

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
UCare Minnesota	UCare Choices	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>General Hospital facilities</i>	<i>Cook, St. Louis, Aitkin, Lake, Cass, Itasca, Koochiching</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Primary Care providers</i>	<i>Cook, St. Louis, Lake, Koochiching</i>	<i>1</i>	Ucare is contracted with OnCare and Vitruwell to support Telehealth and Telemedicine technologies, including regions where gaps in provider coverage exist.
<i>Mental health providers</i>	<i>St. Louis</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Pediatric Services Providers</i>	<i>Lake, St. Louis, Cook, Itasca, Cass, Koochiching</i>	<i>1</i>	Ucare is contracted with OnCare and Vitruwell to support Telehealth and Telemedicine technologies, including regions where gaps in provider coverage exist.
<i>Pediatric Specialty Providers</i>	<i>Cook, St. Louis</i>	<i>1</i>	Ucare is contracted with OnCare and Vitruwell to support Telehealth and Telemedicine technologies, including regions where gaps in provider coverage exist.
<i>Allergy, Immunology and Rheumatology</i>	<i>Cass, Cook, Itasca, Koochiching, St. Louis, Lake</i>	<i>1</i>	Ucare is contracted with OnCare and Vitruwell to support Telehealth and Telemedicine technologies, including regions where gaps in provider coverage exist.
<i>Cardiac Surgery</i>	<i>Cook</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Cardiovascular Disease</i>	<i>Cook</i>	<i>1</i>	Ucare is contracted with OnCare and Vitruwell to support Telehealth and Telemedicine technologies, including regions where gaps in provider coverage exist.
<i>Colon and Rectal Surgery</i>	<i>Cass, Cook, Aitkin, St. Louis, Crow Wing, Itasca, Morrison, Stearns, Koochiching</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Dermatology</i>	<i>Cook, Lake, Koochiching, St. Louis</i>	<i>1</i>	Ucare is contracted with OnCare and Vitruwell to support Telehealth and Telemedicine technologies, including regions where gaps in provider coverage exist.
<i>Endocrinology</i>	<i>Cass, Cook, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake, Pine, St. Louis</i>	<i>1</i>	Ucare is contracted with OnCare and Vitruwell to support Telehealth and Telemedicine technologies, including regions where gaps in provider coverage exist.

Gastroenterology	Cook,Itasca,Koochiching,St. Louis	1	Ucare is contracted with OnCare and Vitruwell to support Telehealth and Telemedicine technologies, including regions where gaps in provider coverage exist.
General Surgery	Cook	1	
Genetics	Cook,Kanabec,Lake,St. Louis,Aitkin,Pine,Crow Wing,Itasca,Koochiching,Cass	1	
Nephrology	Cook,Lake,St. Louis	1	Ucare is contracted with OnCare and Vitruwell to support Telehealth and Telemedicine technologies, including regions where gaps in provider coverage exist.
Neurology and Neurological Surgery	Lake,Koochiching,St. Louis,Cook	1	
Obstetrics and Gynecology	Cook	1	Ucare is contracted with OnCare and Vitruwell to support Telehealth and Telemedicine technologies, including regions where gaps in provider coverage exist.
Oncology	Cook,Lake,St. Louis,Itasca,Koochiching	1	Ucare is pursuing a UCare Choices contract with Sanford and Grand Itasca
Ophthalmology	St. Louis,Lake,Cook,Koochiching	1	Ucare is pursuing a UCare Choices contract with Sanford
Orthopedic Surgery	Cook	1	
Otolaryngology	Cook	1	Ucare is contracted with OnCare and Vitruwell to support Telehealth and Telemedicine technologies, including regions where gaps in provider coverage exist.
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and Occupational Medicine	Cook	1	
Pulmonary Disease	Cook,Koochiching,St. Louis	1	Ucare is contracted with OnCare and Vitruwell to support Telehealth and Telemedicine technologies, including regions where gaps in provider coverage exist.

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.

Provider Type	County	Reason Code	Notes
<i>Reconstructive Surgery</i>	<i>Cook, Lake, Koochiching, St. Louis</i>	<i>1</i>	Ucare is contracted with OnCare and Virtuwell to support Telehealth and Telemedicine technologies, including regions where gaps in provider coverage exist.
<i>Radiology and Nuclear Medicine</i>	<i>,Cook, Koochiching, St. Louis</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Thoracic Surgery</i>	<i>Cook</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Urology</i>	<i>Cook</i>	<i>1</i>	Ucare is contracted with OnCare and Virtuwell to support Telehealth and Telemedicine technologies, including regions where gaps in provider coverage exist.
<i>Vascular Surgery</i>	<i>Cook</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Chemical Dependency Inpatient</i>	<i>Cass, Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Crow Wing</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Chemical Dependency Outpatient</i>	<i>Cook, Lake</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Speech Therapy</i>	<i>Koochiching</i>	<i>1</i>	