

Community Resource Guide



CHIPPEWA COUNTY

Human Services

Empowering people to help themselves.



Prenatal – 21 Years

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AODA – ALCOHOL & OTHER DRUG ABUSE

ACCESS, Inc. (Aurora Community Counseling and Employee Support Services, Inc.)

406 Technology Dr. East
Menomonie, WI 54751
715-235-1839 or 1-888-261-5585

Website: <http://www.auroraservices.com>

Service Area: Northwest Wisconsin including: Barron, Chippewa, Dunn, Eau Claire, Rusk, St. Croix and Taylor Counties. Branch offices are also located in Ladysmith, Menomonie, Siren, and Spooner

Fees/Payment Options: Private Pay, private insurance, Medicaid, Medicare

Overview: ACCESS Center is a state certified outpatient mental health clinic offering individual, couple, family, and group therapy for a variety of concerns. AODA counseling is available to assist individuals and families dealing with substance abuse and dependency, and includes treating other addictions such as emotional eating, overspending, perfectionism, “workaholism”, and pornography issues.

AIT – Addiction Intervention Team – Lutheran Social Services

3136 Craig Road
Eau Claire, WI 54701
715-834-2046

Service Area: Western Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: free service

Overview: Trained laypersons will meet with families concerned about a loved one’s drinking, drug use, or gambling. Services will be explained and if the family wants, an intervention will be completed. Arrangements or suggestions for treatment options are also available. Sponsored by Lutheran Social Services.

Alanon

Trinity Methodist Church
201 W. Central St
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
715-723-2806

Service Area: Chippewa County and surrounding communities

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Non-profit confidential support program for person’s coping with a loved one’s addiction to alcohol.

Alcoholics Anonymous

202 Graham Ave.
Eau Claire, WI 54701
715-832-3234

Website: <http://www.aainwestwis.org>

(For local alcoholics anonymous meeting places and times please refer to this website.)

Service Area: Not limited to geographic location

Fees/Payment Options: none

Overview: Program is non-profit and not affiliated with any organization or institution. When entering the building on 202 Graham Ave., the meeting is held just inside the front door and past the desk to the left. The building is handicap accessible.

Chippewa Area Recovery Services (CARR)

127 West Central Street
 Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
 715-726-9023

Email: margaret.behnke@lsswis.org

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: Sliding fee/no fee, private pay, private insurance, Medicaid, Medicare

Overview: Provides a range of outpatient alcohol & other drug abuse treatment services, including assessment, intensive outpatient treatment, IDIP treatment services, and continuing care.

Chippewa County Department of Human Services Community Mental Health and Recovery Services

Chippewa County Courthouse
 711 N Bridge St., Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
 715-726-7788

Crisis Line: 1-888-552-6642

Website: www.co.chippewa.wi.us

Overview: Chippewa County DHS is HFS34, Level III certified as an Emergency Mental Health Service Program which provides a coordinated system of mental health services with an immediate response to assist a person experiencing a mental health crisis. Coordination with law enforcement, local hospitals, and care providers is an essential part of this program. CMHRS also offers a Community Support Program, alcohol and other drug abuse services and outpatient mental health services.

Community Counseling

16947 County Highway X, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729-8058
 715-723-1221

Fees/Payment Options: private insurance, does not accept Medical Assistance/BadgerCare

Overview: Alcoholism Treatment Program, drunk driving assessments, drug and alcohol intervention.

Fahrman Center

3136 Craig Road, Eau Claire, WI 54701
 715-835-9110

Service Area: West-Central Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: county contracts \$129/day, primary \$180/day, \$66/day extended treatment. Private insurance may be accepted.

Overview: 24 bed co-ed facility, 21 day primary treatment program for addictions, 30m180 day extended treatment program for addictions and/or correctional issues. Sponsored by Lutheran Social Services.

First Things First Counseling

2125 Heights Drive
 Eau Claire, WI 54701
 715-832-8432

Service Area: Not limited to geographic location.

Fees/Payment Options: Insurance, private pay, Medical Assistance/Badgercare

Website: <http://firstthingsfirstcounseling.com/>

Overview: First Things First Counseling is fully licensed by the state of Wisconsin to provide outpatient mental health and alcohol / addiction services. Services include but are not limited to marriage and family counseling, alcohol addiction and gambling services, anger problems, psychological services, domestic abuse, and non-traditional relationships counseling.

L.E. Phillips Libertas Center

2661 County Hwy. I

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-723-5585 or 1-800-680-4578

Website: <http://www.libertascenter.org/home.phtml>

Fees/Payment Options: Medicare, BadgerCare/Medical Assistance, commercial insurance, County funding (with prior authorization) or private pay arrangements can be made with a credit counselor.

Overview: Provides medically managed detox treatment, medically managed inpatient treatment, medically monitored treatment for adults, outpatient AODA treatment, and outpatient mental health counseling for adolescents through adults. Please call to set up an outpatient appointment or to talk to a nurse for referral to inpatient.

Omne Clinic

2005 Highland Avenue

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-832-5454 or 1-800-847-2144

Website: <http://www.omneclinic.com>

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts private insurance and Medical Assistance/BadgerCare

Overview: Omne Clinic, Inc. provides comprehensive AODA services for adults and adolescents. Experienced, certified counselors provide various assessment and treatment programs.

Prime For Life®

Arbor Place

320 21st St N

Menomonie, WI 54751

715-235-4537

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: No fee or sliding fee services

Overview: Designed to help young people reduce their risk for alcohol and drug related problems through-out their life. The program uses a nonjudgmental approach and information presented is based on research findings rather than opinion, exaggeration, or scare tactics. It works by guiding participants through activities that aim to focus on protecting what is important in their lives and emphasizing positive choices.

Women's Way AODA Program – Lutheran Social Services

122 South Barstow Street

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-855-6181

Service Area: Chippewa and Eau Claire Counties

Fees/Payment Options: no fees for service

Overview: Program utilizes natural community supports to assist women in achieving sobriety, self-sufficiency, and reduction in criminal involvement. Utilizes wrap-around philosophy to coordinate services and provides a central point of contact. Program is intersystem family-centered and strength based, operates on a team approach, and focuses on consumer involvement, learning and employment.

127 W Central St

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-723-2241

ADOPTION

Catholic Charities

448 N. Dewey Street
Eau Claire, WI 54702
715-832-6644

Website: <http://www.catholiccharitieslax.org/eaucnaire.php>

Fees/Payment Options: fee for service

Overview: Catholic Charities builds families through adoption. They are a state licensed child-placing agency who serves people of all faiths and beliefs. They offer birth parent counseling, domestic infant adoption services, international adoption services, step parent and adoptive parent home studies, and operate a post adoption resource center.

Lutheran Social Services

1320 Clairemont Ave.
Eau Claire, WI 54701
715-833-0992

Website: <http://lsswis.org/>

Fees/Payment Options: fee for service

Overview: LSS finds forever families for children of all ages, faiths and backgrounds. They have a domestic adoption program to assist adoptive families in their efforts to build their family through adoption. LSS also has a role with the State of Wisconsin's Special Needs Adoption Program. This partnership has assisted in obtaining permanency for Wisconsin's waiting children since the year 2000. LSS has international child welfare relationships in different regions of the world. Currently this includes Russia, Mongolia and the Philippines. LSS also works in conjunction with other placing agencies to find appropriate families for children from other parts of the world who are in need of permanent families.

Private adoption agencies can assist in finding permanent homes for children with special needs and assist in both international and domestic adoptions.

ADOPTION – SPECIAL NEEDS

Department of Children and Families - Division of Safety and Permanence

610 Gibson Street
Eau Claire, WI 54701
715-836-2174

Website: http://www.dcf.wi.gov/foster_care_and_adoption.htm

Fees/Payment Options: free for qualified adoptions

Overview: Adoption staff from the Division of Safety and Permanence (DSP), as well as child placing agencies, place children with special care needs, children of a minority race, sibling groups, children at risk of developing special care needs. In addition, DSP and child placing agency staff conduct foster parent and step-parent and relative adoptions. County social/human services staff may also conduct stepparent adoption home studies.

Foster Care and Adoption Resource Center

4330 Golf Terrace # 204
Eau Claire, WI 54701

Website: <http://www.wifostercareandadoption.org>

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: The foster care and adoption resource center offers a wide variety of helpful resources for existing or prospective foster and adoptive families, public, tribal and private agency foster care, child welfare and adoption staff, and youth currently or previous involved with the foster care system.

BENEFITS – HEALTH & FINANCIAL

BadgerCare Plan

Economic Support

711 North Bridge Street Room #305

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7840

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible families

Website: <http://www.badgercareplus.org> or <http://www.access.wi.gov>

Overview: BadgerCare Plus helps families stay healthy. BadgerCare Plus can provide health insurance to families, pregnant women and children from birth to age 19. The plan you're enrolled in depends on your family's income. Some plans will have deductibles, premiums and copayments.

BadgerCare Plus Basic Plan

Chippewa County Public Health

711 North Bridge Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7908, ext. 2132

Toll Free: 1-800-400-3678, ext. 2132

Contact: Rose Marsh

Website: <http://www.access.wi.gov>

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible families; \$130.00 monthly premium plus co pays

Overview: An optional limited benefit health care plan for individuals (adults) who are on the Core Plan waitlist.

Chippewa County Job Center

770 Scheidler Road, #2

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-723-2248

Voice mail: 715-720-2840

TTY: 715-723-1381

Fax: 715-723-2275

Website: <http://www.workforceresource.org/chippewa.html>

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Chippewa County Job Center offers education in a variety of basic courses. Individuals can obtain their High School Equivalency Diploma or GED through the Center. Other areas of education include Career Planning, Resume Writing, Computer Awareness, Keyboarding, Basic English, Grammar, and Writing, Reading Comprehension, Vocabulary, Spelling, Basic Math, and Skill Preparation for College or Employment.

Family Planning Waiver

Economic Support

711 North Bridge Street Room #305

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7840

Toll Free: For a phone interview call 1-800-291-2002.

Website: <http://www.access.wi.gov>

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible families

Overview: The Family Planning Waiver Plan provides family planning services to males and females between the ages of 15 through 44. The primary purpose of this program is to prevent unplanned pregnancies. The covered services are limited to family planning and related services like the testing and treatment of sexually transmitted diseases/infections (STDs/STIs). Apply at Economic Support if you have children or are determined disabled. Apply online if you don't have children or are not determined disabled. For a phone interview call the toll-free phone number.

Food Share (Food Stamps)

711 North Bridge Street Room #305

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7840

Toll Free: For a phone interview call 1-800-291-2002.

Website: <http://www.badgercareplus.org> or <http://www.access.wi.gov>

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible families

Overview: FoodShare helps people with limited money buy the food they need for good health. You must be income eligible. Call or go online to see if you meet the program requirements.

Free/reduced cost school meals

Contact: your local School District Office for an application.

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible families

Overview: All schools have a free/reduced cost meal program for children. Families on Food Share, BadgerCare, or medical assistance are eligible. ALL families need to complete an application.

Katie Beckett Program

CESA 11

931 Yorkshire Ave

Rice Lake, WI. 54868

715-736-0514

Website: <http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/bdds/kbp/>

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible families

Overview: The Katie Beckett Program is a program with a special eligibility process that allows certain children who are residents of Wisconsin with long-term disabilities or complex medical needs, living at home with their families, to obtain a Wisconsin Medicaid card. The application process requires both a disability determination from Social Security and a high level of physical care to be eligible for the Katie Beckett Program. Parents, whose incomes are too high for SSI eligibility, may consider applying if their child has complex health care needs.

Medicaid Reimbursement (for medical mileage, meals and lodging)

Chippewa County Economic Support
711 N. Bridge Street, Room #305
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
715-726-7840

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible families

Overview: Medicaid recipients can be reimbursement for mileage for medical appointments. The process requires a prior authorization of planned appointments, and a signed mileage form from the medical provider that verifies the trip. Lodging and Meals can be paid at the Medicaid rate for medical care and appointments that are out of the county and require an overnight stay. Stop in or call to request the paperwork for medical mileage reimbursement **before** the appointment.

Safelink Wireless

Attn: Executive Resolution Department
9700 N.W. 112th Ave
Miami, FL 33178
1-800-safelink

1-800-378-1684 (technical support only)

Website: <https://www.safelinkwireless.com/Safelink/>

Office Hours: Monday –Saturday 7:00am to 9:00pm; Sunday 7:00am – 6:00pm

Fees/Payment Options: Free cell phone service

Overview: Through SafeLink Wireless' Lifeline Service you can receive a FREE SafeLink Wireless phone and three different plans to choose from with FREE Monthly minutes. One qualifies Lifeline service if you already participate in one of the following assistance programs: Badger Care, Food Stamps, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Medical Assistance (MA), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), WI Homestead Tax Credit (Schedule H), Wisconsin Works (W2) OR Your total household income is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG).

Supplemental Security Income – SSI

Social Security Administration- for general information and services
4120 Oakwood Hills Pkwy
Eau Claire, WI 54701
Local: 1-866-815-2924
Toll Free: 1-800-772-1213

Website: <http://www.ssa.gov> (includes online applications)

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible individuals as determined by the Social Security Administration

Overview: SSI is a needs-based program, so eligibility is based on an adult disability determination along with a consideration of income and assets. Once an individual is 18 years old, the social security administration will consider only that person's income and assets, even if they are still living at home with their parents. Disability determination for adults is different for adults than for children because it is based on the individual's medical disability and their ability to work. If an adult is found eligible for SSI, then they are eligible automatically for Medicaid in Wisconsin. The application cannot be submitted before the month of the individual's 18th birthday, but the application process can be begun earlier on line at: <http://www.ssa.gov>. If additional information is needed, it is possible to stop at any point and save it using a *re-entry number* so that the application process can be continued at a later date.

