

MANAGED CARE SYSTEMS

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# Request for Waiver

lan Year 2

2021

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	Network Structure*
Blue Plus	High Value Network	МИМ009	<select one=""></select>
Name	Title	Date	Enrollees in Network*
Eric Hoag	Vice President, Provider Relations	7/29/2020	

#### 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	Affected Enrollees*	Percent Total Enrollees Affected	Percent Not Covered*	Percent Available Providers Included
General Hospital facilities	Aitkin	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Riverwood Health Care Center, Cuyuna Regional Medical Center, Fairview Health and St. Lukes Hospital, no General Hospitals are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy. Members can access hospital care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access online provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filing these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.	1	3		
General Hospital facilities	Becker	3	A waiver is requested due to another hospital provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn.Stat. §62K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network; specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network hospital services in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.	0	1		

General Hospital facilities	Beltrami	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Grand Itasca Hospital, Bigfork Valley Hospital and Rainy Lake Medical Center, no General Hospitals are available to cover of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy. Members can access hospital area it the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.	4	15	
General Hospital facilities	Cass	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Cuyuna Regional Medical Center, Cass Lake Indian Hospital, Bigfork Valley Hospital and Grand Itasca Hospital, no General Hospitals are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining networks of adequacy. Members can access hospital care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealtth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.	1	10	
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General Hospital facilities	Cook	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including North Shore Health. Cook Hospital, and Lakeview Memorial Hospitals are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kitson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wildemess, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access hospital care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to	1	15	

General Hospital facilities	Fillmore	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Olmsted Medical Center, and Winona Health Services, no General Hospitals are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy. Members can access hospital care at leadilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers, or mobile	11	15	
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General Hospital facilities	Lake Of The Woods	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanrofe Health, Cook Hospital, Bigfort Valley Hospital and Rainy Lake Medical Center, no General Hospitals are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access hospital care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtural care.	25	
General Hospital facilities	Marshall	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Red Lake Hospital, Riverview Healthcare and Kittson Memorial Hospital, no General Hospitals are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy. Members can access hospital care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.	0	

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General Hospital facilities	Roseau	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Red Lake Hospital, Lakewood Health Center and Kitison Memorial Hospital, no General Hospitals are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kitison include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access hospital care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Arise providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to		3	
General Hospital facilities	St. Louis	3	A waiver is requested due to another hospital provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn.Stat. §62K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network; specifically provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost orderia. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network hospital services in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.	18	20	
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Primary Care providers	Cook	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including North Shore Health, Bay Area Health Center, Lake View Clinic and Sawtooth Mountain Clinic, no Primary Care providers are valiable to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kitson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access Primary Care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers which pagnoached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to	1	20	
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For all reason codes, carriers must demonstrate with specific data that geographic access standards cannot be met. Carriers must state what steps were and will be taken to address network inadequacies (MN Statutes § 62K.10, subdivision 5).

### Allowable Waiver Reason Codes and Guidelines for Initial Approval

Applications to waive the requirements in Minnesota Statutes 62K.10 Subd. 2 or 3 must fit one of the following reason codes.

#### Reason Code 1:

Carrier has conducted a search for providers and determined that, for each county in the plan service area, there are no providers physically present of the type requested in the waiver.

- 1. Provide a description of physical geography and/or other factors that affect the location of providers (as relevant)
- 2. Demonstrate consultation of at least two provider directories and/or data sources. Provide a description of the provider directories and/or data sources consulted, including a brief explanation of why the sources are believed to be accurate and complete. Examples of acceptable provider directories and data sources include, but are not limited to:
  - NPPES NPI Registry
  - b. Medicare Physician Compare
  - c. <u>Minnesota Health Care Programs Provider Directory</u>
  - d. Healthgrades
  - e. SAMHSA Behavioral Health Provider Directories
  - National Institute of Health (NIH) U.S. National Library of Medicine MedlinePlus Directories
- 3. For Primary Care, Pediatric Services (Primary Care), General Hospital and Mental Health provider types:
  - a. State the total number and percentage of estimated enrollees affected in the county not meeting the geographic standard as of the submission date of waiver. Select only one county per line.
  - b. State how access will be provided for this provider type for enrollees of the affected county. For example, does the carrier provide transportation services/vouchers, in-home care options, virtual care services, and/or telemedicine services?
    - i. If telemedicine is used to provide access:
      - These services must meet the definition of "telemedicine" in Minnesota Statutes
      - 62A.671, subdivision 9.
      - 2. Carrier must describe the extent to which telemedicine services are available
        - a. How many network providers of the impacted provider type have contracts to conduct/provide telemedicine services?
- 4. Describe how they will assess the availability of providers who begin practice in the service area where the standard cannot currently be met and agree to conduct this assessment quarterly
  - a. Assessment of availability must include consultation of at least two provider directories and/or data sources, as described in item 2, above

#### Reason Code 2:

Provider does not meet carrier's credentialing requirements.

