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PRESS RELEASE

Wisconsin Breast Cancer Coalition Completes WWWP Survey:

Staff at the Wisconsin Breast Cancer Coalition completed a survey of all 14 Wisconsin Well Women Program Coordinators in Wisconsin. In a letter to the Department of Health Services, the WBCC outlined the survey results, which point to ongoing problems with the WWWP. The WBCC also reached out to partners in advocacy in order to give them the opportunity to express their shared concerns for the women served by this program.

Our organization's aim is to make sure that women throughout our state have access to the potentially lifesaving screenings that the WWWP is tasked with providing. The WBCC and others have made repeated attempts to get up-to-date information regarding the status of the WWWP, in order to ensure that all women in Wisconsin are getting the access to the care they need.

Data from this survey was collected by surveying all 14 WWWP coordinators in Wisconsin.

- ➤ 64% of coordinators mentioned issues with billing. This included women receiving bills when they shouldn't, and bills going into collection
- > 54% of coordinators are serving a county that has zero providers
- > 71% of coordinators would support increasing the provider network to serve more women
- ➤ 64% of coordinators believe the women they serve have been negatively impacted by the program changes
- > 71% of coordinators want more statewide outreach, or more resources to do outreach
- > 36% of coordinators have observed women dropping out of the program for reasons other than BadgerCare and ACA expansion
- And finally, 36% of coordinators observed women re-enrolling in the program due to an increase in ACA premiums

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Survey Information:

All 14 WWWP Coordinators participated in the surveys conducted by the WBCC. Percentages were calculated by the number of respondents who answered "Yes" divided by the total number of coordinators. The only exception is the data regarding coordinators serving a county without a provider, in order to account for the fact that Milwaukee County is served by two coordinators.