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UCare expands Individual & Family health plans
to a total of 77 Minnesota counties in 2021

Health plan also introduces new M Health Fairview Gold option

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 28, 2020 — In 2021, [MNsure](#) market leader [UCare](#) is adding 49 Minnesota counties to its [Individual & Family health plan](#) service area. The plans are expanding from 28 counties in 2020 to 77 counties in 2021 with the addition of 6 new rating areas. UCare is also launching a new M Health Fairview Gold Plan featuring the M Health Fairview network in 10 metropolitan area counties.



The nonprofit, community-based health plan currently has the largest market share of members who purchase individual and family coverage on MNsure, serving about 42,000 of those members. “We are excited to expand our MNsure offerings to more communities in northern and southern Minnesota,” said Ghita Worcester, UCare Senior Vice President of Public Affairs and Chief Marketing Officer. “Some outlying counties offer a limited choice of MNsure plans, and we look forward to enriching those offerings with our UCare Individual & Family health plans. We also want to offer affordable options for Minnesotans who don’t currently have coverage or have lost employer-based coverage because of Covid-19.”

Since MNsure’s inception, UCare has consistently offered high-value plans – lower premiums, generous benefits and a growing network including Allina Health, M Health Fairview and Park Nicollet. UCare’s network in greater Minnesota includes Avera, Gundersen, Sanford and other major regional systems.

In 2021, UCare’s premiums are increasing less than 2%, and the health plan continues to offer one of the lowest priced Bronze plans available. In 2020, UCare added Health Savings Accounts (HSAs) to the Individual & Family plan portfolio. And next year,

UCare's new M Health Fairview Gold plan will be the second lowest price Gold plan available through MNsure.

UCare is also enhancing services for Individual & Family plan members with diabetes. The cost of covered insulin will continue to be capped at \$25/month next year, and UCare is adding select non-insulin covered diabetes medications such as oral drugs to the monthly cap. (This enhanced coverage applies to plans with medication copays, not HSA or Core plans.)

About UCare

[UCare](#) is an independent, nonprofit health plan providing health care and administrative services to more than 500,000 members throughout Minnesota and parts of western Wisconsin. UCare partners with health care providers, counties, and community organizations to create and deliver Medicare, Medicaid and Individual & Family health plans. All of its plans are National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) accredited.

The health plan addresses health care disparities and care access issues through a broad array of community initiatives. UCare has received Top Workplaces honors from the Star Tribune for 11 consecutive years since the rankings began in 2010.

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