- 1. Cite the reason(s) provider does not meet credentialing requirements
- 2. For Primary Care, Pediatric Services (Primary Care), General Hospital, and Mental Health provider types
  - a. State the total number and percentage of estimated enrollees affected in the county not meeting the geographic standard as of the submission date of waiver. Select only one county per line.
- 3. State how access will be provided for this provider type for enrollees of the affected county. For example, does the carrier allow enrollees to receive out-of-network care at in-network rates, provide transportation services/vouchers, in-home care options, virtual care services, and/or telemedicine services?

  - If telemedicine is used to provide access:
     These services must meet the definition of "telemedicine" in Minnesota Statutes
    - 62A 671 subdivision 9
    - 2. Carrier must describe the extent to which telemedicine services are available
      - a. How many network providers of the impacted provider type have contracts to conduct/provide telemedicine services?

## Reason Code 3:

Carrier has made a good faith effort to contract with provider and provider has refused to accept a contract.

- Cite the reason(s) provider states for refusing a contract
- 2. For Primary Care, Pediatric Services (Primary Care), General Hospital and Mental Health provider types

- a. State the total number and percentage of estimated enrollees affected in the county not meeting the geographic standard as of the submission date of waiver. Select only one county per line.
- 3. State how access will be provided for this provider type for enrollees of the affected county. For example, does the carrier allow enrollees to receive out-of-network care at in-network rates, provide transportation services/vouchers, in-home care options, virtual care services, and/or telemedicine services?
  - i. If telemedicine is used to provide access:
    - 1. These services must meet the definition of "telemedicine" in Minnesota Statutes
    - 62A.671, subdivision 9
    - 2. Carrier must describe the extent to which telemedicine services are available
      - a. How many network providers of the impacted provider type have contracts to conduct/provide telemedicine services?

#### Reason Code 4:

Network is an Accountable Care Organization (ACO) or Narrow Network.

- 1. Specify the network structure: Accountable Care Organization (ACO) or Narrow Network
  - a. If the network is an ACO, provide a brief description of the major health systems participating in the network
  - b. If the network is a narrow network, describe the features of the network that restrict access
  - c. For both ACOs and Narrow Networks, state what percentage of available Primary Care, Pediatric Services (Primary Care), General Hospital, and Mental Health providers are included in the county and of the provider type for which a waiver is requested
- 2. State what, if any, steps are taken to inform enrollees of restricted access
- 3. State the total number of estimated enrollees in the network as of the submission date of the waiver
- 4. State why the geographic access standards cannot be met. Explain why full geographic access is not possible with this network design
- 5. State how access will be provided for this provider type for the enrollees of the affected county. For example, does the carrier allow enrollees to receive out-of-network care at in-network rates, provide transportation services/vouchers, in-home care options, virtual care services, and/or telemedicine services?
  - i. If telemedicine is used to provide access:
    - 1. These services must meet the definition of "telemedicine" in Minnesota Statutes
    - 62A.671, subdivision 9
    - 2. Carrier must describe the extent to which telemedicine services are available
      - a. How many network providers of the impacted provider type have contracts to conduct/provide telemedicine services?
- 6. For Primary Care, Pediatric Services (Primary Care), General Hospital and Mental Health provider types,
  - State the total number and percentage of estimated enrollees affected in the county not meeting the geographic standard as of the submission date of waiver. Select only one county per line.
  - b. State the estimated percentage of area in that county that is not covered

#### 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.

Eric Hoag, Blue Cross Blue Shield MN, Vice President, Provider Relations July 29, 2020

Name, Company, Title Date Attestation Signed

Provider Type	County	Reason Code	Notes	Affected Enrollees*	Percent Total Enrollees Affected	Percent Not Covered	Percent Available Providers Included in Network
Primary Care providers	Marshall	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Altru Health, and Lifecare Medical Center, and Kittson Memorial Clinic, no Primary Care providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining review as the services and Suber Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service unimber found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if etternedicine, outcreach chinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.		o		
Primary Care providers	Mower	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Mayo Clinic Health to include the needed facilities for this network and in compliance with the Minn. Stat. §52X.10. These are not Essential Community Provider. Our proposal was declined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our organizations could not agree on terms needed to participate in the high value network specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.	2	10		
Primary Care providers	St. Louis	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including St. Luke's Hospital and Clinics, Scenic Rivers Health Services, University, Medical Center Meastia and Ely Bloomenson, no Primary Care providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicard Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north countles in Minnesoda: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forcest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access Primary Care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring countles. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quanterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Metarte providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers self-excited county.		5		
Mental health providers	Beltrami	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Altru Health, Red Lake Hospital and Clinic and Northaud Counseling Center, no Mental Health providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining in a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (Original Representation of the American Provider (and Services Charles) for determining network adequacy. Members can access Mental Health care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-nine provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waters are requested for the listed ocunty.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filing these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.		15		

