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Service Area Expansion for Minnesota Health Care Programs (MHCP)

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) is announcing a service area expansion for Minnesota Health Care Programs (MHCP) effective January 1, 2023. Blue Cross will be a new health plan choice in some counties for MHCP members eligible for coverage beginning January 1, 2023.

- **Blue Advantage Families and Children (F&C) is expanding to 18 new counties:** Beltrami, Big Stone, Clearwater, Douglas, Goodhue, Grant, Hubbard, Kanabec, McLeod, Meeker, Pipestone, Pope, Renville, Sibley, Steele, Stevens, Traverse and Waseca. F&C will be in 84 counties total with only Itasca, Ramsey and Scott counties excluded.
- **MinnesotaCare (MNCare) is expanding to 19 new counties:** Beltrami, Big Stone, Clearwater, Douglas, Goodhue, Grant, Hubbard, Itasca, Kanabec, McLeod, Meeker, Pipestone, Pope, Renville, Sibley, Steele, Stevens, Traverse and Waseca. MNCare will be in 85 counties total with only Ramsey and Scott counties excluded.
- **Minnesota Senior Care Plus (MSC+) and SecureBlue (MSHO) will be available in all 87 Minnesota Counties.**

The Minnesota Department of Human Services is mailing annual health plan selection notices to all members for coverage that will begin on January 1, 2023.

- Prospective members may ask if providers are in the Blue Plus provider network.
- Blue Plus offers an open access primary care network. Primary Care Clinics will not appear on the member's health plan identification card.
- For the first week of 2023, members will potentially not have received their ID card; please verify eligibility and health plan in MN-ITS.

Questions?

Please contact provider services at **1-866-518-8448**.