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**BARRON COUNTY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT
PASSES REVIEW BY STATE HEALTH OFFICIALS**

MADISON—Dr. Seth Foldy, State Health Officer, today announced that the Barron County Health and Human Services Department has successfully passed the state’s health department review. As a result, the Barron County Health and Human Services Department will maintain their Level II status.

“The hard-working staff of the Barron County Health and Human Services Department help make their community a healthier and safer place to live,” said Foldy. “Their department has an actively engaged and supportive Board of Health and Human Services, and does an excellent job of providing essential public health services to residents in Barron County.

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services is required to formally review the operations of all 92 Wisconsin local health departments at the county or municipality level at least every five years. The review establishes the health department as a level I, II or III agency. A level I agency meets the minimum requirements and a level III agency meets the maximum requirements established for a local health department.

The Barron County Health and Human Services Department provides services important to the community, such as:

- Communicable disease surveillance, prevention and control.
- Environmental health hazard prevention and control.
- Collaboration to impact alcohol misuse.

For information about the Barron County Health and Human Services Department, visit:

<http://www.barroncountywi.gov/>

For contact information for Wisconsin’s local health departments, visit:

<http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/localhealth/>

For information about the state health plan, *Healthiest Wisconsin 2010 or 2020*, visit:

<http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/statehealthplan/index.htm>

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