Mental health providers	Cook	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Lake View Clinic, Sawtooth Mountain, Accord Services and Human Development Center, no Mental Health providers are available to cover 100% of this country. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining in provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicard Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Vargeurs National Park, Rany Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bosic Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access Mental Health care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider indercories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if elemendicine, outrees belied of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations Providers and the results and an analysis.		10	
Mental health providers	Kittson	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Altru Health, Red Lake Hospital and Clinic., and Northland Counseling Center, no Mental Health providers are available to cover 100% of this country. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest and and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access Mental Health care at the facilities listed above in this country and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, walvers are requested for the listed county.  On a quanterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the assumer of 2020 to determine if telenedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers differ feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network agas. In 2020, blue Cross Blue Sheld of Minnesota has enhanced their Televidoc Consultations Ferrices Televices Devices on the Later providers will be approached in t		40	
Mental health providers	Koochiching	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Red Lake Hospital and Cillinc, Lakeview Behavioral Health, and Northland Counseling Center, no Mental Health providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicard Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north countles in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access Mental Health care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quanterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to assess prepared the provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinks, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filing these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations Telehealth Telemedicine Services problems to the solutions.	0	o	
Mental health providers	Lake	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn.Stat. §62K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access ein-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.	2	40	

Mental health providers	Lake	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including lake View Clinic, Sawboth Mountain, Nystom & Associates and Accend Services, no Mental Health providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyaquers National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access Mental Health care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider indecroties showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if elemendicine, outcreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filing these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations Telefenhealth Televideo Consultations Telefenhealth Televideo Consultations Telefenhealth Te	40	
Mental health providers	Lake Of The Woods	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Altru Health, Red Lake Hospital and Clinic, and Northland Counseling Center, no Mental Health providers are available to cover 100% of this country. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access Mental Health care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to us Cuest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network gas. In 2020, Blue Cross Silue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.	10	
Mental health providers	Marshall	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Altru Health, Red Lake Hospital and Clinic, and Riverview Health Center, no Mental Health providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest I Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CM) for determining retwork adequacy. Members can access Mental Health care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Bitle Plus members can access on-line provided recitories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service unarber found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will conflicute to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outcreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.	o	
Mental health providers	Roseau	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Altru Health, Red Lake Hospital and Clinic, and Northland Counseling Center, no Mental Health providers are available to cover 109% of this country. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The farr most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest. Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access Mental Health care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, wavers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to us Quest Analysics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Meter providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filing these enterox agas. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesot has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.	5	

Mental health providers	St. Louis	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health reparding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat, 560K. 10. These are not Essential Community Providers Corresponding to the Community Providers Corresponding to the Corre	4	5	
Mental health providers	St. Louis	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including St. Lukes Mental Health, Nystrom & Associates, Armowhead Psychological and Mesaba Clinic, no Mental Health providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesct. Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access Mental Health care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, walvers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers selfective solutions for filling these enetwork ages. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.	4	5	
Pediatric Specially Providers	Big Stone, Traverse, St. Louis, Lake	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat, \$62K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network; specializedly, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.			
Pediatric Specially Providers	Koochiching,Roseau, St. Louis,Lake Of The Woods	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Altru Health, Red Lake Hospital and Clinic and Pediatric Surgical Associates, no Pediatric Specially providers are available to over 10% of the executive and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesotar Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are brothered by Canada to the north.  Members can access pediatric specialty care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their 10 card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed counties.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analysis, Medicare Physician Compare and provider velocities to search for new providers. Matert providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations Telehealth Televideo Consultations of the listed cell three delicers believe to support access to vir			

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Allergy, Immunology and Rheumatology	Cook,Kiltson,Lake,La ke Of The Woods,Roseau,St. Louis	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Altru Health, Red Lake Hospital and Clinic and Rainy Lake Medical Center, no Altery, immunology and Rheumatology providers are available to cover 100% of these ocunities. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicald Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access allergy, immunology and rheumatology care at the facilities listed above in these counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access allergy, immunology and rheumatology care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, walvers are requested for the listed counties.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach chains, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective soultons for filling these network ages. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televidoo Consultations/		
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Cardiac Surgery	Aitkin,Beltrami,Big Stone,Cook,Itasca,Kit Ison,Koochiching,La Woods,Marshall,Marti n,Pennington,Roseau ,St. Louis, Traverse,Becke r	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, CentraCare, St. Lukes Hospital and Culinics, and Fairwise Health, no Cardiac Surgeny providers are available to cover 100% of these counties. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Foxest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bols Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access cardiac surgery care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, walvers are requested for the listed counties.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use quarterly basis we will continue to desert and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be providere solutions for filling these network ages. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultational Federalth's democration Services policy to support access to virtual cards.		

