Pay Attention to Family Care and IRIS

Ask: There is a lot at stake for 60,000 people in Family Care and IRIS. Legislators must have an ongoing and active role overseeing the redesigned long term care system.

Transportation

Long-Term Care

Help People Get Where they Need to Go Coordinate Transportation!

Under current system, different programs fund different trips requiring each program to pay for a round trip.



With coordination between Medical Transportation and other transportation programs, rides can be combined making trips easier for the user and less expensive for both programs.

Ask: Support coordinating the transportation resources and options that are available right now which will give people more access to transportation and save money.

Fix Medical Assistance Purchase Plan (MAPP): People Should Not Have to Choose Between HealthCare and Work

Health Care

When asked why they aren't working or can't increase their hours, 41% of people with disabilities say they are afraid of losing benefits.



MAPP allows people with disabilities to work without losing access to the Medicaid healthcare they need. Much like a typical insurance plan, MAPP participants pay a premium to "buy-in" to the Medicaid program. However, because of problems with MAPP some people are paying more for a premium than they earn at their job. Many people have to turn down work or can't increase their hours.

Ask: Fix the MAPP program to remove disincentives to work, such as treating earned and unearned income the same for purposes of determining how much someone will pay for a premium.

Supporting Families

End the Wait for Children and Families

Families who have a child with significant disabilities are more likely to live in poverty and experience financial hardship and stress than other families. Yet in WI over 1 in 3 eligible children and families are waiting for services that help them live at home and be part of their communities.

Children and families are waiting for critical supports.



36% of eligible children are awaiting services, while 64% are receiving them.

Ask: End the wait for families. End the wait for children. Increase funding for children's long term supports.

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