Fairview – University of Minnesota Telemedicine Network Provider Agreement

Dr. Sample Smith enters into this agreement with the University of Minnesota (University) for purpose participating in the Fairview University of Minnesota Telemedicine Network (FUMTN) to provide endocrinology services.

Dr. Smith agrees to:

- 1. conduct patient encounters over telemedicine with patients to the extent that provider time is available to do so.
- Provide the necessary credentialing information when requested by an originating site for the purpose of receiving telemedicine services.
- identify at least 30 days in advance Dr. Smith's availability for telemedicine encounters and accept those encounters assigned to Dr. Smith by the FUMTN from sites with which agreements for services exist during Dr. Smith's times of availability.
- 4. provide a summary of each encounter to the referring physician when a referral to telemedicine has taken place.
- 5. bill the patient's insurance company for your services when applicable in the manner required for a telemedicine consultations and resubmit those billings if they are initially rejected for any reason related to telemedicine.
- 6. accept reimbursement of \$75 per encounter from FUMTN for any encounter at project sites that has been billed to an insurance carrier and for which payment has been refused after resubmission because the service was delivered via telemedicine. Services provided at non-FUMTN sites are specifically excluded. Invoices for all such requested reimbursements are to be submitted to the University's subcontractor Fairview Health Services as the disburser of these funds.
- 7. meet with other patient site administrators at their request to discuss possibilities of providing endocrinology services to their sites.
- 8. Send a representative to meetings of the FUMTN if and when they occur.
- 9. Provide non-patient-specific data as required by the Office for the Advancement of Telehealth, the funding agency for the FUMTN network.

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- 10. Maintain a patient record for telemedicine encounters in accordance with medical standards of practice and in compliance with all laws regarding patient privacy, confidentiality, informed consent and record keeping.
- 11. This agreement may be cancelled 60 days after notification by either party.

FUMTN will

- 1. take responsibility for scheduling telemedicine encounters for patients.
- 2. exert its best efforts to work with the rural sites to provide patients to fill Dr. Smith's available provider hours.
- 3. provide technical support to assist with its videoconferencing equipment and telecommunications problems.
- 4. provide consulting assistance regarding billing procedures and practices for telemedicine where needed and requested.
- 5. consider termination of this agreement under Item 10 above if Dr. Smith does not provide for any period of 60 consecutive days any services to sites with which it has agreements and who request such services for specific patients.
- 6. accept no malpractice liability for medical care delivered over the network. Such liability is the responsibility of Dr. Sample Smith (the provider).

Stuart M. Speedie, PhD Date Principal Investigator Fairview – University of Minnesota Telemedicine Network Dr. Sample Smith

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