Cardiovascular Disease	Cook	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including St. Lukes Hospital and Clinics, Mesaba Clinica and Lake View Clinic. on Cardiovascular Disease providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering for determining methods adequacy.  The far most north countiles in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wildenses, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Boundary Waters Wildenses, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Boundary Waters Wildenses, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access cardiovascular disease care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring countes. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provided riectories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if elemendicine, outceach office, or world bending providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filing these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televidoo Consultatio		
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Colon and Rectal Surgery	Becker, Beltrami, Big Stone, Cass, Clearwat er, Cook, Houston, Hub bard, Ifasca, Jackson, Kittson, Koochiching, Mahnomen, Marshall, Martin, Nobles, Pennin gton, Polk, Red Roseau, St. Louis, Traverse, Lake Of The Woods	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Fairview Health, University of MN Physicians, Firstight Helath System, Minnesota Colon and Rectal Surgical Specialists, and Voyage Healthcare, no Colon and Rectal Surgery providers are available to cover 100% of these counties. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access colon and rectal surgery care at the facilities listed above in these counties, neighboring counties as well as metro counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, walvers are requested for the listed counties.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physicanic Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Meter providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these enterowing as the provider sections of the films described consultations of		
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Dermatology	Cook,Lake,St. Louis	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicane Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including St. Luke's Hospital and Clinics, Twin Ports Dermatology, and Mesaba Clinics, no Demardology providers are available to over 100% of these counties. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining it a provider is available and offering Services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicade Services (CIMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wildeness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Boundary Waters Wildeness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access dermatology care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-nine provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed counties.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if elemendicine, outcreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filing these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televidoo Cons		
Dermatology	Jackson,Lake,St. Louis	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat. §62K. 10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network; specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Mayo Clinic Health to include the needed facilities for this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat. §62K. 10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our proposal was declined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our organizations could not agree on terms needed to participate in the high value network respecifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network respectively. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counteils.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.		
Endocrinology	Big Stone,Cook,Kittson,K oochiching,Lake,Lak e Of The Woods,Marshall,St. Louis,Traverse,Rose au	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health. Alomere Health, Red Lake Hospital and Clinic and Carn's Health or Red Controllogy providers are available to cover 100% of these counties. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water life Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access endocrinology care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access endocrinology care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed counties.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective soutions for filling these enterowing ass.		
Endocrinology	Aitkin,Big Stone,Cass,Crow Wing,Itasca,Jackson, Koochiching,Lac Qui Parle,Lake,Lincoln,Ly on,Murray,Nobles,St. Louis,Yellow Medicine	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat. §62K. 10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network; specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Mayo Clinic Health to include the needed facilities for this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat. §62K. 10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our proposal was declined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our organizations could not agree on terms needed to participate in the high value network; specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.		