Wisconsin's Caretaker Supplement

Economic Support office
 711 North Bridge Street, Room #305
 Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
 715-726-7840

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible individuals

Overview: Wisconsin's Caretaker Supplement (CTS) is a cash benefit available to parents who are eligible for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments. Caretaker Supplement is not a Medicaid benefit; it pays cash only to eligible parents. Caretaker Supplement benefits are \$250 per month for the first eligible child and \$150 per month for each additional eligible child.

Wisconsin Department of Children and Families

201 E. Washington Ave (second floor)
 PO Box 8916
 Madison, WI 53708-8916
 608-267-3905
 Fax: 608-266-6836

Email: dcfweb@wisconsin.gov

Website: <http://dcf.wisconsin.gov/default.htm>

Overview: The mission of the Department of Children and Families is to promote the economic and social well-being of Wisconsin's children and families. The website includes information on finding childcare, reporting child care fraud, becoming a foster parent, Kinship care, and reporting child abuse. The Department of Children and Families has created a rating system for child care services called YoungStar (<http://dcf.wisconsin.gov/youngstar/default.htm>). This program was created to improve the quality of child care for Wisconsin children by evaluating and rating the quality of care given by child care providers to help parents choose the best child care for their kids, support providers with tools and training to deliver high-quality early care, and to set a consistent standard for child care quality.

Wisconsin Funeral and Cemetery Aids Program (WFCAP)

Economic Support office
 711 North Bridge Street, Room #305
 Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
 715-726-7840

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible individuals

Overview: Under the Wisconsin Funeral and Cemetery Aids Program, certain public assistance recipients may be eligible to have their cemetery and funeral expenses paid for by their local county or tribal agency if the recipient's estate does not have sufficient resources to cover these costs.

Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance

Economic Support

711 North Bridge Street Room #305

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7840

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible individuals

Overview: The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) provides assistance for heating costs, electric costs, and energy crisis situations. Operating with federal and state funding, the program provides assistance to approximately 170,000 Wisconsin households annually. Most types of fuel are eligible to receive assistance. Whether you use wood, propane, natural gas, electricity, or fuel oil to heat your home, energy assistance is available if you qualify.

Wisconsin Shares (Childcare)

Economic Support

711 North Bridge Street Room #305

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7840

Website: <http://dcf.wisconsin.gov/childcare/wishares/default.htm>

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible individuals

Overview: The Wisconsin Shares Child Care Subsidy Program provides financial childcare assistance to low-income parents who are working or preparing to enter the workforce.

Wisconsin Works (W-2)

Chippewa County Job Center

770 Scheidler Road

Suite #2

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-723-2248

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible individuals

Overview: Cash assistance program for people who have children under 19 living in the home and for people who have lost their job but do not qualify for Unemployment Insurance. This program has an eligibility time limit.

Women Infants and Children (WIC)

Chippewa County Public Health

711 North Bridge Street

Chippewa Falls, WI. 54729

715-726-7903 or 1-800-400-3678

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible families

Overview: The Women Infants and Children Program provides food and nutrition information to help keep pregnant and breastfeeding women, infants and children under five years of age healthy and strong.

CHILDREN WITH DIFFERING ABILITIES

ADVOCACY SERVICES

ABC for Health

32 N. Bassett Street
Madison, WI 53703
608-261-6939

Email: INFO@SAFETYWEB.ORG

Website: <http://www.safetyweb.org/>

Service Area: State of WI

Fees/Payment Options: Varies

Overview: ABC for Health's mission is to provide the community of both patients and providers with the information, advocacy tools, legal services, and expert support they need to secure health care coverage and services.

ARC Eau Claire, The

Banbury Place
Bldg D02, Suite 308
Eau Claire, WI 54703
715-514-1825

Email: thearcec@clearwire.net

Website: <http://www.arc-wisconsin.org/arcwisconsin/chapters/default.asp>

Service Area: Eau Claire and Surrounding Communities

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Promoting the general welfare of individuals with disabilities through the provision of advocacy, family support, education, leadership and human resources

Center for Independent Living for Western Wisconsin (CILWW)

202 Eau Claire St., Suite 102
Eau Claire, WI 54701

Voice/TTY: 715-514-4200, 877-577-8452

Fax: 715-514-2465

2920 Schneider Avenue East
Menomonie, WI 54751

Voice/TTY: 715-233-1070, 800-228-3287

Fax: 715-233-1083

331 S. Main Street, Suite 6 (located in job
center)
Rice Lake, WI 54868

Voice/TTY: 715-736-1800, 866-419-1260

Fax: 715-234-7821

Website: <http://www.cilww.com>

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Chippewa is one of 10 Western Wisconsin counties served by CILWW. CILWW advocates for the full participation in society of all persons with disabilities and provides consumer-driven services at no cost. The four core services include advocacy, independent living skills training, information and referral and peer support. Most employees of CILWW are individuals with disabilities who provide a wide base of expertise for assisting consumers. Other resources include assistive technology loan and demonstration, braille documents, computer assessment and training, independent living skills training, benefits analysis, transportation and access to local agencies providing medical assistance personal care.

Children’s Mental Health Alliance-Chippewa Valley

2105 Heights Drive

Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54701-6130

715-835-9720

Service Area: Chippewa Valley

Overview: Promotes collaboration among service providers, schools, families, and others concerned with the mental health of children and their families.

Chippewa Valley Autism Society

221 W. Vine St.

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-723-0037

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: Yearly membership available, meetings are free and open to public

Overview: Provides information on topics concerning Autism and Pervasive Developmental Disorder; strives to develop public awareness of these diseases by providing information to public staff and medical professionals & provides parents with information on public services and strategies for intervention. Group meets 5 times a year.

Disability Rights Wisconsin (DRW)

Closest office is Rice Lake

715-736-1232

Toll-Free Phone Number: 1-877-338-3724 (for families/people with disabilities)

Voice/TTY: 1-888-758-6049

Website: <http://www.disabilityrightswi.org/>

Service Area: State of Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: funded by federal, state and foundation grants

Overview: A statewide protection and advocacy agency that protects the civil rights of people with disabilities of all ages who reside in Wisconsin. They serve people with developmental disabilities, people with mental illness, people with physical or sensory disabilities, and people with traumatic brain injury.

District Parent Liaisons – CESA 10

715-456-1921

Service Area: School districts in the Cooperative Educational Service Agency (CESA) 10 region.

Fees/Payment Options: no charge for services

Overview: District Parent Liaisons are parents of children with disabilities who work with parents and educators from their school districts to promote positive partnerships and provide support to families of children with special needs. Liaisons are familiar with the various emotions, difficulties and joys that parents experience. They have also been involved in the parents’ school district and understand how the district operates. Thus, they can help “build bridges” between parents and schools. They can give parents information about workshops and trainings being offered, and can act as a coach/mentor in the IEP process. They design effective forms of communication between school and home, and include parents in school decisions, such as their child’s special education plan.

Chippewa Falls Schools Parent Facilitator

Lauri Malnory

715-726-2414 x-3030

Email: malnorlr@cfsd.k12.wi.us

CESA 10 Parent Facilitator

Tanya Williams

715-456-1921

Email: Twilliams@cesa10.k12.wi.us

Eau Claire Schools Parent Facilitator

Lauri Malnory

715-852-3075

Email: lmalnory@ecasd.k12.wi.us

CESA 11 Parent Facilitator

Pat Rynda

715-262-3065

Email: patr@cesa11.k12.wi.us

Epilepsy Foundation of Western Wisconsin

1812 Brackett

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-834-4455, 1-800-924-2105

Service Area: Chippewa County, western Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: FREE

Overview: The Epilepsy Foundation of Western Wisconsin is non-profit organization dedicated to improving life opportunities for people with epilepsy and their families through advocacy, support and individual and community education. The Epilepsy Foundation of Western Wisconsin was founded in 1972 in Eau Claire, WI. We currently serve 22 counties in Western Wisconsin: Ashland, Bayfield, Barron, Buffalo, Burnett, Chippewa, Clark, Dunn, Douglas, Eau Claire, Iron, Jackson, Pierce, Pepin, Polk, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, St. Croix, Taylor, Trempealeau, and Washburn.

Special Friends, Inc.

1434 Wilson St.

Bloomer, WI 54724

715-720-9262 or 715-726-8744

Website: www.specialfriendsinc.org

Service Area: Chippewa County

Eligibility Requirements: People who are disabled and their families

Fees/Payment Options: There may be costs involved with some activities. Special funding may be available to help families with costs.

Overview: Program promotes the general welfare of all people with emotional, physical and developmental disabilities. The goal of Special Friends is to initiate or support programs that enhance the lives of people with disabilities and their families. A variety of social/recreational and support groups are available to children, young adults, and adults. Information and educational materials and workshops are also available.

United Cerebral Palsy (UCP)

206 Water Street

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-832-1782

Email: ucp1ruth@sbcglobal.net

Website: http://www.ucp.org/ucp_local.cfm/156

Service Area: West Central Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: Free

Overview: United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) is a leading service provider and advocate for adults and children with disabilities, including cerebral palsy.

Western Regional Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs

Chippewa County Courthouse

711 N. Bridge Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7908, ext. 2-2131

Toll Free: 1-800-400-3678

Fax: 715-738-2589

Website: www.co.chippewa.wi.us/ccdph/cshcn

Service Area: Chippewa County, western Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: The Western Regional Center (WRC) provides current information and assistance to transition aged youth (14-21) and their parents about a comprehensive array of resources including health benefits, SSI, guardianship, vocational training, transition to adult health care and referral to the ADRC for long term care eligibility. The WRC staff specializes in helping parents and youth with problem solving using creative solutions and person centered planning. Chippewa County is one of 18 counties in the WRC service area, and there is no charge to consumers and callers for their services.

Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental Disabilities (WBPDD), The

(FNA Wisconsin Council on Developmental Disabilities)

201 West Washington Avenue, Suite 110

Madison, WI 53703

Toll free number: 888-332-1677

Voice: 608/266-7826

Fax: 608/267-3906

E-mail: bpddhelp@wi-bpdd.org

Website: <http://www.wi-bpdd.org/>

Fees/Payment Options:

Overview: The Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental Disabilities (WBPDD) was established to advocate on behalf of individuals with developmental disabilities, foster welcoming and inclusive communities, and improve the disability service system.

Wisconsin Family Ties

16 N. Carroll St., Suite 640

Madison, WI 53703

608-267-6888 or 1-800-422-7145 (parents only)

Fax: 608-267-6801

Service Area: State of Wisconsin

Eligibility Requirements: Wisconsin family with a child suffering from emotional, behavioral or mental disorders.

Fees/Payment Options: No charge for services.

Overview: A statewide non-profit organization that's run by families for families who have children and adolescents with emotional, behavioral and mental disorders. Helps parents to develop skills necessary to advocate for their children to obtain the level of care needed. Provides family advocates who can help parents clarify options and understand rights. Parent representatives are involved on local, state and national levels to build public awareness of needs. It can help parents find or start support groups in their area. WFT also provides a toll free help line for families, a quarterly newsletter, a resource and referral library, and sponsors workshops for parents and professionals.

Wisconsin Statewide Parent-Educator Initiative (WSPEI)

Parent Involvement in Education for Children with Disabilities

Website: <http://dpi.wi.gov/sped/parent.html>

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: A service for parents, educators, and others interested in parent-educator partnerships for children with disabilities. WSPEI is all about partnerships. Its goal is to help parents and school districts find or create the resources that will help them build positive working relationships that lead to shared decision making and children's learning. It supports increased sharing of information among parents, schools, projects, organizations and agencies through networking meetings, conferences, person-to-person contact, and media.

Chippewa Falls Schools Parent Facilitator

Lauri Malnory

715-726-2414 x-3030

Email: malnorlr@cfsd.k12.wi.us

CESA 10 Parent Facilitator

Tanya Williams

715-456-1921

Email: Twilliams@cesa10.k12.wi.us

Eau Claire Schools Parent Facilitator

Lauri Malnory

715-852-3075

Email: lmalnory@ecasd.k12.wi.us

CESA 11 Parent Facilitator

Pat Rynda

715-262-3065

Email: patr@cesa11.k12.wi.us

CWDA / ADVOCACY

ASSESSMENT & THERAPY SERVICES

Avanti Center (Formerly the Special Children's Center of Hudson)

742 Sterbenz Drive

Hudson, WI 54016

715-836-2128

Website: <http://www.specialchildrencenter.com>

Service Area: Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: Insurance

Overview: Offers assessments and a wide combination of therapies to address the needs of children who may be demonstrating a combination of the following behaviors: delayed speech; delayed motor development (walking, crawling, etc.); poor coordination; poor balance; clumsiness; over activity; easily distracted; low frustration; disorganization; social immaturity; overreaction/under reaction to touch, movement, and change. Offers both traditional and nontraditional alternative program approaches to help facilitate a child's development.

Behavior Reach

N8145 940th street

River Falls, WI 54022

Cell Phone: 612-598-2962

Fax: 715-425-0155

Email: jfmiller.999@gmail.com

Fees/Payment Options: Fee for service/Waiver billable

Service Area: Western Wisconsin

Overview: Behavior Reach is a behavioral organization focused on helping parents as behavior change agents with their children who are typically between the ages of two and thirteen. Behavior Reach uses only those techniques proven empirically to be effective procedures in changing behavior. Through the use of behavior analysis Behavior Reach teaches individuals to identify and define those behaviors to be changed and set attainable goals to meet the objective. John Miller, M.S. BCBA is a Licensed, Board Certified Behavior Analyst with over 20 years of experience in the field of behavior analysis. John has extensive experience with intensive early intervention with children with autism having worked as a Clinical Director/Supervisor under the guidance of Eric V. Larsson, PH.D. John currently works as a private consultant in Western Wisconsin enabling families to attain their goals working with challenging behavior.

