

Request for Waiver

Plan Year: 2018

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
Sanford Health Plan	Sanford health Plan of Minnesota	MNN001
Name	Title	Date
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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, Kittson, Lake Of The Woods, Roseau</i>	1	
<i>Anesthesiology Physicians and Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists</i>	<i>Beltrami, Lake Of The Woods, Roseau</i>	1	
<i>Cardiac Surgery</i>	<i>Beltrami, Becker, Big Stone, Brown, Blue Earth, Clearwater, Cottonwood, Douglas, Grant, Hubbard, Jackson, Kittson, Lac Qui Parle, Lake Of The Woods, Lincoln, Lyon, Mahnomon, Marshall, Martin, Murray, Nicollet, Nobles, Otter Tail, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, Redwood, Roseau, Sibley, Stevens, Traverse, Watonwan, Wilkin, Yellow Medicine</i>	1	We have found no Cardiac Surgeons to cover any of these areas. Sanford Health Plan however does cover many of these areas with Interventional Cardiologists who can perform minor procedures like putting in stints and angioplasty.
<i>Chemical Dependency Inpatient</i>	<i>Beltrami, Kittson, Lake Of The Woods</i>	1	

<i>Chemical Dependency Outpatient</i>	<i>Beltrami, Kittson, Lake Of The Woods</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Colon and Rectal Surgery</i>	<i>Beltrami, Big Stone, Grant, Kittson, Lac Qui Parle, Lake Of The Woods, Lincoln, Lyon, Roseau, Stevens, Traverse, Yellow Medicine</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Dermatology</i>	<i>Beltrami, Lake Of The Woods, Roseau</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Endocrinology</i>	<i>Beltrami, Kittson, Lake Of The Woods, Marshall, Pennington, Roseau, Traverse</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Gastroenterology</i>	<i>Beltrami</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>General Hospital facilities</i>	<i>Beltrami, Lake Of The Woods, Marshall, Roseau</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Genetics</i>	<i>Becker, Beltrami, Big Stone, Blue Earth, Brown, Chippewa, Clearwater, Cottonwood, Douglas, Grant, Hubbard, Jackson, Kandiyohi, Kittson, Lac Qui Parle, Lake Of The Woods, Lincoln, Lyon, Mahnomon, Marshall, Martin, McLeod, Meeker, Murray, Nicollet, Nobles, Otter Tail, Pennington, Polk, Pope, Red Lake, Redwood, Renville, Roseau, Sibley, Stevens, Swift, Traverse, Watonwan, Wilken, Yellow Medicine</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Genetics</i>	<i>Stearns</i>	<i>1</i>	Centracare Clinic in St Cloud terminated participation in February 2017. Declined efforts to recontract in March 2017
<i>Home Health Care Agency</i>	<i>Lake Of The Woods, Roseau</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Mental health providers</i>	<i>Beltrami, Clearwater, Lake Of The Woods, Marshall, Roseau</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Nephrology</i>	<i>Douglas</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Neurology and Neurological Surgery</i>	<i>Traverse</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Orthopedic Surgery</i>	<i>Beltrami, Lake Of The Woods</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Pediatric Services Providers</i>	<i>Beltrami, Lake Of The Woods, Marshall</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Pediatric Specialty Providers</i>	<i>Beltrami, Kittson, Lake Of The Woods, Roseau, Traverse</i>	<i>1</i>	

<i>Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and Occupational Medicine</i>	<i>Lake Of The Woods,Roseau</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Speech Therapy</i>	<i>Roseau</i>	<i>4</i>	Have contract with Life Care Medical Center for reimbursement only. Sanford will pay those claims as in-network, but Life Care has chosen not to go through Sanford's own credentialing process.
<i>Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Speech Therapy</i>	<i>Lake Of The Woods</i>	<i>4</i>	Life Care Medical Center will cover much of this county, but no providers found for remaining portion. Have contract with CHI Lakewood in Lake Of The Woods, but don't currently have their Physical Therapists credentialed. Will work on getting those providers credentialed per our policies.
<i>Primary Care providers</i>	<i>Beltrami,Lake Of The Woods, Marshall</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Pulmonary Disease</i>	<i>Beltrami,Lake Of The Woods,Marshall,Roseau</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Radiology and Nuclear Medicine</i>	<i>Beltrami,Kandiyohi,Lake Of The Woods,Meeker</i>	<i>1</i>	

Please use additional sheet if needed

Reason Codes:

1. Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no providers physically present in the service area.*
Also use this code if an area of the state is not covered due to the topographic nature of the area such as lakes or forest.
 2. Provider(s) do not meet carrier's credentialing requirements. Please explain what credentials are not met.
 3. Carrier has made a good faith effort to contract with provider(s) and provider(s) have refused. Please provide information indicating the date in which a contract was offered and the process used in an effort to secure a contract.
 4. 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.
- C. That if new providers listed in (B) becomes available in the service area, carrier will make a good faith effort to contract with said providers.

*In some situations when the geographic access standards for a given provider type cannot be met, access to the specified provider type may be provided via the use of Telehealth, or Telemedicine technologies. When this is applicable for a provider type with regard to limited or no access in a particular county, the carrier should describe how access is being offered via the use of Telehealth technologies.

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Reconstructive Surgery	Becker, Beltrami, Big Stone, Chippewa, Clearwater, Cottonwood, Douglas, Grant, Hubbard, Jackson, Kandiyohi, Kittson, Lac Qui Parle, Lake Of The Woods, Lincoln, Lyon, Mahnom en, Marshall, Meeker, Murray, Nobles, Otter Tail, Pope, Redwood, Renville, Roseau, Stevens, Swift, Traverse, Yellow Medicine	1	
Reconstructive Surgery	Stearns	3	Centracare Clinic in St Cloud terminated participation in February 2017. Declined efforts to recontract in March 2017
Thoracic Surgery	Becker, Beltrami, Big Stone, Blue Earth, Brown, Clearwater, Cottonwood, Douglas, Grant, Hubbard, Jackson, Kittson, Lac Qui Parle, Lake Of The Woods, Lincoln, Lyon, Mahnom en, Marshall, Martin, Murray, Nicollet, Nobles, Otter Tail, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, Redwood, Roseau, Sibley, Stevens, Traverse, Watonwan, Wilkin, Yellow Medicine	1	
Urology	Kittson, Lake Of The Woods, Roseau	1	
Vascular Surgery	Becker, Beltrami, Blue Earth, Kittson, Lake Of The Woods, Nicollet, Roseau, Sibley	1	
Pediatric Dental Care	Becker, Beltrami, Blue Earth, Douglas, Kandiyohi, Lake Of The Woods, Marshall, Martin, McLeod, Meeker, Otter Tail, Pennington, Pope, Roseau, Sibley, Stearns, Swift	4	Any out of network provider will be covered under an out of network co-insurance benefit.
<select one>	<select all that apply>	<select one>	