
- Carrier has made a good faith effort to contract with provider and offered a contract at the same/similar rate as other providers of the same provider type in the network, and provider has refused to accept a contract. A carrier representative must attest, below, that a contract was offered at same/similar rates and provider refused to contract.
- Other: Please describe why geographic access standards cannot be met. Please also describe how access will be provided for this provider type for the residents of the affected county or counties.

Attestation for the Request for Waiver

The undersigned attests that he/she is a representative of the carrier with personal knowledge of the network and reasons for the above waiver requests, and that the waiver requests meet the requirements for the waiver, as outlined above. The undersigned also attests that good faith efforts have been made to locate and contract with providers, as outlined above, and that if providers become available in the service area, carrier will make a good faith effort to contract with said providers at same or similar rates as other providers of the same type in carrier's network.



Charles Abrahamson, HealthPartners, Vice President Network Management & Provider Relations
08/06/18

Provider Type	County	Reason Code	Notes
<i>Pediatric Specialty Providers</i>	<i>Cook, Kittson, Koochiching, Lake, St. Louis, Traverse</i>	<i>1</i>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/.</p> <p>If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract.</p> <p>There is a limited number of Pediatric Specialty providers in the state; St. Paul/Minneapolis, St. Cloud, Duluth, Moorhead/Fargo/Grand Forks or Sioux Falls, SD metropolitan areas have services available through large care systems and consultations are also available through telemedicine.</p> <p>Pediatric Specialty services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area.</p> <p>HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<i>Primary Care providers</i>	<i>Beltrami, Cook, Lake, Lake Of The Woods, Marshall, St. Louis</i>	<i>1</i>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/.</p> <p>If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract.</p> <p>HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<i>Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Speech Therapy</i>	<i>Koochiching</i>	<i>1</i>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/.</p> <p>If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract.</p> <p>Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Speech Therapy services are often provided in a hospital outpatient setting.</p> <p>HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<i>Pulmonary Disease</i>	<i>Cook, Koochiching, St. Louis</i>	<i>1</i>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/.</p> <p>If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract.</p> <p>Pulmonary Disease services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area.</p> <p>HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>
<i>Radiology and Nuclear Medicine</i>	<i>Cook, Koochiching, Lake, Roseau, St. Louis</i>	<i>1</i>	<p>There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/.</p> <p>If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract.</p> <p>Radiology & Nuclear Medicine services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area. If needed, services are provided at local facilities.</p> <p>HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.</p>

Reconstructive Surgery	Aitkin,Becker,Beltrami,Big Stone,Brown,Cass,Chippewa,Clearwater,Cook,Cottonwood,Grant,Hubbard,Itasca,Jackson,Kitson,Koochiching,Lac Qui Parle,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Lincoln,Lyon,Mahnomen,Marshall,Murray,Nobles,Otter Tail,Pennington,Polk,Pope,Red Lake,Redwood,Renville,Roseau,St. Louis,Stevens,Swift,Traverse,Yellow Medicine	1	There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/ . If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. There is a limited number of Reconstructive Surgery providers in the state; St. Paul/Minneapolis, St. Cloud, Duluth, Moorhead/Fargo/Grand Forks or Sioux Falls, SD metropolitan areas have services available through large care systems and consultations are also available through telemedicine. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.
Thoracic Surgery	Aitkin,Becker,Beltrami,Big Stone,Brown,Cass,Chippewa,Clearwater,Cook,Cottonwood,Grant,Hubbard,Itasca,Jackson,Kitson,Koochiching,Lac Qui Parle,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Lincoln,Lyon,Mahnomen,Marshall,Murray,Nobles,Otter Tail,Pennington,Pine,Polk,Pope,Red Lake,Redwood,Renville,Roseau,St. Louis,Stevens,Swift,Traverse,Wilkkin, Yellow Medicine	1	There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/ . If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. There is a limited number of Thoracic Surgery providers in the state; St. Paul/Minneapolis, St. Cloud, Duluth, Moorhead/Fargo/Grand Forks or Sioux Falls, SD metropolitan areas have services available through large care systems. Thoracic Surgery services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.
Urology	Cook	1	There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/ . If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. There is a limited number of Urology providers in the state; St. Paul/Minneapolis, St. Cloud, Duluth, Moorhead/Fargo/Grand Forks or Sioux Falls, SD metropolitan areas have services available through large care systems. Surgery services consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems in the area. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.
Vascular Surgery	Beltrami,Cook,Kitson,Koochiching,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Roseau,St. Louis,Traverse	1	There are no additional providers available that are closer than those already part of our network. The following additional websites were searched and will be searched on a quarterly basis for new providers: http://mhcproviderdirectory.dhs.state.mn.us/ and https://www.medicare.gov/physiciancompare/ . If new providers are identified, the information will be forwarded to the contracting dept to pursue a contract. Vascular Surgery services are provided in larger metropolitan area facilities such as those located in St. Paul/Minneapolis, St. Cloud, Duluth, Moorhead/Fargo/Grand Forks or Sioux Falls, SD. Vascular Surgery consultations are provided at outreach locations or through telemedicine services offered by larger care systems. HealthPartners communicates with providers through our newsletter every other month with reminders to keep information regarding locations and providers up to date. Member complaints are monitored on a monthly basis. If trends in complaints regarding access to a particular type of provider are identified, the contracting department is notified and when new providers are identified, a contract is pursued.
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