Campus Autism Program

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Department of Psychology

275 Hibbard Hall

Eau Claire, WI 54702-4004

Contact: Kevin Klatt

Phone: 715-836-3995

Cell Phone: 715-579-9998

Email: klattkp@uwec.edu

Website: www.uwec.edu/psyc

Office Hours: Clinic is open Monday through Thursday mornings

Eligibility Requirements: The Campus Autism Program serves children ages 1 to 4 years old who have been diagnosed with autism or related PDD. The child's caregiver must be pursuing the state waiver for in-home behavioral intervention and the university's on-campus autism program provides the therapy needed until the funding is secured for the in-home sessions. At least one caregiver is required to participate in the behavior intervention sessions.

Fees/Payment Options: \$25 per one-hour session; however, reduced rates are available based on the family's ability to pay. Campus Autism Program therapists serve all eligible patients and do not want finances to prohibit treatment.

Overview: UW-Eau Claire Psychology student intern therapists pursuing professional careers in behavior analysis provide personalized treatment services in a fun teaching environment. The therapists record progress for every skill to aid in making accurate and effective treatment decisions. Caregivers view the sessions from an observation room and discuss the intervention with Dr. Klatt. Caregivers also are encouraged to read related articles provided by the autism program and carry out part of the intervention at home. Sessions provide the following general services: cooperation and attending/focusing skills, language assessment and development, functional assessment for problem behavior, direct instruction for language and learning, teaching skills to achieve fluency, play and social skills and daily documentation of progress. The child typically participates in one-hour sessions, four days per week. A caregiver is expected to attend every session.

LEAP (Learning Enhancement & Progression) Clinic

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Department of Special Education

249 HSS Bldg.

Eau Claire, WI 54702-4004

Contact: Linda Brunner

Phone: 836-5719

Website: <http://www.uwec.edu/Sped/forms/index.htm> (for information and registration forms)

Fees/Payment Options: \$50 tuition plus \$50 materials and supervision fee. The ECASD will pay the \$50 tuition for students who reside in the Eau Claire attendance area. Parents must pay the additional \$50 fee.

Overview: The LEAP Clinic was established over 20 years ago to provide hands-on experience for teachers seeking certification in learning disabilities and to offer intensive instruction for community students who were performing below expectations. At the clinic we provide research-based, fundamental instruction in reading, mathematics, written expression, spelling, study skills, and social skills. The clinic teachers are closely supervised by UW-Eau Claire faculty who are present every day. Each child receives two hours of instruction, four days a week for five weeks. The clinic is designed to meet the unique individual needs of children in grades K-12 who are experiencing difficulty acquiring basic skills.

SPOTS House (Speech, Occupational and Physical Therapy Services)

2661 County Highway I

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-717-7447

Website: http://www.stjoeschippfalls.com/our_services/spots_house.phtml

Fees/Payment Options: private insurance, Medicaid, private pay

Overview: SPOTS provides skilled therapy services to children under the age of three in their natural environment (homes, daycares) through the Chippewa County Birth-to-Three and Eau Claire County Birth-to-Three programs. Children of all ages can be served at S.P.O.T.S. on St. Joseph's Hospital campus when other providers are not meeting medical or community-based needs.

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, Communication Disorders Clinic

UWEC

HSS Building

Eau Claire, WI 54702

Contact: Ms. Angie Sterling-Orth

Director of Clinical Programs and Services

715-836-3831

(for information/questions)

Email: sterliaj@uwec.edu

Website: <http://www.uwec.edu/CSD/center/clinic.htm>

Fees/Payment Options: varies

Overview: Offers speech, language, and hearing services to residents of the Chippewa Valley. Clinical services are performed by students under the supervision of faculty who are certified by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. The center is a modern clinical facility that includes 16 therapy rooms with direct observation facilities, an audiology suite, a speech science and voice laboratory, an assistive technology laboratory, a computer laboratory, an audio-visual laboratory, a materials resource room, and a reception area with two client waiting rooms.

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, Human Development Center

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
160 Human Sciences and Services Bldg
239 Water Street
Eau Claire, WI 54702

Contact: Toni Volbrecht
715-836-5604

Email: volbrets@uwec.edu

Hours: Center is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays

Website: <http://www.uwec.edu/hdc/index.htm>

Service Area: Eau Claire and the Chippewa Valley region

Fees/Payment Options: Charges range from \$200-\$300. In the event of financial hardship clients may apply for reduced fees.

Overview: The Human Development Center is a UW-Eau Claire sponsored agency that provides clinical services to children and families in Eau Claire and the Chippewa Valley region. Services include assessment and intervention for a wide variety of presenting problems. It provides information for parents and professionals in the community and provides UW - Eau Claire students with an interdisciplinary training experience and research opportunities. Clients include infants, toddlers, preschool children, school-aged children, and young adults. Services typically include assessment, intervention and school consultation. Clients are referred to the HDC by parents, service agencies, schools, and health care providers. Common referral problems include: behavior and adjustment problems, underachievement, giftedness, developmental disabilities, learning disabilities, reading difficulties, speech, language, and communication problems, physical handicaps, attention-deficit disorders, anxiety, depression, and bedwetting. Student clinicians are typically graduate students majoring in the areas of reading, school psychology, special education, communication sciences and disorders, family health nursing or social work. Student clinicians work closely with UW-Eau Claire faculty who are licensed in their respective disciplines.

HOME/RESPITE/DAYTIME-CARE SERVICES

At Home Care

219 N Washington Street
 PO Box 143 Thorp, WI 54771-0143
 715-669-3376
 866-245-8179
 Fax: 715-669-3151

Email: office@athomecarewi.com

Service Area: Western WI

Fees/Payment Options: Insurance or Self Pay

Overview: Client focused Personal Care Services including assistance with daily living tasks so that you can get the help you need and remain in your own home. Caregiver services are available from one hour to 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

Gemini Cares Inc.

2004 Highland Ave, Suite 2B
 Eau Claire, WI 54701
 715-830-0546
 888-278-3405

Website: <http://geminicare.com/index.php>

Service Area: Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: Insurance / MA Billable; Private Pay

Overview: provides supportive home care, personal care, and respite care services to thousands of elderly and disabled individuals throughout Wisconsin.

Grace Adult Day Services - Grace Lutheran Foundation

2441 New Pine Drive	or	2050 County Trunk I.
Altoona, WI 54720		Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
15-832-8811		715-738-1925

Fax: 715-838-2424

Hours: Mon-Fri, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Extended hours may be available with advanced notice.

Service Area: Chippewa

Fees/Payment Options: Private pay or IRIS/MCO funding may be available to qualified clients. Call for rates. Rates based on level of care.

Overview: Programs for day services for adults with special needs. Grace ADS embraces a lifelong learning approach through their University of Life and Grace Graduate programs. Facility offers bathing assistance and personal care, health monitoring, medication assistance, daily activity program, socialization, and other services in a safe, structured and supervised environment. Individualized care plans and programming with a variety of services to choose from. Balanced, warm lunch and nutritious snack served daily. Funding and transportation resources may be available to assist people in obtaining services.

Lifenet, LLC Home Care Agency

800 Wisconsin St., Ste 305
PO Box 1081
Eau Claire, WI 54702-1081
715-835-4111 or 1-800-506-5433
Fax: 715-835-4359

Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. M – F, on-call 24 Hours a day

Eligibility Requirements: Must have Physician’s Order for services

Fees/Payment Options: Private Pay, Private Insurance, Veteran’s Administration, Medicaid

Overview: Skilled nursing is available 24 hours a day. Services include bathing, dressing, oral hygiene, and medication management. Lifenet strives to ensure customer satisfaction in accordance with physician’s orders and to provide the highest quality of care.

Lifenet, Supportive Services, LLC

800 Wisconsin St., Ste 305
PO Box 1081
Eau Claire, WI 54702-1081
715-835-4111 or 1-800-506-5433
Fax: 715-835-4359

Office Hours: 7:30 – 4:30 Mon – Fri. Available 24 hours on-call.

Service Area: Chippewa, Clark, Eau Claire, Taylor and other counties

Fees/Payment Options: Private pay, private insurance, or county pay

Overview: Program offers companionship, safety, cleaning, laundry, grocery shopping, meal preparation, transportation to appointments, meal preparation, cleaning, errands or grocery shopping, and medication reminders. Program also provides assistance with bathing, dressing, and oral hygiene. Private case management and coordination of services are provided on an on-going basis.

ResCare Home Care

1324 W Clairemont Ave.
Eau Claire, WI 54701
715- 831-0631

Website: <http://www.rescarehomecare.com/displaylocation.php?ID=644>

Service Area: Western WI

Fees/Payment Options: Private Pay, IRIS/MCO, VA, LTC Insurance, and Medicare/Medicaid

Overview: ResCare Home Care provides personalized home care services to people of all ages, physical conditions and cognitive abilities. We offer quality in-home senior care, including professional nursing, personal care, Alzheimer’s care, dementia care, homemaking, companionship, respite and many home care services in the home, the hospital, long-term assisted living facilities and other places of residence. ResCare Home Care caregivers are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, including holidays. We tailor our in-home care services to meet your specific needs. Our services can be scheduled from as little as one hour to 24 hours a day.

United Cerebral Palsy (UCP)

206 Water Street

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-832-1782

Email: ucp1ruth@sbcglobal.net

Website: http://www.ucp.org/ucp_local.cfm/156

Service Area: West Central Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: Free

Overview: United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) is a leading service provider and advocate for adults and children with disabilities, including cerebral palsy.

Universal Pediatrics

700 26 1/2 27th Street

New Auburn, WI 54757-8770

877- 347-8800

Website: <http://universalpediatric.com/>

Service Area: Midwestern United States

Fees/Payment Options: insurance or Self Pay

Overview: Universal Pediatric Services offers a continuum of in-home health care for children and young adults with serious medical conditions and complex technological needs. Universal's skilled RNs, LPNs and home health aides are selectively recruited and specifically trained for each individual case. Our nurses have experience with ventilator, feeding tube, tracheotomy and IV requirements. We manage ongoing communication with primary physicians and a local network of medical suppliers and needed services. This may include occupational, physical and speech therapies. Our care plans are individually designed to meet the requirements of the client, physician, payer sources and others interested in the success of our patients and family.

HOME MEDICAL SUPPLIES/HOME & VEHICLE MODIFICATION SERVICES

A and J Mobility

3405 Truax Court, Suite B

Eau Claire, WI 54703

877-833-9830

Email: johns@aandjvans.com

Website: <http://www.aandjmobility.com/>

Service Area: Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: waiver/private pay

Overview: Offer mobility equipment and vehicle conversions.

American Homepatient

Kings Plaza Shopping Center

3010 London Road or 204 E. Upham St.

Eau Claire, WI 54701 Marshfield, WI 54449

715-833-2383 715-387-1789

1-800-950-2383 1-800-950-2383

Office Hours: 8:00 – 5:00 M – F, 9:00 – 1:00 Sat, 24 hour on-call for emergencies

Service Area: State of Wisconsin, Iowa

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts Medical Assistance, Medicare, insurance and private pay. Options are available for indigent clients.

Overview: Comprehensive home health care provider offers medical equipment, products and services for patients in the home. Services include home infusion services for IV antibiotics, chemotherapy, pain management, AIDS therapy, and others. Home respiratory services for oxygen concentrators, liquid and portable oxygen, ventilators and others. Complete line of home medical equipment and supplies, including home phototherapy, apnea monitors and enteral nutrition equipment and services. Clinical team of RN's, pharmacists and RT's provide patient and family training. Provides service on sales and rentals and free delivery of equipment.

Apria

1316 N. Hastings Way or 2021 Kern Ave.

Eau Claire, WI 54703 Rice Lake, WI 54868

715-834-7517 715-234-6961

Toll Free: 800-289-8700 800-432-9289

Fax: 715-834-0063 Fax: 715-234-3504

Hours: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. 24 hr. professional on-call RT's and Patient Care Technicians.

Service Area: 60 mile radius from Eau Claire.

Eligibility Requirements: Medical need for equipment to continue care at home. Some items require physician's order to be covered by pay sources.

Fees/Payment Options: Private pay, private or group insurance, Medical Assistance.

Overview: Provides home oxygen, infusion services, respiratory medication, and variety of durable medical equipment for home use. Health care professionals work with home patients to train on use of equipment and medications. Also offers a travel program so patients can get their medications delivered at a destination or meeting point with no extra billing. Bills directly to payment sources. JCAHO accredited.

J and B Medical

50496 W. Pontiac Trail

Wixom, MI 48393

800-980-0047

Email: info@jandbmedical.comWebsite: <http://www.jandbmedical.com/>Service Area: Serves Wisconsin Medicaid recipientsFees/Payment Options: Medical Assistance, private payOverview: Provider medically related products including home, medical, personal care and incontinence supplies.**Mayo/Midelfort Long-Term Pharmacy**

202 N. Barstow

Eau Claire, WI 54703-3589

715-838-6800

Service Area: Chippewa CountyFees/Payment Options: insurance/MAOverview: Provides medical supplies and wheelchairs.**Numotion**

2601 Morningside Dr # 1

Eau Claire, WI 54703-3643

715-552-3711

Fees/Payment Options: Insurance/MA billable, private payOverview: Provides durable medical equipment.**Walgreens Medical Supply**

3405 Truax Ct., Ste A

Eau Claire, WI 54703-6941

800-715-5581

Website:http://www.walgreenshealth.com/wagclient/consumer/index.jsp?sc_cid=walgreenshomecare_con_van(shortened link: <http://tinyurl.com/353zm6q>)Service Area: western WisconsinFees/Payment Options: Insurance/MA/Private PayOverview: Home, medical and respiratory supplies.**WISLOAN – Assistive Technology Loan Program**

Managed by: Center for Independent Living western Wisconsin

202 Eau Claire Street, Suite 102

Eau Claire, WI 54701

Voice/ TTY: 715-514-4200, 877-577-8452Fax: 715-514-2465Email: cilww@cilww.comService Area: Wisconsin residentsFees/Payment Options: Must have means to repay loanOverview: Provides Wisconsin residents with a disability in need of assistive technology a loan.

