

**9505.0190 RECIPIENT CHOICE OF PROVIDER.**

Subject to the limitations in Minnesota Statutes, section 256B.69, and in parts 9505.2160 to 9505.2245, a recipient who requires a medically necessary health service may choose to use any provider located within Minnesota or within the recipient's local trade area. No provider other than a prepaid health plan shall require a recipient to use a health service that restricts a recipient's free choice of provider. A recipient who enrolls in a prepaid health plan that is a provider must use the prepaid health plan for the health services provided under the contract between the prepaid health plan and the department.

A recipient who requires a medically necessary health service that is not available within Minnesota or the recipient's local trade area shall obtain prior authorization of the health service.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 256B.04*

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