

## 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
HEALTHPARTNERS INSURANCE CORPORATION (HPIC)	OPEN ACCESS	MNN001
Name	Title	Date
CHARLES ABRAHAMSON	VICE PRESIDENT, NETWORK MANAGEMENT AND PROVIDER RELATIONS	10/2/2017

**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 Of The Woods, Marshall, Pennington, Roseau</i>	1	<i>Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Allergy, Immunology and Rheumatology providers physically present in northern Beltrami, Cook, Kittson, Lake of the Woods, Marshall, Pennington and Roseau counties.</i>
<i>Anesthesiology Physicians and Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists</i>	<i>Beltrami, Cook, Kittson, Koochiching, Lake, Lake Of The Woods, Roseau</i>	1	<i>Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Anesthesiology physicians and Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists physically present in northern Beltrami, Cook, northern Kittson, northern Lake, Lake of the Woods, and Roseau counties. However, the hospitals in these counties either employ or contract with Anesthesiologists or Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists to provide anesthesia services at the hospitals.</i>
<i>Anesthesiology Physicians and Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists</i>	<i>St. Louis</i>	1	<i>Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Anesthesiology physicians and Certified Registered Anesthetists physically present in northern St. Louis county. However, the hospitals in St. Louis county either employ or contract with Anesthesiologists or Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists to provide anesthesia services at the hospitals.</i>

Cardiac Surgery	Aitkin,Becker,Beltrami,Big Stone,Blue Earth,Brown,Cass,Chippewa,Clearwater,Cook,Cottonwood,Crow Wing,Faribault,Freeborn,Grant,Hubbard,Itasca,Jackson,Kittson,Koochiching,Lac Qui Parle,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Lincoln,Lyon,Mahnomen,Marshall,Martin,Murray,Nobles,Otter Tail,Pennington,Polk,Pope,Red Lake,Redwood,Renville,Roseau,St. Louis,Stevens,Swift,Traverse,Wilkin, Yellow Medicine	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Cardiac Surgery providers physically present in these counties. Metropolitan areas that have these specialists include St. Paul/Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Cloud, Rochester, Fargo, ND/Moorhead, MN, and Sioux Falls, SD
Cardiac Surgery	Waseca	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Cardiac Surgery providers physically present in Waseca county. Metropolitan areas that have these specialists include St. Paul/Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Cloud, Rochester, Fargo, ND/Moorhead, MN, and Sioux Falls, SD
Cardiac Surgery	Watowan	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Cardiac Surgery providers physically present in Watowan county. Metropolitan areas that have these specialists include St. Paul/Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Cloud, Rochester, Fargo, ND/Moorhead, MN, and Sioux Falls, SD
Cardiovascular Disease	Cook	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Cardiovascular Disease providers physically present in Cook county.
Chemical Dependency Inpatient	Beltrami,Big Stone,Chippewa,Clearwater,Cook,Hubbard,Kittson,Lac Qui Parle,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Lincoln,Lyon,Marshall,Murray,Nobles,Pipestone,Rock,Roseau,St. Louis,Traverse, Yellow Medicine	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Inpatient Chemical Dependency providers physically present in these counties. Cities that have these facilities include St. Paul/Minneapolis, Duluth, Brainerd, Crookston, Fergus Falls, Grand Rapids, Hibbing, Albert Lea, Fairmont, Faribault, Mankato, Owatonna, St. Cloud, Rochester, and Grand Forks, ND.
Chemical Dependency Outpatient	Beltrami,Cook,Houston,Kittson,Koochiching,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,St. Louis	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Outpatient Chemical Dependency providers physically present in northern Beltrami, Cook, Houston, Kittson, northern Lake, Lake of the Woods, and northern St. Louis counties.
Colon and Rectal Surgery	Aitkin,Becker,Beltrami,Blue Earth,Brown,Cass,Clearwater,Cook,Cottonwood,Crow Wing,Faribault,Freeborn,Grant,Hubbard,Itasca,Jackson,Kittson,Koochiching,Lac Qui Parle,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Lincoln,Lyon,Marshall,Martin,Murray,Nicollet,Nobles,Otter Tail,Pennington,Big Stone,Mahnomen,Polk,Pope,Red Lake,Redwood,Renville,Roseau,St. Louis,Stevens,Swift,Traverse,Waseca,Watowan,Wilkin, Yellow Medicine	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Colon and Rectal Surgery providers physically present in these counties. Metropolitan areas that have these specialists include St. Paul/Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Cloud, Rochester, Fargo, ND/Moorhead, MN, and Sioux Falls, SD
Colon and Rectal Surgery	Chippewa	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Colon and Rectal Surgery providers physically present in Chippewa county. Metropolitan areas that have these specialists include St. Paul/Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Cloud, Rochester, Fargo, ND/Moorhead, MN, and Sioux Falls, SD