Individuals must prove an ability to repay the loan.

INTENSIVE AUTISM SERVICES

Applied Behavioral Intervention Services, LLC

2028 High Point Drive

Altoona, WI 54720

715-852-0112

Service Area: Buffalo, Chippewa, Eau Claire, and Trempealeau Counties

Fees/Payment Options: insurance/waiver billable

Overview: Provides intensive in-home and community-based Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) treatment for young children with Autism Spectrum Disorders.

Caillier Clinic

505 South Dewey St #101

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-836-0064

Fax: 715-836-0065

Website: <http://www.caillierclinic.com/>

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts private insurance, Medical Assistance and BadgerCare

Overview: Caillier Clinic offers comprehensive mental health services, parenting assessments, autism treatments, outpatient alcohol and drug programs, juvenile sex offender evaluations and treatment, and domestic violence services including educational anger courses.

Educational Solutions

1802 Warden Street

Eau Claire, WI 54703

715-552-1620

Website: <http://educational--solutions.com/index.html>

Fees/Payment Options: insurance/waiver

Overview: Educational Solutions provides in-home intensive behavioral intervention to young children with autism. Intensive services require a minimum of 20 hours of direct therapy each week. All programs are based on empirically supported evidenced based practice within a developmental framework. Educational Solutions is also a company committed to serving the needs of children challenged by developmental, learning, and emotional disorders. Educational Solutions provides a broad spectrum of psychological, educational, and behavioral programs individually designed to build social relationships, teach functional life skills, promote independence, and achieve the highest quality of life possible.

Integrated Development Services, (IDS)

6506 Schroeder Road

Madison, WI 53711

1-800-218-3781

Website: <http://www.ids-wi.com/home.html>

Fees/Payment Options: insurance/waiver billable

Overview: Integrated Development Services is a pediatric mental health clinic, specializing in autism spectrum disorders, developmental disabilities, behavioral challenges, and childhood mental health challenges. Our treatment programs combine developmental and relationship-based approaches with core principles from applied behavioral analysis. Our treatment sessions focus on play, because play is the developmental work that children naturally do. Our intervention model is based on effective, evidence-based research and practice.

Reaching Your Potential LLC**Contacts:**

Dr. Karen Londre
 Licensed Psychologist
Email: drkaren.ryp@gmail.com
Phone: 608-769-6619
Fax: 608-788-1974

Tracey Cowley
 Clinic Director
Email: tracey.ryp@gmail.com
Phone: 715-299-4668
Fax: 715-670-0147

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: Waiver eligible

Overview: Offering several available services which include screening and diagnostic appointment, in-home therapy services for children with ASD, post-intensive consultation services for children with ASD, pre-waiver services for those families waiting for funded services on the CLTW, and consultation services for those children who do not qualify for the waiver services. Some techniques incorporated are sensory integration, video modeling, sign language and more.

United Cerebral Palsy (UCP)

206 Water Street
 Eau Claire, WI 54701
 715-832-1782
Email: ucp1ruth@sbcglobal.net
Website: http://www.ucp.org/ucp_local.cfm/156

Service Area: West Central Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: Free

Overview: United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) is a leading service provider and advocate for adults and children with disabilities, including cerebral palsy.

Wisconsin Early Autism Project (WEAP)

2125 Heights Drive, Suite 2F
 Eau Claire, WI 54701
 715-832-2233
Website: <http://www.wiautism.com/>

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: Insurance/Waiver billable

Overview: The Wisconsin Early Autism Project, Inc. is a program and clinic for the treatment of children with autism based on the work of Dr. Ivar Lovaas, the pioneer of an intensive behavioral approach with proven best outcomes. WEAP provides ongoing therapeutic treatment through its local clinics for families in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Malaysia, and Vancouver as well as training workshops with follow-up supervision for families in other parts of the United States and the world.

MENTORING

Big Brothers Big Sisters

312 S. Barstow Street, Suite S1

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-835-0161

Website: <http://bbbsnw.org/>

Service Area: Chippewa County, Eau Claire and Menomonie

Fees/Payment Options: none

Overview: Donor driven youth mentoring organization which mentors children, ages 6-18, in communities across the country.

Boys and Girls Club

201 E. Lake Street

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-855-0081

Website: <http://bgca-chippewavalley.org/>

Service Area: Chippewa Valley

Fees/Payment Options: None

Overview: The Boys & Girls Club of the Greater Chippewa Valley provides a safe, positive and productive place for youth to go after school and during school breaks. Youth members ages 8-18 are able to participate in after school and full day summer programs, as well as enjoy a daily snack and dinner.

OTHER SPECIALIZED THERAPY

BOLD (Basics of Life Dairy)

Contact: Randy Janke

715-829-7541

18986 173rd St.

Bloomer, WI 54724

Email: basics.of.life.dairy@gmail.com

Website: <http://basicsoflifedairy.org/>

Overview: Our goal is to provide children, (emphasis on autistic children), many opportunities to experience personal growth and develop life skills while visiting and participating at the **BOLD** farm. Programs include Fitness classes and Job Training Activities.

Children's Dyslexia Center of Upper Wisconsin (WICDC)

616 Graham Ave

Eau Claire 54701

715-598-4986

Website: <http://www.wicdc.org/>

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: The Children's Dyslexia Center of Upper Wisconsin is located in Eau Claire, Wisconsin but serves children in the entire greater Chippewa Valley. Dyslexia, which is a language-based learning disability, affects as many as 1 in 5 people – many of whom are of average or above average intelligence and excel dramatically when given the resources to do so

Dove Healthcare-Aquatic Therapy

3656 Mall Drive

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-552-1035

Website: <http://south.dovehealthcare.com/>

Fees/Payment Options: fee for service

Overview: Use Wisconsin's first warm water therapy pool with a height-adjustable floor that functions as an underwater treadmill for cardiovascular, gait, and strength training. Safely enter the pool without lifts, ladders, or steps. The weightlessness of the water eases the pain of achy joints and muscles, increases mobility, and accelerates healing.

Friendship Farm

8765 State Hwy 178

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-723-0627

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: private pay

Overview: Friendship Farm offers horsemanship and riding instruction to anyone with an interest in horses. The focus is always enjoyment and safety. Instruction is private (one to one) and individualized to the student based upon personal goals and interests. We specialize in providing personalized instruction to individuals with physical, behavioral, mental health and cognitive challenges.

Musical Medicine

2000 N Oxford Ave.

Eau Claire, WI 54703

715-552-5936

Fees/Payment Options: fee for service

Overview: Provides musical therapy and intervention for children with special needs.

Mythalisha's Dream Therapeutic Riding Center

Contact: Sharlyn Fellenz

6815 W. Cameron Street

Eau Claire, WI 54703

715-379-8321

Email: mytalishadream@yahoo.com

Website: Find Mythalisha's Dream on Facebook

Overview: Purpose is to provide a unique experience, which is challenging yet enjoyable to individuals of all abilities and ages, by encouraging the rehabilitation of individuals through equine-facilitated activities. Classes are offered with a NARHA certified therapeutic riding instructor.

Nature's Edge Therapy Center

2523 14-3/4 Ave

Rice Lake, WI 54868

715-859-6670

Email: naturesedge@citizens-tel.net

Website: <http://www.naturesedgetherapycenter.org/>

Fees/Payment Options: private insurance, Medical Assistance, BadgerCare, or private pay

Overview: Nature's Edge Therapy Center, Inc. provides Speech, Occupational, and Physical Therapy to individuals in a natural environment, incorporating Hippo therapy, Animal-Assisted Therapy, and Horticulture Therapy with conventional treatment methods to attain therapeutic goals. Using these alternative treatment options allows patients to receive intense therapy in a highly motivational environment.

Trinity Equestrian Center

S5300 State Highway 37

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-835-4530

Email: info@trinity-ec.com

Website: <http://www.trinity-ec.com/>

Fees/Payment Options: private pay

Overview: Trinity is a non-profit organization and full service horse center offering Therapeutic Riding, Equine Assisted Psychotherapy (EAP) and Equine Assisted Learning (EAL). We also provide boarding, training, lessons, horse leasing, summer horse camps and our unique and innovative summer child care program called Ranch Care.

PUBLIC LONG-TERM SUPPORT SERVICES

Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)

Chippewa County Courthouse
 711 N. Bridge Street
 Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
 715-726-7777 or 1-888-400-6920
Fax: 715-738-2589
Email: ADRC@co.chippewa.wi.us
Service Area: Chippewa County
Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: The ADRC is a service center that provides a place for the public to get accurate unbiased information on all aspects of life related to aging and adults with all types of disabilities. Transition aged youth with disabilities can begin the intake process for eligibility for long-term care programs at age 17 yrs. 6 mo. The ADRC provides information and assistance and access to services including a Benefit Specialist and Options Counselors who can help transition aged youth and their families to access an array of community services, whether or not they qualify for disability related long term care services.

Birth to 3 Program - Chippewa County Department of Human Services

711 N. Bridge St., Room #305
 Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
 715-726-7788
Email: humanservices@co.chippewa.wi.us
Website: <http://www.co.chippewa.wi.us/>
Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: no cost or a sliding fee scale

Overview: The Birth to 3 Program provides specialized services to children with special needs from birth to 3 years old. The program helps to identify delays in children's growth and development process, and intervenes to overcome difficulties that might hinder future learning. Services may include developmental screenings, therapies, family support, parent education, transportation and referral to agencies and resources. The program is offered through most county social service departments, and the program and services may vary between counties.

Children's Crisis Through Northwest Connections

Crisis Line:
 1-888-552-6642

Service Area: Western Wisconsin
Fees/Payment Options: Free/MA billable

Overview: 24 hours per day, 7 day a week crisis response and prevention services. Northwest Connections is a collaborative effort between on-call mental health workers, law enforcement personnel, county personnel and community providers to coordinate an immediate response to assist a person experiencing a mental health crisis.

Chippewa County Department of Human Services - Children with Differing Abilities Division (CWDA)

711 N Bridge St., Room #305
 Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
 715-726-7788

Email: humanservices@co.chippewa.wi.us

Website: <http://www.co.chippewa.wi.us/>

Fees/Payment Options: no cost or a parental fee system, determined and collected by the state

Service Area: Chippewa County

Overview: The children's waiver is designed to help families meet the needs of children with special needs by providing assistance in meeting the costs of specialized equipment and services. The Children's Waiver can provide: adaptive aids, communication aids, consumer and family directed services, consumer education & training, counseling/therapeutic, daily living skills, day services, financial services, home modifications, foster/treatment foster care, respite, and many other services.

Family Support Programs: Offered to families who are caring for a severely disabled child at home. Services include referral to community resources, linking families with other families, strengthening natural supports, and limited funding to purchase goods and services.

IRIS (Include, Respect, I Self-Direct)

1 S. Pinckney Street, Suite 320
 Madison, WI 53703-2887
 608-255-6411
 888-515-4747

Email: info@Wisconsin-IRIS.com

Website: <http://www.wisconsin-iris.com/>

Fees/Payment Options: free for eligible individuals with disabilities

Overview: Wisconsin's Self-Directed Supports Program for older people and adults with disabilities. IRIS is a program of the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. Since 2008, IRIS has been working with people to create safe, personalized, and flexible long-term care plans. With an emphasis on responsibility and choice, each plan is designed to work with that person's individual goals.

Western Regional Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs

Chippewa County Courthouse

711 N. Bridge Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7908, ext. 2-2131

Toll Free: 1-800-400-3678

Fax: 715-738-2589

Website: www.co.chippewa.wi.us/ccdph/cshcn

Service Area: Chippewa County, western Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Provides current information and assistance to transition aged youth (14-21) and their parents about a comprehensive array of resources including health benefits, SSI, guardianship, vocational training, transition to adult health care and referral to the ADRC for long term care eligibility. The WRC staff specializes in helping parents and youth with problem solving using creative solutions and person centered planning. Chippewa County is one of 18 counties in the WRC service area, and there is no charge to consumers and callers for their services.

SOCIAL & RECREATIONAL SERVICES

PRIDE (Physical activity and Recreation for Individuals with Disabilities in the Eau Claire area) Program

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Department of Kinesiology

Contact: Dr. Marquell Johnson, Assistant Professor, Department of Kinesiology, UWEC

Phone: 715-836-3948

Email: johnmarq@uwec.edu

Website: <http://www.uwec.edu/Kin/outreach/pride.htm> (for info or to register)

Fees/Payment Options: \$50.00 per child; a sliding fee scale is available

Overview: The intention of the PRIDE program is to serve children ages 5-16 years of age and individuals 16 and older with cognitive, sensory, and physical disabilities by providing them with individualized and/or group instruction in the areas of skill development, fitness, and sport/recreational activities. Individualized programming for each child will be based on initial screening, ongoing assessments, and consultation with parents, teachers, and related service personnel. Each child will receive individual instruction, attention, support, and encouragement from UWEC undergraduate students. The program will be suited for children with a wide variety of ability levels. The children participating in this program will be recruited/referred from Physical Education/Adapted Physical Education teachers, physicians, therapists, and families.

Special Olympics

2023 Fairfax Street

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-833-0833

Website: <http://www.specialolympics.org>

Service Area: Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: FREE

Overview: Provides sports training and competition for nearly 10,000 athletes with cognitive disabilities in 18 different sports year-round.

