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Cloquet is site of Sept. 19-23 visit by UCare's Mobile Dental Clinic to offer dental care to UCare members

UCare members can receive dental exams, cleanings, and fluoride treatments aboard "dentist's office on wheels" all week

WHEN: Monday – Friday, Sept. 19-23, 2011

**WHERE: Carlton County Public Health and Human Services
14 N 11th St.
Cloquet, MN 55720
(218) 879-4511 or (218) 879-4583**

DETAILS: UCare's Mobile Dental Clinic is a fully equipped 43-foot vehicle – a "dentist's office on wheels" – that brings quality dental care to UCare members in Minnesota who have limited access to dental services.



UCare is partnering with Carlton County Public Health and Human Services to serve UCare members in the area who need quality dental care.

Dental students from the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry will treat patients under faculty supervision, providing dental exams, cleanings, and fluoride treatments at no cost to UCare members with appointments.

Member appointment line: **1-866-451-1555**, toll-free.

UCare first introduced a mobile dental clinic in Minnesota in August 2002 through a partnership between UCare and the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry. UCare is the first health plan in Minnesota to own and operate a mobile dental clinic.

ELIGIBILITY: Patients must be members of UCare's programs.

SPOKESPEOPLE: Contact Deanne Probst, UCare, at 612-676-3630, for interview needs.

BACKGROUND: UCare (www.ucare.org) is an independent, nonprofit health plan providing health care and administrative services to more than 225,000 members. UCare partners with health care providers, counties, and community organizations to create and deliver innovative health coverage products for:

- Individuals and families enrolled in income-based Minnesota Health Care Programs, such as MinnesotaCare and Prepaid Medical Assistance Program.
- Adults with disabilities and Medicare beneficiaries with chronic health conditions.
- Minnesotans dually eligible for Medical Assistance and Medicare.
- Medicare-eligible individuals throughout Minnesota and in western Wisconsin.

UCare addresses health care disparities and care access issues through its UCare Fund grants and a broad array of community initiatives, such as the Mobile Dental Clinic.

The University of Minnesota School of Dentistry

(www.dentistry.umn.edu),

The University of Minnesota School of Dentistry, the state's only dental school, improves oral and craniofacial health by educating clinicians and scientists who translate knowledge and experience into clinical practice.

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