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## MEDIA RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

RE: Fairview, HealthEast & University of Minnesota Physicians  
Decertification from the Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Programs

As of April 1, 2018, Fairview Health Services, HealthEast, and the University of Minnesota Physicians are no longer considered in-network for Wisconsin Medicaid insurance plans. You will no longer be able to make an appointment if Wisconsin Medicaid is your only insurance. This includes:

- University of Minnesota Medical Center
- U of M Medical Center East Bank
- U of M Medical Center West Bank
- U of M Masonic Children's Hospital
- University of Minnesota Physicians
- U of M Health Clinic and Surgery Center

These providers *will* continue to accept Wisconsin Medicaid insurance:

All of the involved emergency departments, which are covered by the Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act (EMTALA)

- Fairview Pharmacy Services

### **For Those with Special Health Care Needs**

Fairview and the University of Minnesota Physicians worked out an agreement with Wisconsin Medicaid for patients with continuing special health care needs. According to Fairview, the U of M and Fairview would notify a Wisconsin Medicaid Care Management Team about these patients, and the WI Care Management Team would make case-by-case decisions to approve continued payment for care at Fairview/U of M.

If you are a member of a Wisconsin Medicaid/BadgerCare/SSI HMO, you may seek assistance by calling your HMO's Member Advocate or the HMO Ombudsman (1 800 760 0001). You may also call WI Medicaid Member Services (1 800 362 3002).

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