Wisconsin Youth Sports Program (WYSP)

UW-Eau Claire Recreation

Hilltop Center

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-836-3377

Service Area: Chippewa and Eau Claire area

Fees/Payment Options: FREE

Overview: WYSP is a 5 week FREE day camp (M-F) on the UWEC campus sponsored by University Recreation & Sports Facilities. Children ages 10-16 have the opportunity to learn sport skills and participate in activities and educational programs. Transportation, breakfast, lunch, medical exam, and dental screening will be provided. Register by phone.

SUMMER CAMPS

Arch's Camp Pow Wow

W220 N7884 Townline Road
Menomonee Falls, WI 53186
262-251-7866

Website: <http://www.waukeshaarch.org/camp/powwowfaq.htm>

Fees/Payments: 600/week

Overview: ARCH's Camp Pow Wow provides children and adults who have disabilities with the opportunity to go to camp and experience swimming, fishing, nature, canoeing, arts and crafts, and music. ARCH's Camp Pow Wow strives to accommodate all individuals, regardless of needs. There are residential and day camp options.

Birch Trail Camp For Girls

Winter Address (September 15-April 15):

10523 N Pine Tree Circle
Mequon, Wisconsin 53092
262-238-1263
Fax: 262-238-1269

Email: info@birchtrail.com

Website: http://www.birchtrail.com/camp_bt.shtml

Fees/Payment Options: fee for service

Overview: Camp BT offers a short stay residential program for boys and girls with High-functioning Autism and Aspergers Syndrome between ten and fifteen years of age who require social and behavioral support. We will also offer a small number of children as young as 8 years (or those who are not ready for sleepover camp) a place as a day camper. Through the skills of a professional team, adapted programming and a non-competitive approach, we are able to provide campers with a successful group recreational experience.

Summer Address (April 15-September 15):

P.O. Box 527
Minong, Wisconsin 54859
715-466-2216
Fax: 715-466-2217

Camp Firefly

Camp Firefly Registration:
Jewish Child & Family Services
Attn: Melissa Newman
255 Revere Drive, Suite 200
Northbrook, IL 60062

Website: <http://www.campfireflyjcfs.com/index.html>

Fees/Payment Options: fee for service

Overview: Join us for a week long overnight camp experience at the luxurious JCC's Perlstein Resort & Conference Center at JCC's Camp Chi, just outside of Wisconsin Dells! Camp Firefly offers a unique week long, overnight summer camp experience for boys and girls, ages 9-13, who have been diagnosed with social disorders, such as Social Anxiety, OCD, PDD, Asperger's Syndrome, Non-Verbal Learning Disorder, and High Functioning Autism. Camp takes place August 1 - 8, 2010.

Challenge Camp

Challenge Camp

Rogers Memorial Hospital

34700 Valley Road

Oconomowoc, WI 53066

262-646-4411 x. 1304

Website: http://rogerscamp.org/camp/?page_id=11

Fees/Payment Options: call for information

Overview: Challenge camp is an exciting opportunity for children ages 9 to 13 dealing with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), depression, anxiety or related disorders to improve their self-esteem, social skills and sense of personal responsibility.

Easter Seals Wisconsin Camps

Winter Address:

W15283 Waubeek Road

Wisconsin Dells, WI, 53965 USA

608-254-2502

Fax: 608-277-8333

Summer Address:

W15283 Waubeek Road

Wisconsin Dells, WI, 53965 USA

608-254-2502

Fax: 608-253-3027

Website: <http://camp.eastersealswisconsin.com/>

Fees/Payment Options: fee for service

Overview:

Respite Camp works 1:1 with individuals with involved physical, emotional, cognitive, and behavioral disabilities. Respite Camp offers 12 respite weekends from September through May and a full summer camp season with 10 sessions. Activities your loved one will be participating in are the traditional camp programs (crafts, sports, nature, swimming, and camping out) and ropes course, canoeing, and fishing. Staff assist campers with all personal care (e.g. toileting, showering, dressing, feeding, and transfers into and out of their wheelchair) and recreational activities throughout the day.

Easter Seals Camp Wawbeek has 6 camp sessions during the summer. Three adult 6-day sessions and 1-2 week kids/teens session and 1 -6-day social group for young adults with cognitive delays. Camp Wawbeek works with individuals with physical disabilities with mild to no cognitive impairments for 7 summer sessions. Activities are the traditional camp programs (crafts, sports, nature, swimming, and camping out) and ropes course, canoeing, and fishing. Staff assist campers with all personal care (e.g. toileting, showering, dressing, feeding, and transfers into and out of their wheelchair) and recreational activities throughout the day. Easter Seals Camp also offers several specialty programs including camp for transitioning youth, bring a buddy camp, Aspergers Camp and more.

Wisconsin Badger Camp

Wisconsin Badger Camp

PO Box 723

Platteville, WI 53818

608-348-9689

Website: <http://www.badgercamp.org/>

Service Area: ALL

Fees/Payment Options: fee for service

Overview: Wisconsin Badger Camp's mission is to provide a positive natural environment where individuals with developmental challenges can learn about their surroundings and realize their full potential. Through a group living experience, campers develop friendships and expand their social skills. Everyone, regardless of the severity of their disability, are welcome at Badger Camp.

Wisconsin Lions Camp

3834 County Road A

Rosholt, WI 54473

715-677-4969

Email: info@wisconsinlionscamp.com

Website: <http://www.wisconsinlionscamp.com>

Service Area: Wisconsin

Fees/Payments: FREE

Overview: The Wisconsin Lions Camp is dedicated to providing a quality camping experience free-of-charge to eligible Wisconsin residents who are Blind or visually impaired, Deaf or Hard of Hearing, youth with mild cognitive disabilities and youth with diabetes.

YMCA Camp Manitou

Summer Address:

27960 137th St.

New Auburn, WI 54757

715-967-2126

Winter Address:

700 Graham Ave.

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-836-8460

Fees/Payment Options: fee for service

Overview: An adventure in group living for boys and girls. Campers of all ages will learn self-reliance, gain new interests, acquire new skills, practice sound health habits, and enjoy the outdoors with new and old friends within the framework of the Christian ideal upon which the YMCA is founded. Camp Manitou will accommodate special needs on a case by case basis.

Camp WABI, a program at Camp Manitou:

Eau Claire YMCA Camp Manitou and Mayo Health Systems are excited to offer this camp to help kids ages 10 to 14 who struggle with weight issues make lifestyle changes necessary to achieve a healthy lifestyle. Camp Wabi will run August 5-17, 2012, and will be held at Camp Manitou

YMCA Camp Timbertop

Stevens Point Area YMCA

1000 Division Street

Stevens Point, WI 54481

715-824-5267

Fees/Payment Options: fee for service

Overview: Timbertop Camp is for boys and girls ages 8-13 that have been identified by their school district as needing extra help for a learning disability. Timbertop combines traditional camp programs with extra reading practice and special group activities that focus on dealing with learning disabilities. Special attention is paid to peer relations, building self-confidence and learning new skills.

SUPPORT SERVICES

ASPIRE (Asperger's Syndrome Parent Information and Resource Network)

(715) 717-4365.

Website: <http://www.sacredhearteauclaire.org/support-networks>

Service Area: Chippewa Valley and surrounding area

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: ASPIRE is for parents, educators, family and friends of individuals with Asperger's Syndrome or related social pragmatic conditions associated with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Meetings are held monthly on the first Tuesday of each month from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Bishop Hall of Sacred Heart Hospital. Discussion topics focus on parent/family issues as they relate to the individual with Asperger's Syndrome. Community professionals who work with these individuals are often invited to present on a specific topic and answer pertinent questions.

S.M.I.L.E. (Sharing Mobility Information with Learning and Encouragement)

Email: SMILEgroupEC@yahoo.com

Service Area: Chippewa Valley

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Area support group for families in the Chippewa Valley who have children with mobility issues such as Cerebral Palsy, etc.

Children's Mental Health Alliance-Chippewa Valley

2105 Heights Drive

Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54701-6130

Website: www.facebook.com/pages/Childrens-Mental-Health-Alliance-Chippewa-Valley/202262823132911

Service Area:

Fees/Payment Options:

Overview:

Chippewa Valley Autism Society

711 Briar Lane

Altoona, WI 54720

715-835-7602

Website: www.cvaswi.webs.com

Email: autismsocietychippewavalley@yahoo.com

Service Area: Chippewa Valley and surrounding areas

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Provide advocacy, support and information to individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders, their families, caregivers, professionals, and communities throughout the Chippewa Valley. The Chippewa Valley Autism Society of Wisconsin is a non-profit advocacy organization dedicated to children and adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders. We provide current information and support to parents, grandparents, educators, service providers, and others interested in autism.

Down Syndrome Association of WI-Chippewa Valley

PO Box 3156

Eau Claire, WI 54702-3156

715-379-0563

Website: www.dsaw.org

Service Area: Chippewa, Dunn and Eau Claire counties

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: The Down Syndrome Association of Wisconsin - Chippewa Valley chapter is a local resource for people with Down syndrome and other developmental challenges, their families and others that support them. We are committed to providing support and information in the hope of cultivating awareness, respect and opportunity for those in our community touched by Down syndrome.

Down Syndrome Footprint Foundation

770 Technology Way

Suite 112

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Phone: 715.720.2757

Website: www.downsyndromefootprint.org

Service Area: Chippewa Valley

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: At the Down Syndrome Footprint Foundation we celebrate the lives of individuals with Down syndrome with use of the Down Syndrome Footprint symbol. Learn about exciting awareness, empowerment, and employment opportunities in the Chippewa Valley and beyond!

Gene Pool/Arc Eau Claire

Email: Genepoolgroup@yahoo.com

Service Area: Western Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: The Gene Pool is a group of area families from Western Wisconsin who offer friendship, advice, practical experience, and valuable information to other families whose lives have been touched by a loved one with a cognitive, genetic or developmental disability.

Grandparents (and others) as Parents

Sponsored by the Eau Claire YMCA

700 Graham Avenue

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-836-8460 or the warm-line at 715-835-1944 or 715-225-0404

Email: info@gap-ec.org

Website: www.gap-ec.org

Service Area: Chippewa Valley

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Grandparents (*and others*) as Parents is a grass roots support and information sharing group open to any family raising relative's children for whatever reason. We strive to share what we know and what we have gone through to make the journey easier for others.

Special Friends Inc.

1434 Wilson Street

Bloomer, Wisconsin 54724

715-720-9262

Website: www.specialfriendsinc.org

Service Area: Chippewa County

Eligibility Requirements: People who are disabled and their families

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: This program promotes the general welfare of all people with emotional, physical and developmental disabilities. They are a volunteer (no paid staff) agency whose goal is to initiate or support programs that enhance the lives of people with disabilities and their families. They provide a variety of social/recreational and support groups available to children, young adults, and adults. Information and educational materials and workshops are also available. They welcome members who are parents, professionals, neighbors, and friends of people who need help to improve the quality of their lives in the community.

TELEPHONE & ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

Center for Independent Living for Western Wisconsin (CILWW)

202 Eau Claire St., Suite 102
Eau Claire, WI 54701

Voice/TTY: 715-514-4200, 877-577-8452
Fax: 715-514-2465

2920 Schneider Avenue East
Menomonie, WI 54751

Voice/TTY: 715-233-1070, 800-228-3287
Fax: 715-233-1083

331 S. Main Street, Suite 6 (located in job center)
Rice Lake, WI 54868

Voice/TTY: 715-736-1800, 866-419-1260
Fax: 715-234-7821

Website: <http://www.cilww.com>

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Chippewa is one of 10 Western Wisconsin counties served by CILWW. CILWW advocates for the full participation in society of all persons with disabilities and provides consumer-driven services at no cost. The four core services include advocacy, independent living skills training, information and referral and peer support. Most employees of CILWW are individuals with disabilities who provide a wide base of expertise for assisting consumers. Other resources include assistive technology loan and demonstration, braille documents, computer assessment and training, independent living skills training, benefits analysis, transportation and access to local agencies providing medical assistance personal care.

LIFELINE and LINK-UP

Public Service Commission
610 N. Whitney Way
P.O. Box 7854
Madison, WI 53707-7854
1-800-225-7729

TTY: 608-267-1479

Fax: 608-266-3957

Website: <http://www.psc.wi.gov/>

Eligibility Requirements: Must be in a household that receives W-2, Medical Assistance, SSI, Food Stamps, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, WI Homestead Tax Credit or BadgerCare.

Fees/Payment Options: free to eligible individuals

Overview: Lifeline reduces monthly phone charges so that the monthly bill is no more than \$15 for residential line; touch tone service, 911, and federal line charges, enabling customers to save at least \$7.00 on their bill. Link-up program provides eligible households with a waiver of charges normally associated with local telephone service connection and installation. Charges are waived for new service installation, moves from one residence to another, and reconnection of an existing service. Reduction or waivers of the deposit requirement may be available under the Link-Up program at the option of the telephone company.

Safelink Wireless

Attn: Executive Resolution Department

9700 N.W. 112th Ave

Miami, FL 33178

1-800-safelink

1-800-378-1684 (technical support only)

Website: <https://www.safelinkwireless.com/Safelink/>

Office Hours: Monday –Saturday 7:00am to 9:00pm; Sunday 7:00am – 6:00pm

Fees/Payment Options: Free cell phone service

Overview: Through SafeLink Wireless’ Lifeline Service you can receive a FREE SafeLink Wireless phone and three different plans to choose from with FREE Monthly minutes. One qualifies Lifeline service if you already participate in one of the following assistance programs: Badger Care, Food Stamps, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Medical Assistance (MA), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), WI Homestead Tax Credit (Schedule H), Wisconsin Works (W2) OR Your total household income is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG).

