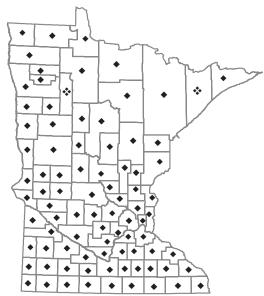
SERVICE AREAS

for Minnesota HMOs*

*The service area is the geographic area in which an HMO is permitted to market and sell its various health plans. The Minnesota Department of Health approves a service area if the HMO has sufficient providers in that area to provide services consistent with access laws. An HMO may, but is not required to, have contracts or other arrangements with providers outside its approved service area. This is most common along Minnesota borders with other states. An HMO may, but is not required to, enroll someone who lives and works outside its approved service area. Before so doing, the HMO must inform the individual that comprehensive health services may not be available and the individual may need to return to the service area to obtain all but emergency services. Please note that for certain Medicare plans provided under contract with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, an HMO may have a different service area than that listed below.

November 1, 2008



- ◆ = Entire County is in Service Area
- ❖ = Partial County is in Service Area

Blue Plus:

Entire County in Service Area:

Airkin, Anoka, Becker, Beltrami, Benton, Big Stone, Blue Earth, Brown, Carlton, Carver, Cass, Chippewa, Chisago, Clay, Cook, Cottonwood, Crow Wing, Dakota, Dodge, Douglas, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Grant, Hennepin, Houston, Hubbard, Isanti, Itasca, Jackson, Kanabec, Kandiyohi, Kittson, Koochiching, Lac Qui Parle, Lake of the Woods, LeSueur, Lincoln, Lyon, Mahnomen, Marshall, Martin, McLeod, Meeker, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Mower, Murray, Nicollet, Nobles, Norman, Olmsted, Ottertail, Pennington, Pine, Pipestone, Polk, Pope, Ramsey, Red Lake, Redwood, Renville, Rice, Rock, Roseau, Scott, Sherburne, Sibley, St. Louis, Stearns, Steele, Stevens, Swift, Todd, Traverse, Wabasha, Wadena, Waseca, Washington, Watonwan, Wilkin, Winona, Wright, Yellow Medicine.

Partial County in Service Area: Clearwater, Lake.

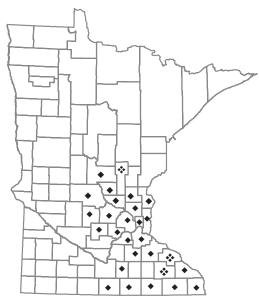


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First Plan of Minnesota

Entire County in Service Area: Carlton, Cook, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake, St. Louis.

Partial County in Service Area: Pine



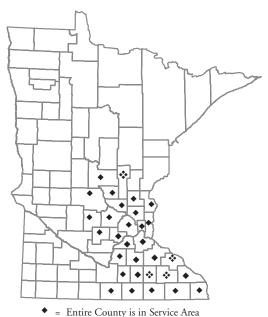
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Group Health Inc.

Entire County in Service Area:

Anoka, Benton, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Hennepin, Houston, Isanti, McLeod, Meeker, Morrison, Mower, Ramsey, Rice, Scott, Sherburne, Stearns, Waseca, Washington, Winona, Wright.

Partial County in Service Area: Mille Lacs, Olmsted, Wabasha.



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HealthPartners

Entire County in Service Area:

Anoka, Benton, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Hennepin, Houston, Isanti, Le Sueur, McLeod, Meeker, Morrison, Mower, Ramsey, Rice, Scott, Sherburne, Stearns, Steele, Waseca, Washington, Winona, Wright.

Partial County in Service Area: Dodge, Mille Lacs, Olmsted, Wabasha.

Medica Health Plan

Entire County in Service Area:

Aitkin, Anoka, Becker, Beltrami, Benton, Big Stone, Blue Earth, Brown, Carlton, Carver, Cass, Chippewa, Chisago, Clay, Clearwater, Cottonwood, Crow Wing, Dakota, Dodge, Douglas, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Grant, Hennepin, Houston, Hubbard, Isanti, Itasca, Jackson, Kanabec, Kandiyohi, Kittson, Koochiching, La Qui Parle, Le Sueur, Lincoln, Lyon, Mahnomen, Marshall, Martin, McLeod, Meeker, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Mower, Murray, Nicollet, Nobles, Norman, Olmsted, Ottertail, Pine, Pipestone, Polk, Pope, Ramsey, Red Lake, Redwood, Renville, Rice, Rock, Roseau, St. Louis, Scott, Sherburne, Sibley, Stearns, Steele, Stevens, Swift, Todd, Traverse, Wabasha, Wadena, Wantonwan, Waseca, Washington, Wilkin, Winona, Wright, Yellow Medicine.

