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The Planned Parenthood Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota (PPMNS) governance structure is the result of a reorganization of PPMNS intended to facilitate its expansion of services into additional states, beginning with the affiliation with Planned Parenthood of the Heartland (PPH) (Iowa and Nebraska) effective January 1, 2019. The large community board that previously governed PPMNS has transitioned as of July 1, 2018 to become the Board of Directors of a new Planned Parenthood affiliate, Planned Parenthood North Central States (PPNCS). PPMNS is now a wholly-controlled subsidiary and ancillary organization of PPNCS and, as such, has adopted a streamlined board structure.

The PPNCS Board has the authority to appoint all members of the PPMNS Board and thus, PPMNS is accountable to PPNCS and its community board for all its operations.