TRANSITION & VOCATIONAL SERVICES

Statewide Initiative on Transition

Transition is defined as the movement, passage, or change from one position, state, stage, subject, concept, etc., to another; change: *the transition from adolescence to adulthood, transition from high school to postsecondary education, transition from school to employment or transition to independent living*. Transition services are designed to meet an individual's unique needs to prepare him/her for postsecondary education, employment and independent living. For more information on the Statewide Initiative on Transition: <http://www.wsti.org/wsti.php>

Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)

Chippewa County Courthouse

711 N. Bridge Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7777 or 1-888-400-6920

Fax: 715-738-2589

Email: ADRC@co.chippewa.wi.us

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: The ADRC is a service center that provides a place for the public to get accurate unbiased information on all aspects of life related to aging and adults with all types of disabilities. Transition aged youth with disabilities can begin the intake process for eligibility for long-term care programs at age 17 yrs. 6 mo. The ADRC provides information and assistance and access to services including a Benefit Specialist and Options Counselors who can help transition aged youth and their families to access an array of community services, whether or not they qualify for disability related long term care services.

Aurora Community Services

406 Technology Drive East
Menomonie, WI 54751
715-235-1839
888-301-5897
Website: <http://www.auroraservices.com/>

Overview:

Situational Assessments / Supported Employment Assessments:

A comprehensive individualized assessment may consist of an interest inventory, job tryouts, work experiences, simulated work tasks, and a social/employment history review. Aurora's assessments are personalized to focus on consumer areas of interest, needs and skill levels. Upon completion of the assessment, a staffing is held with the consumer and his/her team to develop a vocational plan.

Residential Services:

Since 1986 Aurora Residential Alternatives (ARA), a division of Aurora Community Services, has provided compassionate and professional residential alternatives for individuals with developmental disabilities, chronic mental illness, physical disabilities, and traumatic brain injuries.

Job Development and Placement:

Working as a team Aurora assists the consumer to obtain employment that will best match the consumer's interest and skills. A customized job search plan will identify objectives to achieve employment goals. Aurora contacts employers, schedules employment tours, interviews and develops job opportunities.

Job Coaching Supports - Short and Long Term:

After employment is obtained Aurora can provide a qualified job coach to monitor progress, establish natural supports, provide needed assistance and instruction to ensure successful employment.

Center for Independent Living for Western Wisconsin (CILWW)

202 Eau Claire St., Suite 102 or 331 S. Main Street, Suite 6
Eau Claire, WI 54701 Rice Lake, WI 54868
Voice/TTY: 715-514-4200 Voice/TTY: 715/736-1800
Toll Free: 877-577-8452 Toll Free: 800/228-3287
Website: www.cilww.com Website: www.cilww.com

Service Area: Chippewa County, western Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Chippewa is one of 10 Western Wisconsin counties served by CILWW. CILWW advocates for the full participation in society of all persons with disabilities and provides consumer-driven services at no cost. The four core services include Advocacy, Independent Living Skills Training, Information and Referral and Peer Support. Most employees of CILWW are individuals with disabilities who provide a wide base of expertise for assisting consumers. Other resources include Assistive technology loan and demonstration, Braille documents, Computer Assessment and Training, Independent Living Skills Training, Benefits Analysis, Transportation and access to local agencies providing Medical Assistance Personal Care.

Chippewa County Job Center

770 Scheidler Road, #2

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-723-2248

Voice Mail: 715-720-2840

TTY: 715-723-1381

Fax: 715-723-2275

Website: www.workforceresource.org/chippewa.htmlService Area: Chippewa CountyFees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Chippewa County Job Center offers education in a variety of basic courses. Individuals can obtain their High School Equivalency Diploma or GED through the Center. Other areas of education include Career Planning, Resume Writing, Computer Awareness, Keyboarding, Basic English, Grammar, and Writing, Reading Comprehension, Vocabulary, Spelling, Basic Math, and Skill Preparation for College or Employment.

Chippewa River Industries

1000 Lake Wissota Drive

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7822

Office Hours: 7:30am- 4:00pmEligibility Requirements: Individuals with disabilities or other barriers to employmentFees/ Payment Options: employees are paid by piecework

Overview: CRI believes that independence for individuals with disabilities begin with work and employment. They provide services to help individuals develop vocational skills, build work skills, gain work experience, and find and keep the right job in the community or at their own site.

Department of Public Instruction (DPI) Publications Available

Opening Doors Series: Transition Resources for Students with Disabilities Planning for Life after High School

- Opening Doors to Postsecondary Education and Training
- Opening Doors to Employment Planning
- Opening Doors to Self Determination Skills
- Opening Doors to Adult Services

Website: <http://dpi.wi.gov/sped/transition.html>

Copies of the publication are available free of charge to parents/guardians. Please contact your local high school or CESA to obtain a copy.

Department of Workforce Development (DWD)

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Chippewa and Eau Claire County

Eau Claire County Job Center

221 West Madison Street, Suite 140-C

Eau Claire, WI 54703

Voice: 715-836-4263

Toll Free: 800-622-1771

TTY: 888-877-5939

Fax: 715-836-3942

Overview: The Department's primary responsibilities include providing job services, training and employment assistance to people looking for work, at the same time as it works with employers on finding the necessary workers to fill current job openings.

Under the DWD umbrella, a wide variety of employment programs can be found which range from securing jobs for people with disabilities, assisting former welfare recipients as they make a transition into work, Promoting employment in the state through Centers, linking, protecting and enforcing worker's rights, processing unemployment claims and ensuring workers compensation claims are paid in accordance with the law.

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)

Chippewa County Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Eau Claire County Job Center

221 West Madison Street, Suite 140-C

Eau Claire, WI 54703

Toll Free: 800-622-1771

Voice: 715-836-4263

TTY: 888-877-5939

Fax: 715-836-3942

Website: <http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dvr/>

Overview: There is no charge for DVR services. DVR is part of the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development. The Chippewa County counselors are located within the Workforce Resource Offices at the Chippewa Valley Technical College in Chippewa Falls. DVR provides employment services and counseling for people with disabilities who are eligible for their services. They can attend an IEP meeting at least 2 years before a student is planning to graduate to assist with vocational planning. As eligible and as needed; they can coordinate plans, services and supports that will assist the student in achieving the post school employment goal. DVR staff can provide training and technical assistance to employers regarding disability employment opportunities and issues for individuals with disabilities.

Guardian Resources

Western Regional Center (WRC)

715-726-7907

1-800-400-3678

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Parents seeking guardianship information for their young adult with disabilities can contact the Western Regional Center for an appointment to discuss a variety of considerations in making that decision. The Western Regional Center (WRC) staff is available to share a packet of guardianship information including the needed paperwork for parents who seek to be guardians without the specific assistance of an attorney. Some parents may prefer to work with an attorney to facilitate the guardianship process because it can be complicated and feel overwhelming to complete on their own.

They may also wish to use this transition aged opportunity to do estate planning with an attorney for their son or daughter with disabilities. Referrals to attorneys who do guardianship and estate planning are also available through the WRC.

Northwest Pathways to Independence, Inc. (NPI)

512 Bay Street

PO Box 246

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729-0246

715-723-7570 or toll free at 1-888-651-5616

Fax: 715-723-3767

Website: <http://www.northwestpathways.com/index.htm>

Overview: Northwest Pathways To Independence, Inc. is an agency providing community based residential services for adult individuals with a cognitive or physical impairment. We currently provide services for 48 individuals in 15 settings primarily in the Chippewa Valley and surrounding areas. This place offers only residential services.

Post Secondary Education Disability Services for Students with Disabilities

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act, (ADA) Students with disabilities are offered a variety of services and accommodations to insure that both facilities and programs are accessible. Students and/or families seeking services and accommodations may contact the following post-secondary educational institutions for more information.

University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire

Old Library 2136

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Eau Claire WI 54702-4004

715-836-4542

Fax: 715-836-3712

Website: <http://www.uwec.edu/SSD/>

Questions: ssd@uwec.edu

University of Wisconsin - Stout

206 Bowman Hall

802 South Broadway

Menomonie, WI 54751

715-232-2995

Fax: 715-232-2996

Website: <http://www.uwstout.edu/services/disability/>

Chippewa Valley Technical College

Business Education Center

The Learning Center

715-833-6234

Voice: 715-318-3590 WI Relay Number: 711

Email: DisabilityServices@cvtc.edu

Website: <http://www.cvtc.edu/future-students/Student-Services/Disability-Services/Pages/default.aspx>

REM Wisconsin

800 Wisconsin Street
Building D02, Suite 305, Mailbox 82
Eau Claire, WI 54703
715-833-3548

Website: <http://www.remwisconsin.com/welcome.aspx>

Overview: REM Wisconsin has proudly provided quality of life enhancing services to Wisconsin citizens with developmental disabilities and other complex needs since 1987. They offer a range of programming for individuals across the state, including residential services and day and vocational programs. At REM Wisconsin they focus on providing person-centered services and support to help each individual they serve grow and thrive in the communities they call home. Their goal is to provide the highest quality of services to all individuals including a combination of instruction, skill training, counseling, support, personal care and assistance in any area pertinent to successful community living. In keeping with their mission, REM Wisconsin strives for each client to achieve his or her greatest potential for self-sufficiency, empowerment and quality of life. They have a commitment to offering client choice and individualized services, respect for diversity and heritage, and unfaltering regard for client safety and welfare.

REM Wisconsin offers programs to a number of populations including:

Adults with Disabilities: People who have developmental disabilities are offered programs that range in intensity and setting according to their needs and desires – from highly supervised residential programs to hourly supports and more independent supported living.

Children with Disabilities: REM Wisconsin provides supports for children with disabilities so they have an opportunity to stay in their own communities in a safe and healthy environment.

Individuals with Acquired Brain Injury: People who have sustained an acquired brain injury can choose from a growing array of services and supports that adapt to their changing needs. Our services are designed to help the individual live a full and productive life, as independently as possible.

REACH

2125 Third Street
Eau Claire, WI 54703
715-833-7755

Website: <http://www.reach-inc.org/home>

Contact: Program Coordinators: Holly Bowe-Ganong & Anne Woolever; CEO: Stacy H. Wigfield

Overview: Reach, Inc. is a community-based private non-profit organization whose mission is to provide innovative opportunities for people, in order to promote self-determination and full participation in the community regardless of their ability. Adult Pre-Vocational and Life Skills Program - Menomonie and Eau Claire.

Reach, Inc (Regional Enterprises for Adults and Children, Inc.)

1324 West Clairemont Avenue, Suite 1

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-552-2763

Website: <http://www.reach-inc.org/home>

Fees/Payment Options: fee for service

Overview: Reach, Inc is a community-based private non-profit organization whose mission is to provide innovative opportunities for people, in order to promote self-determination and full participation in the community regardless of their ability.

Employment Programs

Adult Day and Vocational Program

Supported Self-Employment and Resource Center

Supported Employment Services

Adult Care & Growth Programs

Adult Day Program

Helen's House

Selma House

School Transition Services

Website: <http://www.wsti.org>

Overview: Young adults with Individual Education Plans (IEPs) may choose to stay in school until they are 21. The student's IEP should include measurable transition goals that reflect the student's plans after leaving school. School staff should be working with families to explore skill development and post-secondary options to assist with the transition to adult services and opportunities for education, training and employment in the community. Learn more at the website listing above.

Stout Vocational Rehabilitation Institute

101 Vocational Rehabilitation

University of Wisconsin-Stout

Menomonie, Wisconsin 54751

715/232-2513

Website: <http://www.uwstout.edu/svri/index.cfm>

Fees/Payment Options:

Overview: The Stout Vocational Rehabilitation Institute, located at the University of Wisconsin–Stout in Menomonie, provides solutions to positively impact the future of persons with disabilities and others in the community through services, training, and research. Services include Assistive Technology, Benefits Analysis, Employment Services and Evaluation Services.

Supplemental Security Income- SSI

Social Security Administration (for general information and services)

4120 Oakwood Hills Pkwy

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-836-6645

Toll Free: 1-800-772-1213

Website: www.ssa.gov (includes online applications)

Fees/Payment Options: free to eligible individuals

Overview: SSI is a needs-based program, so eligibility is based on an adult disability determination along with a consideration of income and assets. Once an individual is 18 years old, the social security administration will consider only that person's income and assets, even if they are still living at home with their parents. Disability determination for adults is different for adults than for children because it is based on the individual's medical disability and their ability to work. If an adult is found eligible for SSI, then they are eligible automatically for Medicaid in Wisconsin. The application cannot be submitted before the month of the individual's 18th birthday, but the application process can be begun earlier on line at: <http://www.ssa.gov>. If additional information is needed, it is possible to stop at any point and save it using a *re-entry number* so that the application process can be continued at a later date.

Western Regional Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs

Chippewa County Courthouse

711 N. Bridge Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7908, ext. 2-2131

Toll Free: 1-800-400-3678

Fax: 715-738-2589

Website: www.co.chippewa.wi.us/ccdph/cshcn

Service Area: Chippewa County, western Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: The Western Regional Center (WRC) provides current information and assistance to transition aged youth (14-21) and their parents about a comprehensive array of resources including health benefits, SSI, guardianship, vocational training, transition to adult health care and referral to the ADRC or long term care eligibility. The WRC staff specializes in helping parents and youth with problem solving using creative solutions and person centered planning. Chippewa County is one of 18 counties in the WRC service area, and there is no charge to consumers and callers for their services.

TUTORING & INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

Children's Dyslexia Center of Upper Wisconsin (WICDC)

616 Graham Ave

Eau Claire 54701

715-598-4986

Website: <http://www.wicdc.org/>

Service Area: greater Chippewa Valley

Overview: Located in Eau Claire, Wisconsin but serves children in the entire greater Chippewa Valley. Dyslexia, which is a language-based learning disability, affects as many as 1 in 5 people – many of whom are of average or above average intelligence and excel dramatically when given the resources to do so

Master's Driving School, The

W7366 Flambeau Point Road

Ladysmith, WI 54848

715-532-0327

Email: timthemaster@charter.net

Fees/Payment Options: \$20/hour -private pay

Overview: Provides driver evaluation and training for people with disabilities.