Gastroenterology	Cook,Koochiching,La ke Of The Wood,Roseau,St. Louis	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Altru Health, Red Lake Hospital and Clinic, Lakeview Memorial Hospital and St Lukes Hospital and Clinics, no Gastroenterology providers are available to cover 100% of hese countes. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Arralytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medical Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest and and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Vagorgus National Part, Ramy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access gastroenterology care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the		
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Gastroenterology	Cook,Lake,St. Louis,Mower	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn. Stat. §62K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network, specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Mayo Clinic Health to include the needed facilities for this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat. §82K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our progress was reclined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our great actions and community providers. Our progress was reclined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our great actions and community providers. Our progress was reclined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our great actions and community providers. Our progress was reclined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our great actions are interested to participate in the high value network specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network specifically. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.		
General Surgery	Cook	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including St. Lukes Hospital and Clinics, Bay Area Health Center, Messaba Clinic and Ely Biocomerson, no General Surgey providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest. Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access general surgery care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine I telemedicine, outcase Inches on the provider of the residue document of the provider of the solutions for filing these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations Televideo Consultations Televideo Consultations Televideo Consultations Tel		
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Nephrology	Cook,Lake,St. Louis	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Laurentian Medical Clinic and St. Lukes Hospital and Clinics, no Nephrolody providers are available to cover 100% of these counties. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest and and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bols Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Cannada to the north.  Wenthers can access nephrology care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed counties.  On a quanterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outcose this will continue to use effective solutions for filing these network gaps. In 2020, blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televidoo Consultations Federaletth Televideo Consultations Federaletth Televideo Consultations Federaletth Televideo Consultations Federaletth Televideo Consult		
Neurology and Neurological Surgery	Big Stone,Cook,Lake,Tra verse	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including St. Luke's Hospital and Clinics, Laurentian Medical Clinic, Northand Neurology and Mythology, and Hibbing Family Medical Center, no Neurology and Neurosurgery providers are available to cover 100% of these counties. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesoda: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forcest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access neurology and neurosurgery care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the network information. As a result, varivers are requested for the listed counties.  On a quanterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Cuest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Mater providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, cutreach clinics, or mobile health providers self-resultie, cost effective solutions for filing these network ages. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shelid of Minnesota has enhanced their Televidoo Consultational Food and the calculations.		
Neurology and Neurological Surgery	Lake,St. Louis	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn.Stat. §62K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network; specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access ein-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.		

Obstetrics and Gynecology	Cook	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Lakeview Memorial, Scenic Rivers Health Services, St. Lukes Hospital and Clinics, and Mesaba Clinic. no Obsethers and Gynecology providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medical Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Bourdary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Vorgaquers National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access Obstetrics and Gynecology care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if elemendicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if elemendicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filing these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations Federabeth Televideo Consultations Federabeth Tele		
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Oncology	Cook,Lake,St. Louis	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Mesaba Clinic. University Medical Center Mesabi and St. Lukes Hospital and Clinics, no Oncology providers are available to cover 100% of these counties. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north countles in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access oncology care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed counties.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers of file freasible, cost effective soultons for filling these network gas, In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shieled of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.		
Oncology	Lac Qui Parle, Lake, Lincoin, Ly on, St. Louis, Yellow Medicine	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat §62K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network; specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Mayo Clinic Health to include the needed facilities for this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat. §62K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our proposal was declined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our organizations could not agree on terms needed to participate in the high value network. Specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. Members can access in-network specialists in adjecent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.		

Ophthalmology	Cook,Kittson	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Viterocertain Surgery, St. Lukes Hospital and Cilinics, Altru Health and Sarinof Health no Ophthalmology providers are available to cover 100% of these counties. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as we also a Centers for Medicare and Medicard Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyaquers National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bous Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access ophthalmology care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed counties.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outcreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televidoo Consultations Federabel Telemendicine Services policy to support access to virtual c		
Orthopedic Surgery	Cook	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Lake View Clinic, St. Lukes Hospital and Clinics. Mesalo Clinica and Eys Bloomenson, no Orthopedic Surgery providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forcest land and large bodies of water life Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access orthopedic surgery care at the facilities listed above in neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, walvers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers will be effective solutions for filling these network ages. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televidoo Consultations Federability Edemedicine Services by other species to virtual care.		
Otolaryngology	Cook,Koochiching,La ke,Lake Of The Woods,St. Louis	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including St. Lukes Hospital and Clinics, Sanford Health, Attru Health, and Red Lake Hospital and Clinics, Corollon, and Collinics, Oroldon, and a services are available to cover 100% of these counties. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water life Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access Orbiaryngology care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their 10 card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed counties.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physican Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective soutions for filling these network agas, in 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesot has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to s		
Otolaryngology	Koochiching,Lake,St. Louis	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat. §62K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network; specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reinhursement differential to support the high value network cost riteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.		

Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and Occupational Medic.	Koochiching,St. I Louis,Lake Of The Woods	3	A waiver is requested due to another specially provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat §62K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.		
Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Speech Therap	, Koochiching,St. Louis	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Altru Health, Viverant, Red Lake Hospital and Clinics and Progressive Care Therapy, no Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Speech Therapy providers are available to cover 100% of these counties. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining in provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health pians as well as Centres for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Konchiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of vater like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyaguers National Park, Rany Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider infectories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed counties.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if thelemedicine, cutered hicks, or motio health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling hese network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Tele		
Pulmonary Disease	Big Stone, Cook, Traverse	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Alomere Health, CCM Health, Bay Area Health Center, St Lukes Hospital and Clinic, and Measha Clinic, no Pulmonary Disease providers are available to cover lower of websites to several partners organizations including Alomere Health, CCM Health, Bay Area Health Center, St Lukes Hospital and Clinic, and Measha Clinic, no Pulmonary Disease providers are available to cover lower l		
Pulmonary Disease	Cook,Koochiching,La ke,St. Louis, Cass	3	A waiver is requested due to another specially provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat \$60X; 10. These are not Essential Community Provides. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.		

