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**You Are Invited to Take Part in an In-Person Survey
With the Wisconsin Department of Health Services**

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) is surveying people with intellectual or developmental disabilities about their quality of life. DHS is doing this survey to learn more about how to help people in Wisconsin who are getting long-term care. The survey information will be used to improve services and better understand people's needs.

This survey is part of a national project called National Core Indicators. To learn more about the National Core Indicators project, please visit the website here:

<https://www.nationalcoreindicators.org/>

DHS has contracted with Vital Research, an independent research organization, to do the survey. The survey is optional and will take between 30–45 minutes. All your survey answers will be kept confidential and secure. Your survey answers will not change the services you are getting now or may get in the future.

Vital Research will call you between October 2018 and May 2019 to talk to you about the survey and schedule a time to meet in person, if you choose to take part. You can pick the time and place of the survey. Your guardian or power of attorney, if you have one, may be there during the survey. If you need a translator or if your contact information has changed, please call Erin Der-McLeod at Vital Research toll free 888-848-2555.

If you are a guardian or power of attorney getting this letter, please share the letter with the person selected to take part in the survey. If you are getting this letter in place of a guardian or power of attorney, please share this letter with them. You, your guardian, or your power of attorney may also ask for your care staff to be there during the survey if you want to include them. The project ends June 30, 2019.

If you have questions for DHS about the National Core Indicators project, you can contact Michelle Osness by phone at 608-266-3541 or by email at michellem.osness@dhs.wisconsin.gov.

Thank you for your time and for considering sharing your experiences. Together, we can make sure that quality supports and services are available in Wisconsin.

Sincerely,

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