



Date: March 31, 2026

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Department of Health Services**  
***Peer Recovery Services State Plan Amendment (26-0012)***

The State of Wisconsin reimburses providers for services provided to Medical Assistance recipients under the authority of Title XIX of the Social Security Act and ss. 49.43 to 49.47, Wisconsin Statutes. This program, administered by the State's Department of Health Services (the Department), is called Medical Assistance (MA) or Medicaid. In addition, Wisconsin has expanded this program to create the BadgerCare Plus programs under the authority of Title XIX and Title XXI of the Social Security Act and s. 49.471 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Federal statutes and regulations require that a state plan be developed that provides the methods and standards for reimbursement of covered services. A plan that describes the reimbursement system for the services (methods and standards for reimbursement) is in effect.

This SPA adds coverage for peer recovery support services, which will be available in newly certified overdose treatment provider agencies as well as within existing Medicaid-enrolled behavioral health agencies.

Peer recovery support is a non-clinical service provided to individuals seeking help establishing or maintaining their recovery from mental illness or substance use disorder. The service is provided by trained individuals with lived experience and in stable recovery. PRCs offer informational, emotional, social, and practical support under the supervision of a competent mental health professional and in accordance with the individual's treatment plan. Peer recovery supports do not duplicate or replace clinical treatment or case management; the services are rendered as a complementary component to an overall behavioral health treatment plan.

The change will be effective April 1, 2026, and will apply to claims with dates of service on or after that date. The change to Medicaid, BadgerCare, and BadgerCare Plus is projected to result in increased annual expenditures of \$1,282,175.03 all funds (AF), composed of \$743,905.91 federal match (FED) and \$458,269.12 state funds/general purpose revenue (GPR), effective April 1, 2026.

**Copies of Changes**

Copies of the state plan amendment may be obtained free of charge by calling or writing:

Mail:  
SPA and Administrative Rules Coordinator  
Administrators' Office  
Division of Medicaid Services  
P.O. Box 309  
Madison, WI 53701-0309

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Copies of the state plan change will be made available for review at the main office of any county department of social services or human services.

**Written Comments**

Written comments are welcome. Written comments on the proposed changes may be sent by FAX, e-mail, or regular mail to the Division of Medicaid Services as described above. All written comments will be reviewed and considered.

The written comments will be available for public review between the hours of 7:45 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. daily in the State Office Building, 201 East Washington Ave, Madison, Wisconsin. Revisions may be made in the proposed change based on comments received.



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