Reconstructive Surgery	Beitrami,Cook,Jacks on,Koochiching,Lake, Lake Of The Woods,Marshall,Nobl es,Pennington,Rosea u,St. Louis,Becker	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Ornsted, Allian Health, Lakeview Memorial Hospital, St. Lukes Hospital and Clinics and Northland Plastic Surgery, no Reconstructive Surgery providers are available to over 100% of these counties. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medical Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access reconstructive surgery care at the facilities listed above in these counties, neighboring counties as well as metro counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waters are requested for the listed counties.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use approached in the summer of 2020 to determine it Melenacions, cutteeth cilinics, or motible health providers will be engaged and the summer of 2020 to determine it Relenacions, cutteeth cilinics, or motible health providers offer feasible, cost effective ability to support access to virtual cards.		
Reconstructive Surgery	Faribault,Jackson,Lin coin,Lyon,Murray,No bles,Yellow Medicine	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat. §62K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network; specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Mayo Clinic Health to include the needed facilities for this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat. §62K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our proposal was declined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our organizations could not agree on terms needed to participate in the high value network or specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.		
SUD (Chemical Dependency) - Inpatient	Cook,Lake,Kittson	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Restore House, Northland Womens Recovery Centers, Range Mental Health Center; Lake Region Hailway Home, Douglas Place Treatment Center, Poneer Recovery Center, Project Turnabout, New Visions Center, and Lakeplace Referat Center, no SUID (Chemical Dependency Impatent providers are available to cover 100% of these countes. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medical Services (MS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainry Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainry Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainry Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bous Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access SUD (Chemical Dependency) - Inpatient care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waters are requested for the listed counties.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites		
Thoracic Surgery	Atkin,Beltrami,Big Stone,Cook,Itasca,Kit tson,Koochiching,La Woods,Marshall,Marti ,Pennington,Roseau ,St Louis,Traverse,Becke f	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, CentraCare, St. Lukes Hospital and Clinics, and Fairview Health, no Thoracic Surgery providers are available to cover 10% of these counties. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access thoracic surgery care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their 10 card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed counties.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective estudies network pages. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations Telehealth Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.		

Thoracic Surgery	Aitkin,Big Stone,Blue Earth,Brown,Cass,Ch ippewa,Crow Wing,Dodge,Douglas, Faribault,Fillmore,Fre eborn,Grant/Insca,K andiyoh,Lac Qui Parle,Martin,Mower,O Imsted,Otter Tail,Pope,Renville,Ste ele,Stevens,Swift,Tod d,Travers&Wabasha, Wadena,Waseca,Wat onwan,Wilkin,Yellow Medicine	regarding p Providers. implement. May 1, 201  A waiver is Health to in Community not agree o reimbursen adjacent cc Blue Cross	is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat. §62K.10. These are not Essential Community. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network; specifically, the provider was not willing to ta rembursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on 19s. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties. is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Mayo Clinic include the needed facilities for this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat. §62K.10. These are not Essential ly Providers. Our proposal was declined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our organizations could on terms needed to participate in the high value network; specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a more differential to support the high value network cost criteria. Members can access in-network specialists in counties.  ss and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call mem Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.		
Urology	Cook	Physician (Clinic, Lau county, Th offering the (CMS) for The far mo include der Superior, V Woods. Th Members c and Blue P Customer requested to 0 n a quart Quest Anal approaches effectives	a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare I Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including St. Lukes Hospital and Clinics, Messaba urentian Medical Clinic and Lakeview Memorial Hospital, no Unology providers are available to cover 109% of this researchies. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicald Services determining network adequacy.  Total control counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson ense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Can access urongs ursuper year at the facilities Isted above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross Plus members can access on on the back of their 10 card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are for the Isted county.		
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Vascular Surgery	Cook.Koochiching,La ke,St. Louis	Physician In Health Cene are available determining Centers for The far mo include der Superior, I Woods. The Members of Cross and Customer frequested I On a quarth Quest Anal approachee effective sc	in review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including \$1 Lukes Hospital and Clinics, Bay Area (Compare and provider Medical Clinic.) Histoling Family Medical Centem and Sanford Health or Vascular Surpey providers bible to cover 100% of these counties. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when grid a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as or Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  Sost north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson mess forest fand and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Kootchiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Threse counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  can access vascular surgery care at the facilities Isled above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue d Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Sevicioe number found on the back of the ITD Card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are for for the listed counties.		

