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# Medica Expands Insulin Cost Relief Program to Include North Dakota

#### **Alert**

Medica will expand its insulin cost relief program to include North Dakota. Starting January 1, 2020, all members of fully insured commercial groups headquartered in North Dakota and individual and family business (IFB) members in North Dakota will pay no more than \$25 for each 30-day supply of insulin. This enhancement will apply to all insulin covered by their plan. Medica **last week** introduced the insulin cost relief program for members in Minnesota.

"The cost of insulin poses a significant financial burden for many people. We're proud to expand this program to our North Dakota members to limit their financial burden," said John Naylor, Medica President and Chief Executive Officer. "It is another example of the actions Medica takes to address the health care issues our members and customers face."

Medica has a long history of providing personalized support to members through diabetes education and care management programs that focus on preventing and managing the disease in the most effective way possible. This program will offer more affordable access to insulin, the price of which manufacturers have been increasing at an unsustainable rate. More than 30 million Americans need the life-saving drug. According to a report from a working group at the American Diabetes Association (ADA), the list price of insulin has more than doubled in the last decade.

### **Action**

No action is required.

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