Partial County in Service Area: Lake



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Metropolitan Health Plan

Note: Limited to state public programs.

Entire County in Service Area:

Anoka, Carver, Hennepin, Isanti, Mower, Polk, Scott.

PreferredOne Community Health Plan

Entire County in Service Area:

Aitkin, Anoka, Benton, Big Stone, Blue Earth, Brown, Carlton, Carver, Chippewa, Chisago, Cottonwood, Crow Wing, Dakota, Dodge, Douglas, Goodhue, Grant, Hennepin, Isanti, Itasca, Kanabec, Kandiyohi, Kittson, Lac Qui Parle, Le Sueur, Lincoln, Lyon, Martin, McLeod, Meeker, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Murray, Nicollet, Nobles, Olmsted, Pennington, Pine, Pipestone, Polk, Pope, Ramsey, Red Lake, Redwood, Renville, Rice, Rock, Roseau, Scott, Sherburne, Sibley, Stearns, Steele, Stevens, Swift, Todd, Traverse, Wabasha, Wadena, Waseca, Washington, Watonwan, Wilkin, Winona, Wright, Yellow Medicine.

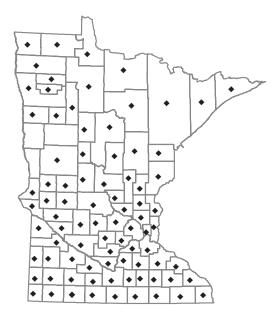
Partial County in Service Area:

Becker, Beltrami, Faribault, Hubbard, Lake, Norman, Ottertail, St. Louis.

Sanford Health Plan of Minnesota

Entire County in Service Area:

Cottonwood, Jackson, Lac Qui Parle, Lincoln, Lyon, Martin, Murray, Nobles, Pipestone, Redwood, Rock, Watonwan, Yellow Medicine.



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UCare Minnesota

Note: Limited to Medicare and state public programs.

Please note: UCare Minnesota has expanded service area coverage for Cass County. Service area changed from partial county coverage to entire county coverage.

Entire County in Service Area:

Aitkin, Anoka, Beltrami, Benton, Big Stone, Blue Earth, Brown, Carlton, Carver, Cass, Chippewa, Chisago, Clearwater, Cook, Cottonwood, Crow Wing, Dakota, Dodge, Douglas, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborne, Goodhue, Grant, Hennepin, Houston, Hubbard, Isanti, Itasca, Jackson, Kanabec, Kandiyohi, Kittson, Koochiching, Lac Qui Parle, Lake, Lake of the Woods, Le Sueur, Lincoln, Lyon, Mahnomen, Marshall, Martin, McLeod, Meeker, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Mower, Murray, Nicollet, Nobles, Norman, Olmsted, Ottertail, Pennington, Pine, Pipestone, Polk, Pope, Ramsey, Red Lake, Redwood, Renville, Rice, Rock, Roseau, St. Louis, Scott, Sherburne, Sibley, Stearns, Steele, Stevens, Swift, Todd, Traverse, Wabasha, Wadena, Waseca, Washington, Watonwan, Winona, Wright, Yellow Medicine.

For Your Information:

County-Based Purchasing Agreement

In this arrangement a county or group of counties operate a purchasing system to provide health care services to county residents who are enrolled in certain public programs. This information is current as of November 1, 2007. Please see the Minnesota Department of Human Services web site for maps with more detailed information on type of coverage in each specific county and for any later updates. The web site is www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET_DYNAMIC_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&dDocName=id_018058.



Itasca Medical Care

Note: Limited to state public programs.

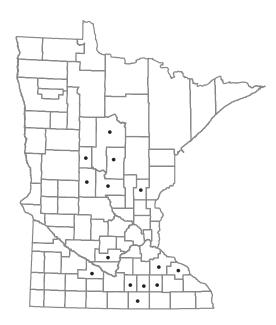
Counties in Service Area: Aitkin, Itasca, Koochiching



PrimeWest Health Systems

Note: Limited to state public programs.

Counties in Service Area: Beltrami, Big Stone, Clearwater, Douglas, Grant, Hubbard, McLeod, Meeker, Pipestone, Pope, Renville, Stevens, Traverse



South Country Health Alliance

Note: Limited to state public programs.

Counties in Service Area:

Brown, Cass, Crow Wing, Dodge, Freeborn, Goodhue, Kanabec, Morrison, Sibley, Steele, Todd, Wabasha, Wadena, and Waseca

Please Note: Service areas continually change.

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