Colon and Rectal Surgery	Sibley	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Colon and Rectal Surgery providers physically present in Sibley county. Metropolitan areas that have these specialists include St. Paul/Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Cloud, Rochester, Fargo, ND/Moorhead, MN, and Sioux Falls, SD
Dermatology	Beltrami,Cook,Koochiching,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Roseau,St. Louis	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Dermatology providers physically present in northern Beltrami, Cook, Koochiching, northern Lake, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and northern St. Louis counties.
Endocrinology	Beltrami,Big Stone,Cook,Jackson,Kittson,Koochiching,Lac Qui Parle,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Marshall,Nobles,Pennington,Roseau,St. Louis	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Endocrinology providers physically present in northern Beltrami, Big Stone, Cook, Jackson, Kittson, Koochiching, Lac Qui Parle, northern Lake, Lake of the Woods, Marshall, Nobles, Pennington, Roseau and northern St. Louis counties.
Gastroenterology	Beltrami,Cook,Lake Of The Woods,Roseau	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Gastroenterology providers physically present in northern Beltrami, Cook, Lake of the Woods, and Roseau counties.
General Hospital facilities	Aitkin,Beltrami,Cass,Clearwater,Cook,Itasca,Koochiching,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Marshall,Roseau,St. Louis	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Hospital Facilities physically present in northeastern Aitkin, northern Beltrami, northern Clearwater, northern Cook, northern Itasca, central or western Koochiching, northeastern Lake, northern Lake of the Woods, northeastern Marshall, southwestern Roseau and northern St. Louis counties.
General Surgery	Cook	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no General Surgery providers physically present in Cook county.
Genetics	Aitkin,Becker,Beltrami,Big Stone,Blue Earth,Brown,Cass,Clearwater,Cook,Crow Wing,Faribault,Freeborn,Grant,Hubbard,Itasca,Kanabec,Kittson,Koochiching,Lac Qui Parle,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Mahnomen,Marshall,Martin,Nicollet,Otter Tail,Pennington,Pine,Polk,,Pope,Red Lake,Renville,Roseau,St. Louis,Sibley,Stevens,Swift,Traverse,Waseca,Watonwan,Wilkin	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Genetics providers physically present in these counties. Metropolitan areas that have these specialists include St. Paul/Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Cloud, Rochester, Fargo, ND/Moorhead, MN, and Sioux Falls, SD
Mental health providers	Beltrami,Big Stone,Cook,Koochiching,Lac Qui Parle,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,St. Louis,Traverse	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Mental Health providers physically present in northeastern Beltrami, Big Stone, northern Cook, western or central Koochiching, Lac Qui Parle, ,northeastern Lake, Lake of the Woods, northern St. Louis, and Traverse counties.
Mental health providers	Itasca	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Mental Health providers physically present in northwestern Itasca county.
Nephrology	Cook,Lake	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Nephrology providers physically present in Cook and northern Lake counties.

<i>Neurology and Neurological Surgery</i>	<i>Big Stone,Cook,Lake,Traverse</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Neurology and Neurological Surgery providers physically present in Big Stone, Cook, eastern Lake, and Traverse counties.</i>
<i>Obstetrics and Gynecology</i>	<i>Cook</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Obstetrics and Gynecology providers physically present in Cook county.</i>
<i>Oncology</i>	<i>Cook,Lake</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Oncology providers physically present in Cook and northern Lake counties.</i>
<i>Ophthalmology</i>	<i>Cook</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Ophthalmology providers physically present in Cook county.</i>
<i>Orthopedic Surgery</i>	<i>Cook</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Orthopedic Surgery providers physically present in Cook county.</i>
<i>Otolaryngology</i>	<i>Cook</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Otolaryngology providers physically present in Cook county.</i>
<i>Pediatric Services Providers</i>	<i>Beltrami, Big Stone, Clearwater, Cook, Faribault, Fillmore, Grant, Houston, Itasca, Kittson, Koochiching, Lake, Lake Of The Woods, Marshall, Martin, St. Louis, Stevens, Traverse</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Pediatric providers physically present in northern Beltrami, Big Stone, northern Clearwater, Cook, GrFaribault, Fillmore, Grant, northern Itasca, Kittson, Koochiching, northern Lake, Lake of the Woods, Marshall, Martin, northern St. Louis, Stevens, and Traverse counties.</i>
<i>Pediatric Specialty Providers</i>	<i>Aitkin, Becker, Cass, Cook, Crow Wing, Itasca, Kittson, Koochiching, Lake, St. Louis, Traverse</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Specialty Pediatric providers physically present in Aitkin, Becker, Cass, Cook, Crow Wing, northwestern Itasca, Kittson, Koochiching, northeastern Lake, northern St. Louis, and Traverse counties.</i>

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**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.