Vascular Surgery	Cook,Faribault,Fillmo re,Freeborn,Lake,Mo wer	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn-Stat §26X.10. These are not Essential Community Providers Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network; specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Mayo Clinic Health to include the needed facilities for this network and in compliance with the Minn-Stat, §26X.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our proposal was declined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our reganizations could not agree on terms needed to participate in the high value network; specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.			
Pediatric Services Providers	Aitkin	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Allina Health, Scenic Rivers Health Services, Grand Itasca Health, and Lakewood Clinic, no Pediatric Service Providers are available to cover 100% of services and complete information when determining it a provider is available and control. These discretionisties were provider is available and control to the control of the provider is available and control of the co	17	60	
Pediatric Services Providers	Allkin	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health segarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat. SGX. 10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network specialisalty, the provider was not willing to implement a reinhousement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.	17	60	
Pediatric Services Providers	Beltrami	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Red Lake Hospital and Clinic, Mesabac (River Health Services, no Pediatric Service providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water life Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access pediatric care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analysics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Mathet providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective soutlows for filing these entework gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.	6	20	

Pediatric Services Providers	Big Stone	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Carris Health, Alomere Health, Swift County Benson Clinic and Lake Region Healthcare, no Pediatric Service providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy. Members can access pediatric care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring countes. Members can also utilize Family Medicine providers for pediatric care in areas where there are no pediatric providers present. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, walvers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics. Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach chinics, or mobile health providers offer fessible, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnescat has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.		75	
Pediatric Services Providers	Carlton	3	A waiver is requested due to another specially provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat §62K 10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network specializedly, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.	4	25	
Pediatric Services Providers	Cass	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat. §62K. 10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network, specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reinforcement differential to support the high value heavior cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access noillne provided reflectories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.	o	5	
Pediatric Services Providers	Cook	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including North Shore Health, Lake View Clinic and Sawtooth Mountain Clinic, no Pedatric Service providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access pediatric care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Members can also utilize Family Medicine providers for pediatric care in areas where there are no pediatric providers present. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, wavers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if elemendine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filing these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Tele		1	

Pediatric Services Providers	Cottonwood	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Mayo Clinic Health to include the needed facilities for this network and in compliance with the Minn. Stat. §62K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our proposal was declined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our organizations could not agree on terms needed to participate in the high value network specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.	1	2	
Pediatric Services Providers	Crow Wing	3	A valver is requested due to another specially provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Mirn. Stat. §62K. 10. These are not Essential Committee Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network specialisty, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.	1	10	
Pediatric Services Providers	Faribault	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Mayo Clinic Health to include the needed facilities for this network and in compliance with the Minn. Stat. §62K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our proposal was declined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our organizations could not agree on terms needed to participate in the high value network specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.	12	75	
Pediatric Services Providers	Freeborn	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Mayo Clinic Health to include the needed facilities for this network and in compliance with the Minn. Stat. §82K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our proposal was declined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our organizations could not agree on terms needed to participate in the high value network, specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.	67	95	

Pediatric Services Providers	Grant	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Alomere Health, Swift County Benson Clinic and Lake Region Healthcare, no Pediatric Service providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy. Members can access pediatric care at the facilities listed above in this county an neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-the iner provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quantify basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summor of 2020 to determine if elemendation, outcreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.		5	
Pediatric Services Providers	Jackson	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Mayo Clinic Health to include the needed facilities for this network and in compliance with the Minn. Stat. §62K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our proposal was declined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our organizations could not agree on terms needed to participate in the high value network specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.	4	25	
Pediatric Services Providers	Kanabec	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Essentia Health regarding participation in this network and in compliance with the Minn Stat. §62K. 10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our organizations could not agree on terms needed for this network, specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value heavior cost criteria. The provider declined participation on May 1, 2019. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access nine provided reflectories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.	o	1	
Pediatric Services Providers	Kittson	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Altru Health, and Red Lake Hospital and Clinic, no Pediatric Service providers are available to cover 1070% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching Stafe Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access pediatric care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Members can also utilize Family Medicine providers for pediatric care in areas where there are no pediatric providers present. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access or -ille provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if elemendicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filing these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations TeleheabthTelemendicine Services pocks.	4	95	