Northwest Reading Clinic

2600 Stein Blvd.

Eau Claire, WI, 54701

715-834-2754

Fees/Payment Options: Fee for Service

Service Area: all of Wisconsin

Website: <http://www.northwestreadingclinic.com>

Overview: A diagnostic center specializing in diagnosing and treating reading, spelling and comprehension difficulties for students ages five through adult. They also develop visual memory for letters, sight word recognition, vocabulary, writing, math, and study skills. Following a thorough diagnostic testing and evaluation, students attend daily sessions for one-on-one treatment by experienced, well trained clinicians.

Sylvan Learning Center of Eau Claire

3004 Golf Rd., Ste. 101

Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54701

715-858-1234

Service Area: Chippewa Valley

Fees/Payment Options: Fee for Services

Website: <http://tutoring.sylvanlearning.com/eauclairetutoring/about-your-local-center.cfm>

Overview: Offers a choice of tutoring programs to help students improve overall. Their proven process begins with a Sylvan Skills Assessment test that is designed to identify your child's strengths and needs, so that they can then create a personalized program that's right for your child. Trained and certified teachers ensure that your child receives the individualized attention necessary to master the skills needed to do better in school and better in life.

Think and Say Tutoring

22 S. Prairie Street, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-563-2836

Email: thinkandsaytutoring@msn.com

Fees/Payment Options: \$20/hour -private pay

Overview: Designed to help kids of all ages (preschool to grade 12) who may be struggling with social and communication skills. Hour long sessions focus on building self-confidence and self-control. Small group/one-on-one sessions allow for interaction as well as individual attention. Personal objectives and goals will be set for each child and progress carefully monitored. Sessions are held at the former Notre Dame grade school building in Chippewa Falls.

VISION & HEARING SERVICES

Guide By Your Side: The Wisconsin Educational Services Program for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

608-266-6438

Voice/TTY: 1-888-656-8556

Service Area: Wisconsin

Eligibility Requirements: Parent of a child with hearing loss

Fees/Payment Options: no charge

Overview: Program provides a Parent Guide who can answer questions, provide support and information, share what it is like to parent a child who is deaf or hard of hearing, and connect parents to other people and resources that may be able to help.

Office for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

WESTERN REGION

610 Gibson St, Suite 1

Eau Claire WI 54701

Phone: 715-836-2107 or 715-271-9040 (cell)

Website: <http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/sensory/>

Contact: Carolyn Small

Email: Carolyn.Small@dhs.wisconsin.gov

Fax: (715) 836-2535

Service Area: Counties: Bayfield, Barron, Buffalo, Burnett, Clark Chippewa, Crawford, Douglas, Dunn, Eau Claire, Jackson, La Crosse, Monroe, Pierce, Pepin, Polk, Rusk, St Croix, Sawyer, Trempealeau, Vernon, Washburn

Overview: The Office for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing provides information and referral services on a variety of topics tailored to the unique needs of Deaf, Deafblind, or Hard of Hearing residents including but not limited to: accommodation needs as well as requirements; available services; communication access; employment; hearing loss; and technology. The Office for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing provides free in-service training or presentations for public and private service providers or organizations seeking to broaden their knowledge of the Deaf, Deafblind or Hard of Hearing communities.

Telecommunications Equipment Purchase Program – TEPP

To obtain an application contact: Public Service Commission USF Administrator
P.O. Box 7854 Williams Young, LLC
Madison, WI 53707-7854 P.O. Box 8700

Voice: 608-231-3305

TTY: 608-274-4448

Fax: 608-274-8085

Website: <http://psc.wi.gov/consumerinfo/assistanceprograms/tepp/tepp-ind.htm>

Service Area: State of Wisconsin

Eligibility Requirements: Must be a Wisconsin resident, be a person who is deaf, hard of hearing, speech impaired, or mobility or motion impaired, and need special equipment to use the telephone. No age or income limits for TEPP, but income limits do apply for a related program called TAP.

Fees/Payment Options: Applicant pays the first \$100 towards the purchase of equipment. The TEPP voucher pays the rest, up to the maximum voucher amount. The Telecommunication Assistance Program (TAP) may be available to pay the \$100 co-pay for persons who are deaf, deaf-blind, or hard of hearing in a low-income household. The TEPP and TAP applications are combined. Those applying for TAP funding will need to include income information for all household members and a hearing loss certificate.

Overview: TEPP is a program to help people with disabilities buy equipment they need in order to use basic telephone services. The TEPP is paid for by the Wisconsin Universal Service Fund (USF). The amount of TEPP funding received depends upon an individual's disability. Benefits range from \$200 for someone who is hard of hearing, to \$7200 for someone who is blind and deaf. Applicants who are hard of hearing do not need to pay the \$100 co-pay.

Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired (WCBVI)

1700 West State Street

Janesville, WI 53546

800.832.9784 (for Wisconsin Residents only) or 608.758.6100

Website: <http://www.wcbvi.k12.wi.us/index.html>

Fees/Payment Options:

Service Area: Wisconsin

Overview The WCBVI operates the Wisconsin School for the Visually Handicapped (WSVH), a residential school for blind and visually impaired K-12 students. The school, in addition to providing a general education curriculum, offers intensive instruction in skills which minimize the effects of blindness (e.g. Braille instruction, travel with white cane, use of technology, appropriate social skills which would otherwise be learned incidentally through sight, etc.). The WCBVI, through its Janesville campus/school and the regional sites, provide a wide array of statewide services, assessments, summer/weekend programs, resources, and professional opportunities.

CLOTHING

Chippewa Senior Center Thrift Shop

1000 E. Grand Avenue

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00am-4:00pm, except holidays

Fees/Payment Options: affordable prices

Overview: Used clothes at affordable prices. Open to all shoppers.

Community Clothes Closet, The

1003 17th Ave.

Bloomer, WI 54724

715-568-2989

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Families can receive clothing free of charge on Fridays from 1:00-4:00 p.m. Services are also available the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at Trinity Methodist Church in Chippewa Falls.

Community Pantry and Clothing Closet, The

(above Amundson's Appliance)

11 West Central Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-720-4505

Website: <http://www.communitypantrycf.org/#>

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Open Saturdays 9:00a.m. to Noon. Provide food, clothing, and some household and personal hygiene products. Open for emergency appointments during the week.

Goodwill

3605 Gateway Drive

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-835-0532

Website: <http://www.goodwillncw.org>

Fees/Payment Options: affordable prices

Overview: Goodwill is a thrift store offering a variety items including clothing and household items. Goodwill's mission is to improve the community by improving the lives of its people through services, partnerships, collaborations and the responsible use of community resources.

Grandma's Closet

Sponsored by the Eau Claire YMCA

700 Graham Avenue

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-836-8460 or the warm-line at 715-835-1944 or 715-225-0404

Email: info@gap-ec.org

Website: www.gap-ec.org

Service Area: Chippewa Valley

Fees/Payment Options: Items are available for short term use for a nominal fee

Overview: Can help grandparents and others with some immediate needs such as: cribs/toddler beds, high chairs, play pens, safety gates, bedding and other necessities to help you set up a safe & comfortable home for a child.

Hope Gospel Mission (Bargain Center)

2511 Moholt Drive

Eau Claire, WI 54703

715-839-9498

Website: http://www.hopegospelmission.org/missionBiz/bargain_center/

Store Hours: Daily 9am-8pm except Wed & Sat 9am-6pm.

Fees/Payment Options: affordable prices

Overview: Hope Gospel Mission's Bargain Center has 20 different departments offering savings on new and used merchandise. Items are added daily to the store's shelves and racks. Shoppers get great deals, but also help transform the lives of the poor and homeless people our programs serve. Donations accepted: Weekdays 10am-5pm, Sat 10am-3pm, closed Sundays.

Rustic Resale & Consignment

301 N. Washington Street

Thorp, WI 54771

715-669-5097

Hours: Open Monday-Friday 9:30a.m.-6:00p.m., Saturdays 9:30a.m.-3:00p.m., closed Sundays and all holidays.

Fees/Payment Options: affordable prices

Overview: New and used clothes at affordable prices.

Savers

2833 Mall Drive

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-835-8500

Hours: Mon-Sat 9-9, Sun 10-6

Website: www.savers.com

Fees/Payment Options: affordable prices

Overview: Savers is a thrift store that carries clothing, authentic vintage finds, housewares, collectibles, furniture and unexpected treasures at every turn. Their mission is to provide customers with the best selection and shopping experience of any thrift store in the world. Savers was founded on principles such as giving back and providing opportunities—core values they embrace today.

DENTAL SERVICES

All Family Dental

3131 Stein Blvd.

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-835-7172

Website: allfamilydental.org

Fees/Payment Options: Medical Assistance for some services for children under 6 years

Overview: Provides dental service to individuals who have Medical Assistance and private insurance.

Chippewa Valley Technical College Dental Clinic

620 W Clairemont Ave.

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-833-6370

Website: <http://www.dentalcenter.com/Chippewa-Valley-Technical-College-Campuses-CTRS---Dental-Clinic-Rural-He-22702.html>

(shortened link: <http://tinyurl.com/346y3p9>)

Fees/Payment Options: sliding fee

Overview: Provides dental service to individuals with Medical Assistance.

Marshfield Dental Clinic

850 Lakeland Drive

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-738-2000

Website: <http://www.marshfieldclinic.org/patients/default.aspx?page=centers&code=CHID>

(shortened link: <http://tinyurl.com/32tyaoe>)

Fees/Payment Options: sliding fee

Overview: Provides dental service to individuals who are uninsured, have Medical Assistance or private insurance.

Smiles in Motion - Dr. Amanda Spitz, DDS

582 Lakeland Drive

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-723-2000

Website: <http://sim4kids.com/>

Fees/Payment Options: Medical Assistance for some services for children under 6 years

Overview: Smiles in Motion specializes in pediatric dentistry and oral surgery. They accept Medical Assistance for some services for children under 6 years of age.

DENTAL

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & SEXUAL ASSAULT

Bolton Refuge House

807 S. Farwell St.

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-834-9578 or 1-800-252-4357

Website: <http://boltonrefugehouse.org/index.htm>

Email: boltonrefugehouse@att.net

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Bolton Refuge House offers emergency shelter for victims of sexual assault or domestic violence who do not feel safe in their own homes. Advocates are also on duty 24 hours and can help you make a safety plan, access services with other agencies, and decide for yourself what options are right for you. They also operate a special needs daycare center and run a transitional living program.

Family Support Center

403 High Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-723-1138 or 1-800-400-7020 (24 hour crisis line)

Email: familysupport01@sbcglobal.net

Website: <http://www.familysupportcentercf.com/>

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Provides an array of services for children and adults including: Domestic Violence Intervention, Sexual Assault Support & Counseling, Parent Support & Prevention Services, Community Education and Referral, & Safe Exchange services for families. All services are confidential and free of charge.

EARLY EDUCATION & CHILD CARE

Birth-to 3 Program – Chippewa County Department of Human Services

Chippewa County Department of Human Services

711 N. Bridge Street, Room #305

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7805

Website:

http://www.co.chippewa.wi.us/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=162&Itemid=242

(shortened link: <http://tinyurl.com/372bt7o>)

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/payment Options: Could potentially be a fee

Overview: Birth to 3 is Wisconsin's early intervention program for infants and toddlers with developmental delays and disabilities and their families. Opportunities are provided for a child to increase skills and abilities. The goal is to help children participate in their communities. In addition to the skills the child develops, Birth to 3 programs are committed to providing services in a way that makes sense for each family. This "family centered" program recognizes the importance of parents, family, and friends in a young child's life. The early intervention team will provide ideas and techniques to help a family enhance their child's development and learning potential. Our access team is responsible for accepting requests for children with special needs services and providing referrals and information to community services.

Building Bridges 4 Children (BB4C)

1345 Ridgewood Drive

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-2785

Email: bb4c@chipfalls.k12.wi.us

Website: <http://staff.chipfalls.k12.wi.us/bb4c/index.html>

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Building Bridges 4 Children (BB4C), the Chippewa Falls Area Unified School District's (CFAUSD) 4-year-old Early Learning program, is a public preschool for any child in the district who is 4-years-old on or by September 1st. Classrooms are in community childcare settings. Transportation is provided and opportunities for parent involvement are plentiful.

Child Care Partnership Resource & Referral

1-800-782-1880 or 715-831-1700

Website: <http://www.westerndairyland.org/ccpr/childcare.html>

Service Area: Western Wisconsin

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Child Care Partnership Resource & Referral maintains a database of all regulated child care programs in Buffalo, Chippewa, Dunn, Eau Claire, Jackson, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, St. Croix and Trempealeau Counties, including the Ho-Chunk Nation. Parents may access this database to obtain a free customized list of childcare options in their area. This service is available to the entire community and there are no income guidelines.

Early Childhood Special Education

Contact your local school district for an evaluation or to see if you may qualify for services.

Overview: Educating young children (ages 3-5 Years) with disabilities. Each school district in Wisconsin is responsible for providing a continuum of Special Education and Related Services to children with disabilities and who need special education. Children are evaluated to determine if they meet the state's eligibility criteria. Special education and related services may provide consultation to staff, direct services to the child, training related to the disability, and other services that are identified in the child's Individualized Education Program.

Early Head Start/Head Start

Main CESA 11 office:

225 Ostermann Drive

Turtle Lake, WI 54889

715-986-2020, 800-352-6283

Website: <http://www.cesa11.k12.wi.us/hs/>

Fees/Payment Options: free to families who meet income eligibility requirements.