Provider Type	County	Reason Code	Notes
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and Occupational Medicine	Cook	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and Occupational Medicine providers physically present in Cook county.
Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Speech Therapy	Koochiching	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Speech Therapy providers physically present in northern Koochiching county.
Primary Care providers	Beltrami,Cook,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Marshall,St. Louis	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Primary Care providers physically present in northern Beltrami, northern Cook, northern Lake and Lake of the Woods, northern Marshall and northern St. Louis counties.
Pulmonary Disease	Beltrami,Chippewa,Cook,Lac Qui Parle,Lake Of The Woods,Marshall,Redwood,Renville,Roseau, Yellow Medicine	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Pulmonary Disease providers physically present in Beltrami, Brown, Chippewa, Cook, Lac Qui Parle, Lake of the Woods, Marshall, Redwood, Renville, Roseau, and Yellow Medicine counties.
Pulmonary Disease	Lyon	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Pulmonary Disease providers physically present in Lyon county.
Radiology and Nuclear Medicine	Cook,Koochiching,Lake,Roseau,St. Louis	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Radiology or Nuclear Medicine providers physically present in Cook, Koochiching, Lake, Roseau, and northern St. Louis counties. Radiology services may be provided at hospitals in these counties with telehealth technology being used by radiologists for analysis and diagnosis support.
Reconstructive Surgery	Aitkin,Becker,Beltrami,Big Stone,Cass,Chippewa,Clearwater,Cook,Cottonwood,Crow Wing,Grant,Hubbard,Itasca,Jackson,Kittson,Koochiching,Lac Qui Parle,Lake,Lake Of The Woods,Lincoln,Lyon,Mahnom en,,Marshall,Martin,Murray,Nobles,Otter Tail,Pennington,Polk,Pope,Red Lake,Renville,Roseau,St. Louis,Stevens,Swift,Traverse, Yellow Medicine	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Reconstructive Surgery providers physically present in these counties. Metropolitan areas that have these specialists include St. Paul/Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Cloud, Rochester, Fargo, ND/Moorhead, MN, and Sioux Falls, SD
Reconstructive Surgery	Redwood	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Reconstructive Surgery providers physically present in Redwood county. Metropolitan areas that have these specialists include St. Paul/Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Cloud, Rochester, Fargo, ND/Moorhead, MN, and Sioux Falls, SD

Thoracic Surgery	Aitkin, Beltrami, Becker, Big Stone, Blue Earth, Brown, Cass, Chippewa, Clearwater, Cook, Crow Wing, Faribault, Freeborn, Grant, Itasca, Jackson, Kittson, Koochiching, Lac Qui Parle, Lake, Lake Of The Woods, Lincoln, Lyon, Mahnom en, Marshall, Martin, Murray, Nobles, Otter Tail, Pennington, Pine, Polk, Pope, Red Lake, Redwood, Renville, Roseau, St. Louis, Stevens, Swift, Traverse, Waseca, Watonwan, Wilkin, Yellow Medicine	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Thoracic Surgery providers physically present in these counties. Metropolitan areas that have these specialists include St. Paul/Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Cloud, Rochester, Fargo, ND/Moorhead, MN, and Sioux Falls, SD
Thoracic Surgery	Cottonwood	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Thoracic Surgery providers physically present in Cottonwood county. Metropolitan areas that have these specialists include St. Paul/Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Cloud, Rochester, Fargo, ND/Moorhead, MN, and Sioux Falls, SD
Thoracic Surgery	Hubbard	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Thoracic Surgery providers physically present in Hubbard county. Metropolitan areas that have these specialists include St. Paul/Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Cloud, Rochester, Fargo, ND/Moorhead, MN, and Sioux Falls, SD
Thoracic Surgery	Kanabec	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Thoracic Surgery providers physically present in Kanabec county. Metropolitan areas that have these specialists include St. Paul/Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Cloud, Rochester, Fargo, ND/Moorhead, MN, and Sioux Falls, SD
Urology	Beltrami, Cook, Kittson, Lake Of The Woods, Roseau	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Urology providers physically present in Beltrami, Cook, Kittson, Lake of the Woods, and Roseau counties.
Vascular Surgery	Beltrami, Blue Earth, Cook, Faribault, Freeborn, Kittson, Koochiching, Lake, Lake Of The Woods, Martin, Roseau, St. Louis, Watonwan	1	Carrier has conducted a good faith search for providers and there are no Vascular Surgery providers physically present in Beltrami, Cook, Blue Earth, Faribault, Freeborn, Kittson, Koochiching, eastern Lake, Lake of the Woods, Martin, Roseau, northern St. Louis, and Watonwan counties.
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