Pediatric Services Providers	Koochiching	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Scenic Rivers Health Services, Red Lake Hospital and Clinic, and Mesaba Clinic, no Pediatric Service providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Center for Medicare and Medical Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cock, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest and and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyaguers National Park, Rany Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Fortel Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access pediatric care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemeticine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers of resable, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Sheld of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations Telerbackers.	o a
Pediatric Services Providers	Lake	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including North Shore Health, Lake View Clinic and Sawbotch Mountain Clinic, no Pediatric Service providers are available to cover 10% of this county. The directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kritson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access pediatric care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Members can also utilize Family Medicine providers for pediatric care in areas where there are no pediatric providers present. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or access and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or access or-line full the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider metwork information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers of resa	40
Pediatric Services Providers	Lake Of The Woods	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider velocities of several partners organizations including Lakewood Health Centru Health, and Lifecare Medical Center, no Pediatric Service providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medical Gervices (CM5) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching Stafe Forest, Bous Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  1 Members can access pediatric care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Members can also utilize Family Medicine providers for pediatric care in areas where there are no pediatric providers present. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or cell the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach infinise, or mobile health providers of resable, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Sheid of Minnesota has enhanced their Televid	95
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Pediatric Services Providers	Marshall	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider vebsites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health, Altru Health, and Lifecare Medical Center, and Kittson Memorial Clinic, no Pediatric Service providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicad Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy. Members can access pedatric care at the facilities listed advers or in this county and neighboring countiles. Blue Cross and fallue Plus members can access on-line provided rescribed in exhibit the control of the provider in the county of the provider in the county of the provider in the county of the county. On a quarterly basis well control to a case and the county of	0	o	
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Pediatric Services Providers	Mille Lacs	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Allina Health, Fairview Health, Lakewood Clinic and St. Gabriefs Clinic, no Pediatric Service providers are available to over 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy. Members can access on-lien provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requised for the listed ocunty.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if eitemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network gaps. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Telemedicine Services policy to support access to virtual care.	4	15	
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Pediatric Services Providers	Roseau	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Sanford Health. Altru Health, and Red Lake Hospital and Clinic, no Pediatric Service providers are available to cover 100% of this county. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining if a provider is available and offering these services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St. Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water like Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access pediatric care at the facilities listed above in this county and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number founder in the back of their ID card for provider network information. As a result, waivers are requested for the listed county.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers. Market providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers offer feasible, cost effective solutions for filling these network ages. In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations Federaleta Televideo Consultations Federaleta Televideo Consultations Federaleta Televideo Consultation	1	5	
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Pediatric Services Providers	Steele	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Mayo Clinic Health to include the needed facilities for this network and in compliance with the Minn. Stat. §26X.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our proposal was declined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our organizations could not agree on terms needed to participate in the high value network, specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbrusement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. Members can access in-network specificalists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.	0	1	
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Pediatric Services Providers	Watonwan	3	A waiver is requested due to another specialty provider located in the area. Discussions were conducted with Mayo Clinic Health to include the needed facilities for this network and in compliance with the Minn. Stat. §82K.10. These are not Essential Community Providers. Our proposal was declined by the provider on February 19, 2020. Therefore, our organizations could not agree on terms needed to participate in the high value network specifically, the provider was not willing to implement a reimbursement differential to support the high value network cost criteria. Members can access in-network specialists in adjacent counties.  Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the networks participating providers or call the Customer Service number found on the back of their ID card for provider network information.	o	20	
Radiology and Nuclear Medicine	Koochiching,St. Louis	1	Based on a review of Internal records and provider directories (between April 1-30, 2020) such as Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites of several partners organizations including Lakeview Memorial Hospital, Consulting Radiologists, Medical Imaging North, Lakewood Health Centre Bigfork Valley Hospital no Radiology and Nuclear Medicine providers are available to cover 100% of these counties. These directories give us the most accurate and complete information when determining In provider is available and offering bees services. Quest Analytics is used by many health plans as well as Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for determining network adequacy.  The far most north counties in Minnesota: Cook, Lake, St Louis, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Roseau and Kittson include dense forest land and large bodies of water life Superior National Forest, Boundary Waters Wilderness, Lake Superior, Voyageurs National Park, Rainy Lake, Koochiching State Forest, Bois Forte Indian Reservation and Lake of the Woods. These counties are bordered by Canada to the north.  Members can access radiology and nuclear medicine care at the facilities listed above in these counties and neighboring counties. Blue Cross and Blue Plus members can access on-line provider directories showing the network participating providers are requested for the listed counties.  On a quarterly basis we will continue to assess network adequacy as new providers become available. We will continue to use Quest Analytics, Medicare Physician Compare and provider websites to search for new providers Metart providers will be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers self be approached in the summer of 2020 to determine if telemedicine, outreach clinics, or mobile health providers defective soutions for filling these network ages, In 2020, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota has enhanced their Televideo Consultations/Telehealth/Televideo Consultations/Telehea			
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