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**We support  
people in  
achieving  
their full  
potential.**

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Central Wisconsin  
Center mission  
statement

## What we offer

- Dental services
- Education
- Laboratory
- Medical services
- Music therapy
- Nursing services
- Nutrition services
- Occupational therapy
- Pharmacy
- Physical therapy
- Psychiatry
- Psychology
- Respiratory therapy
- Social services
- Speech/language therapy
- Therapeutic recreation
- Vocational therapy
- X-ray services

## Contact us

Call 608-301-9232 to learn more  
about the admissions process.

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# Medical Short-Term Care



## About us

We are a 24/7 inpatient program that provides interdisciplinary care for people with intellectual disabilities and complex medical needs.

We provide an evaluation and create an individualized treatment plan that supports the individual, their family, and their community team to achieve their functional goals. Our experts provide education to support individuals as they transition back to the community.

People in our program gain socialization skills and community integration opportunities through music therapy and therapeutic recreation.

School-aged clients receive individualized education services through our on-site Cardinal School, which is accredited by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

## Eligibility

The Medical Short-Term Care Unit serves Wisconsin residents of all ages.

Clients must have a diagnosis of intellectual disability.

Admissions must be approved by the client's county of residence or their managed care organization.

## We can help!

We offer comprehensive, holistic, and creative care for unique individuals in one convenient location.

- Evaluation and recommendations to support improved care for individuals, their families, and their community teams
- Specialized approaches for daily cares and activities to accommodate sensory and physical needs
- Training for family or community teams in enteral feedings, medication administration, handling, transfers, mealtime, cares, communication, and more
- Functional assessment and treatment recommendations for maladaptive behaviors
- Functional communication assessments
- Assessment following significant status changes
- Post-surgical care
- Wound healing and prevention, including pressure relief management and vacuum-assisted closure therapy
- Medication weans or changes and IV therapy
- Assessment and treatment for oral motor and swallowing skills
- Respiratory management and treatment, including pulse oximetry studies, tracheostomy management, and BiPAP/CPAP
- Dental assessment, treatment, consult, and recommendations
- Nutrition evaluation, including diet changes, weight status, and vitamin and mineral supplementation
- Rehabilitation with flexible frequency/intensity to match individual tolerance and need
- Toilet training and behavioral approaches to improve sleep
- Augmentative/Alternative Communication (AAC) device evaluations and trials using all access methods
- Adapted equipment, including custom wheelchair seating and upper extremity splints
- Guided transitions between community living settings
- Supported transition back to home after a newly acquired disability (including brain injury)