# **Useful Resources for Families**

Individuals applying for BadgerCare Plus may also be eligible for other social supports—such as assistance buying food or paying heating bills. Below we have highlighted some useful resources for low income families and individuals!

#### Food Assistance

- The Wisconsin FoodShare program helps eligible low-income families and individuals buy food. You can apply for FoodShare and BadgerCare Plus at the same time!
- For information on program and how to apply visit <a href="www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/foodshare/">www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/foodshare/</a> or call 1-800-362-3002.

#### **Health and Nutrition**

- The "Women, Infant & Children Program" (WIC) promotes and maintains the health and well being of nutritionally at-risk pregnant, breast feeding and postpartum women, infants and children. WIC provides nutritious food, nutrition and breast feeding information, and referrals to other health & nutrition services.
- For info on program and how to apply visit <u>www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/wic/</u> or call 1-800-722-2295 (Maternal and Child Health Hotline) and ask about getting connected to WIC in your area.

# **Help With Prescription Drugs**

- NeedyMeds Connects low income families and individuals with programs that can provide discounts on the cost of prescription drugs. Provides a Drug Discount Card to be used in the place of insurance for individuals without insurance.
- For info visit www.needymeds.org or call 1-800-503-6897.



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## **Transportation to Medical Appointments**

- Non-Emergency Medicaid Transportation is available for people enrolled in BadgerCare Plus if they don't have a way to get to appointments. The rides are managed through the company "MTM, Inc."
- To schedule a ride call **1-866-907-1493**. It's recommended to call at least two business days in advance of an appointment. You can also visit **www.mtm-inc.net/wisconsin/.**

### Energy Assistance

- The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) provides assistance for heating costs, electric costs, and energy crisis situations during cold winter months.
- For more info on program and how to apply visit <u>www.homeenergyplus.wi.gov</u> or call 1-866-432-8947.

# **Vocational Rehabilitation/Job Training**

- There are employment services and counseling for people with disabilities to help them obtain, maintain and improve employment options.
- For more info visit dwd.wisconsin.gov/dvr/ or call 1-800-442-3477.

# Free or Discounted Phone Services

- The Lifeline and Linkup programs provide free or discounted telecommunications services to low-income families enrolled in programs like BadgerCare Plus.
- Makes essential telecommunications more affordable for low income households by reducing monthly telephone charges or connection fees.
- Ask your local telephone company provider for an application
- For more info visit:

psc.wi.gov/thelibrary/publications/asstPgms/telecom21.pdf

