

Dept. of Health Services: \$12 Million in grant funding Awarded to Wisconsin home and community-based services professionals

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First wave of awards will bring innovation and enhancement to the state's direct care workforce

Today, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) awarded \$12 million to 43 organizations that will focus on improving home and community-based services for people who are elderly or have disabilities. Awards will reach all 72 counties. The initial wave of awardees, whose projects aim to improve and expand the direct care workforce in Wisconsin, are the first to receive this [grant funding](#) made possible by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

“These grants provide immediate support to our direct care workers who work tirelessly to ensure some of our most vulnerable residents have the services and supports they need to live independently in their communities,” said DHS Secretary-designee Karen Timberlake. “We are proud to support the work of the organizations receiving these funds in their efforts to ensure quality care that will help strengthen our community-based programs.”

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