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ABC for Health Celebrates 15 Years

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Educate & Celebrate!

The staff and students at ABC for Health invite you to celebrate ABC for Health's 15 Years of advocacy and benefits counseling for children and families. This is an opportunity for us to say "thank you" to our community for helping us to continue our mission of helping families and patients to get health care coverage and services.

Join us Thursday, October 22: Best Western Inn on the Park, Top of the Park Ballroom, 22 S. Carroll St. Madison, WI.

3:00-4:30pm Health Reform Lecture "Wisconsin and Health Care Reform: Perspectives from Regulators, Policymakers and Advocates," featuring Department of Health Services Secretary Karen Timberlake, Commissioner of Insurance Sean Dilweg, State Senator Mark Miller, Representative Donna Seidel, and ABC for

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Recent HealthWatch WatchDog Episodes:**Season 2:**

Episode 13: [BadgerCare Plus Core Plan and Health Care Reform](#)

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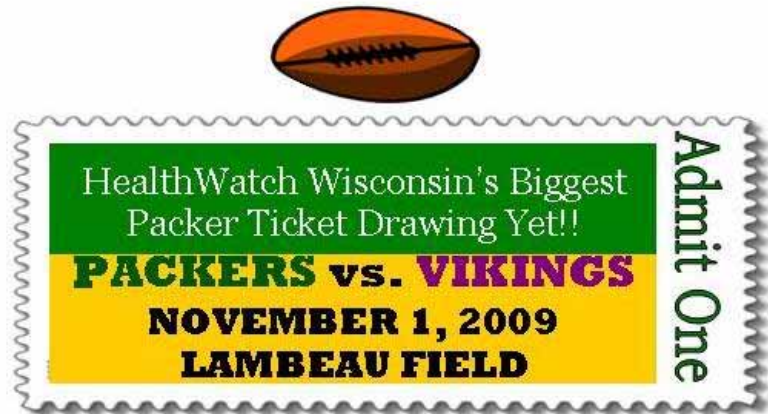
Episode 9: [Health Reform: Patient Advocacy](#)

Health's Bobby Peterson.

4:30-7:00pm Gala Celebration Enjoy music, hors d'ourves, and chances to win special items

Ticket Price: \$35 per person

Registration: Register [online](#) or download the [registration form](#).

Packers vs. Vikings - You Could Be There!

Members of HealthWatch Wisconsin will have a chance to win a pair of deluxe, indoor club seat tickets to the Packers vs. Vikings game at Lambeau Field, Nov. 1! Register for HealthWatch by 11:59pm, October 21 to be included in the drawing, if you will not be at the Gala in person. [Click Here](#) to Register Now for HealthWatch! There will be a chance to register, in person, at the Gala on October 22. Please visit the "HealthWatch Wisconsin Exhibit Table."

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We are grateful to many local businesses who have supplied prizes for the evening! You could leave the gala with one of these delightful door prizes:

Episode 8: [Fact or Fiction](#)

HealthWatch WatchDog episodes are now available to everyone who receives the HealthWatch Wisconsin Update! **Watch all other episodes at www.healthwatchwisconsin.org. Just click on "HW WatchDog" from the menu on the left.**

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- Two Hours at the Kneaded Relief Day Spa
- An Evening at the Overture Center!
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- Community Pharmacy
- Mallards Baseball Tickets!
- ...and More!

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Time is Running Out: Nominees Sought for Health Watch Awards

Let the celebrating continue! Health Watch Wisconsin is seeking nominees for its First Annual Health Watch Awards, to be delivered at the Third Annual Health Watch Wisconsin Conference in February 2010. The Council seeks to recognize outstanding work in healthcare advocacy and service in the following categories:

- Advocate of the Year
- Legislator of the Year
- Outstanding Media Coverage Award
- Outstanding Outreach Efforts Award

To nominate someone for an award, send your name and workplace, the nominee's name and workplace, and why you think the nominee deserves to be recognized, in 200 words or less, to bmcbride@safetyweb.org by October 21, 2009 at 11:59 PM.

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