

2.1 of family medicine, general internal medicine, obstetrics, and gynecology or general
2.2 pediatrics; or (3) a health clinic that specializes in the areas specified in clause (2) and
2.3 utilizes a primary care team that includes physicians, physician assistants, or advanced
2.4 practice registered nurses.

2.5 (c) "Geographic rating areas" means the nine state-specific geographic rating areas
2.6 established for purposes of insurance rate pricing within the state.

2.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2019, and applies to any health
2.8 plan issued or renewed on or after that date.

2.9 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 256B.69, is amended by adding a subdivision to
2.10 read:

2.11 Subd. 51. **Primary care payment rates.** The commissioner shall ensure that managed
2.12 care organizations contracting with the commissioner under this section or section 256L.12
2.13 comply with section 62Q.679. For purposes of this subdivision and compliance with section
2.14 62Q.679, payment rates shall be the same for primary care providers located within each
2.15 service area the managed care organization contracts with the commissioner to provide
2.16 health coverage to enrollees.

2.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2019.