Sites:

Chippewa Falls

Cornell

Stanley-Boyd

715-723-1211

715-239-3301

715-667-3104

Overview: Offers multiple options:

Center Based Option: for children 3-5 yrs of age; meet 4 days/week for 3 ½ hours each day. Families receive 4 home visits, and 2 conferences per year; Parent Involvement Activities occur monthly; Transportation may be provided, with stipends available for 4K enrollees.

Head Start Combination Option: for 3 year old children; 2 classroom days/week for 3 ½ hours each day; families receive 16 home visits; Parent Involvement Activities occur monthly.

Home Visit Option: 3-5 year-old children; 32 Home Visits (weekly)-September through May; 16 Gatherings (2 per month); Transportation stipends are available; Parent Involvement Activities occur monthly.

EHS Service Option for Children 0-3yrs and Pregnant Teens: Families are visited in their home 2 times per month for a minimum of 1 ½ hours per visit; Parents and children together attend weekly gatherings every week for 2 ½ - 3 hours; Parent Involvement Activities at the Head Start center; Pregnant enrollees develop an individualized family partnership process to best serve their needs; Transportation stipends are available.

HS School Age Parent Combination Option: A program for parenting and pregnant high school students; Students receive 64 sessions consisting of high school classes for credit and socialization opportunities at the EHS center; Pregnant students develop an individualized family partnership process to best serve their needs; Students receive 16 home visits; Parent Involvement opportunities occur monthly; Transportation stipends are available.

Eau Claire 4 Tomorrow (EC4T)

500 Main Street

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-852-3077

Email: headstart@ecasd.k12.wi.us

Website: http://www.ecasd.k12.wi.us/teachinglearning/coa_tl_ec4t.cfm

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: 4-year old program for children who live in the Eau Claire Area School District or have open enrolled, and are 4 years old on or before September 1st. Offers a choice of classrooms in community childcare centers, preschool centers, or district locations. Transportation is provided for families who request it. Also includes parent and family activities.

EDUCATION

PUBLIC SCHOOLS – CHIPPEWA COUNTY

Bloomer School District

District Office: 1310 17th Ave

Bloomer WI 54724

District Office: 715-568-2800

District Website: <http://www.bloomer.k12.wi.us>

Elementary School: 715-568-1042, 1715 Oak St.

Middle School: 715-568-1025, 600 Jackson St.

High School: 715-568-5300, 1310 17th Ave.

Cadott School District

District Office: P.O. Box 310

426 Myrtle Street

Cadott, WI 54727

District Office: 715-289-3795

District Website: <http://www.cadott.k12.wi.us>

Elementary School: 715-289-4213

Junior/Senior High School: 715-289-4211

Chippewa Falls Area Unified School District

Board Office: 1130 Miles Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Administrative Office: 715-726-2417

District Website: <http://cfsd.chipfalls.k12.wi.us>

Halmstad Elementary: 715-726-2415, 565 E. South Ave

Hillcrest Elementary: 715-726-2405, 1200 Miles St.

Jim Falls Elementary: 715-720-3260, 13643 198th Street

Parkview Elementary: 715-720-3750, 501 Jefferson Avenue

Southview Elementary: 715-726-2411, 615 A Street

Stillson Elementary: 715-726-2412, 17250 County Hwy. J

Middle School: 715-726-2400, 750 Tropicana Boulevard

Senior High School: 715-726-2406, 735 Terrill Street

Chippewa Valley High School: 715-723-5542, 2820 E. Park Avenue

Chippewa Valley Middle School: 715-723-5542, 140 W. Elm Street

Family Support & Resource Coordinator

Chippewa Falls Area Unified School District

Family Support and Resource Coordinator

Shannon Larson

715-720-3750 x. 4576

Email: larsonsr@chipfalls.k12.wi.us .

Website: http://cfsd.chipfalls.k12.wi.us/faculty/larsonsr/?from_faculty_listing=1&l=&u=

Overview: She works with families, children and school personnel at the elementary schools within the Chippewa Falls Area Unified School District. She can provide assistance with: emotional support; connecting with other community agencies; developing ways to promote regular attendance; obtaining and providing parenting support and resources; mediating between home and school; consulting on a

variety of issues; finding day care; locating housing, clothing, food and employment options and obtaining medical insurance and vision and dental care. She will meet with families in their home or at school - whichever is most comfortable. Together she can help you identify your strengths and locate resources to find solutions to just about any problem.

Cornell School District

District Office: 111 S. 4th Street
P.O. Box 517
Cornell, WI 54732

District Website: <http://www.cornell.k12.wi.us>
Elementary School: 715-239-6577, 111 South 4th St.
Junior/Senior High School: 715-239-6464, 708 Bridge Street

Eau Claire Area School District

District Office: 500 Main Street, Eau Claire, WI 54701

District Office: 715-825-3000

District Website: <http://www.ecasd.k12.wi.us/>

Note: Some Chippewa County residents live in the Eau Claire Area School District attendance area. Those schools would include:

Sam Davey Elementary: 715-852-3200, 3000 Starr Ave., Eau Claire, 54703
Locust Lane Elementary: 715-852-3700, 3245 Locust Lane, Eau Claire, 54703
Northstar Middle School: 715-852-5100, 2711 Abbe Hill Dr., Eau Claire, 54703
North High School: 715-852-6600, 1801 Piedmont Rd., Eau Claire, 54703

Lake Holcombe School District

27331 262nd Ave.
Holcombe, WI 54745
715-595-4241

Website: <http://www.lakeholcombe.k12.wi.us>
Grades: Pre-K – 12th grade

New Auburn School District

P.O. Box 110
704 N East Street
New Auburn WI, 54757

Administrative Office: 715-237-2202
Website: <http://www.newauburn.k12.wi.us>
Elementary School: 715-237-2202
High School: 715-237-2505

Stanley Boyd Area School District

507 E. 1st Ave
Stanley, WI 54768
Administrative/Office: 715-644-5534
Website: <http://www.stanleyboyd.k12.wi.us>
Elementary School: 715-644-5534, ext. 106
Middle/High School: 715-644-5534, ext. 111

PRIVATE & PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS

For a complete listing of Wisconsin Private Schools go to <http://dpi.wi.gov/privateschools.aspx>

Christ Lutheran School

467 E. Colome Street
 Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
 715-723-3697
Email: secretary@christlutheran.info
Website: <http://www.christlutheranschool.org/>
Fees/Payment Options: tuition fees
Grades: K-7

Crestview Academy

1519 Peterson Avenue
 Eau Claire WI 54703
 715-835-2275
Email: arnie.prokott@crestviewacademy.com
Website: <http://crestviewacademy.com/>
Fees/Payment Options: tuition fees
 Elementary School
Grades: K-8

Eternity Learning Center

250 E 10th Avenue
 Stanley, WI 54768
 715-644-4881
Fees/Payment Options: tuition fees
 Combined Elementary/Secondary School
Grades: K-12

Faith Christian Academy

705 Madison Street
 Stanley, WI 54768
 715-644-2001
Email: loricz@centurytel.net
Fees/Payment Options: tuition fees
Grades: K-12

Holy Family Catholic School

136 E 3rd Avenue
 Stanley, WI 54768
 715-644-3602
Fees/Payment Options: tuition fees
Grades: K-6

Holy Ghost Elementary School

436 S Main Street
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
715-723-6478
Website: <http://www.cacs.k12.wi.us/holyghost.html>
Fees/Payment Options: tuition fees
Grades: 4-6

Liberty Christian School

4140 126th Street
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
715-723-0336
Email: office@lcschip.org
Website: <http://www.lcschip.org/>
Fees/Payment Options: tuition fees
Overview: The purpose of Liberty's Independent Study Program is to provide teaching, support, training, encouragement, and accountability to those families desiring to use home education. Our educational program provides curriculum, lesson plans, grading, report cards, achievement tests, tutoring, cumulative records, and diplomas. You can sign up for the full program or select only the options that best suit your educational program needs.

McDonell Central High School

1316 Bel Air Blvd.
Chippewa Falls WI 54729
715-723-9126
Website: <http://www.cacs.k12.wi.us/mcdonell.html>
Fees/Payment Options: tuition fees
Grades: 9-12

Notre Dame Middle School

1316 Bel Air Blvd.
Chippewa Falls WI 54729
715-723-4777
Website: <http://www.cacs.k12.wi.us/notredame.html>
Fees/Payment Options: Tuition fees
Grades: 7-8

St. Charles Borromeo Primary School

429 W Spruce Street
Chippewa Falls WI 54729
715-723-5827
Website: <http://www.cacs.k12.wi.us/stcharles.html>
Fees/Payment Options: tuition fees
Grades: K-3

St. Joseph's Catholic School

P.O. Box 159
 222 W. McRae Street
 Cadott, WI 54727
 715-289-4985
Email: principal@churchofstrose.org
Website: <http://www.cacs.k12.wi.us/StJoseph.html>
Fees/Payment Options: tuition fees
Grades: 4 year-old Kindergarten, 1-8

St. Paul's Catholic School

1210 Main Street
 Bloomer, WI 54724
 715-568-3233
Email: stpaulad@bloomer.net
Website: <http://www.bloomer.net/~stpauls/>
Fees/Payment Options: tuition fees
Grades: Pre-K through 8th grade

St. Paul's Lutheran School

1319 Larson Street
 Bloomer, WI 54724
 715-568-5544
Email: school@bloomerchurch.org
Website: <http://www.bloomerchurch.org/school.html>
Fees/Payment Options: tuition fees
Grades: 4K-8

St. Peter's Catholic School

11370 County Highway Q
 Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
 715-288-6250
Website: <http://www.cacs.k12.wi.us/StPeters.html>
Fees/Payment Options: tuition fees
Grades: 1-8

CHARTER SCHOOLS

Chippewa Valley Montessori Charter School

400 Cameron Street

Eau Claire, WI 54703

715-852-6951

Website: <http://www.cms4schools.com/ecasd/schools/charter/montessori/>

Service Area: Eau Claire Area School District, can apply to open enroll

Fees/Payment Options: free public school

Overview: The Chippewa Valley Montessori Charter School provides a Montessori environment for children aged 4 through 11 years old. The school provides a non-graded, individualized Montessori learning environment designed to foster self-confidence, build a solid academic foundation, and develop a lifelong love of learning within each child.

Grades: children ages 4-11 years old

McKinley Charter School

1266 McKinley Road

Eau Claire, WI 54703

715-852-6901

Website: <http://www.mckinleycharter.org/>

Service Area: Eau Claire Area School District, can apply to open enroll

Fees/Payment Options: free public school

Overview: Public middle and high school. The mission of the McKinley Charter School is to educate students for responsible behavior in their home, school, and community. The school meets students where they are and helps them move forward academically and behaviorally. The discipline model used is designed to foster self-control.

Grades: public middle and high school

Virtual Charter Schools in Wisconsin-complete list

Website: <http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/doc/virtualsch1011.doc>

Wisconsin Charter Schools in Wisconsin-additional information

Website: <http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/csindex.html>

HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY DIPLOMA (HSED) PROGRAMS

Challenge Academy

656 South O Street
Fort McCoy, WI 54656
1-866-968-8422

Email: challenge@wisconsin.gov

Website: <http://www.challengeacademy.org>

Service Area: Wisconsin residents

Fees/Payment Options: none

Overview: HSED program for youth, male or female, age 16 and 9 months thru age 18 with these circumstances: high school dropout; expelled; home schooled, but it's not working; habitual truant and over a year behind in credits; attending school but over a year behind in credits. Must not be currently on parole or probation for other than juvenile status offenses, not awaiting sentencing, and not under indictment, charged, or convicted of a felony. Classes begin each January and July. All students must apply, forms are available online.

Chippewa County Job Center

770 Scheidler Road, #2
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
715-723-2248

Voice mail: 715-720-2840

TTY: 715-723-1381

Fax: 715-723-2275

Website: <http://www.workforceresource.org/chippewa.html>

Fees/Payment Options: none

Overview: Chippewa County Job Center offers education in a variety of basic courses. Individuals can obtain their High School Equivalency Diploma or GED through the Center. Other areas of education include Career Planning, Resume Writing, Computer Awareness, Keyboarding, Basic English, Grammar, and Writing, Reading Comprehension, Vocabulary, Spelling, Basic Math, and Skill Preparation for College or Employment.

Chippewa Valley Technical College

620 W. Clairemont Avenue
Eau Claire, WI 54701
715-833-6200 or 1-800-547-2882

Website: <http://www.cvtc.edu/pages/571.asp>

Fees/Payment Options: GED/HSED preparatory assistance free

Overview: CVTC offers Academic Services for those needing assistance preparing take the GED/HSED tests.

OTHER SCHOOL RESOURCES

District Parent Liaisons – CESA 10

715-456-1921

Website: http://dpi.wi.gov/sped/par_liaison.html

Service Area: School districts in the Cooperative Educational Service Agency (CESA) 10 region.

Fees/Payment Options: no charge for services

Overview: District Parent Liaisons are parents of children with disabilities who work with parents and educators from their school districts to promote positive partnerships and provide support to families of children with special needs. Liaisons are familiar with the various emotions, difficulties and joys that parents experience. They have also been involved in the parents' school district and understand how the district operates. Thus, they can help "build bridges" between parents and schools. They can give parents information about workshops and trainings being offered, and can act as a coach/mentor in the IEP process. They design effective forms of communication between school and home, and include parents in school decisions, such as their child's special education plan.

Chippewa Falls Schools Parent Facilitator:

Lauri Malnory

715-726-2414 x-3030

Email: malnorlr@cfsd.k12.wi.us

Eau Claire Schools Parent Facilitator:

Lauri Malnory

715-852-3075

Email: lmalnory@ecasd.k12.wi.us

CESA 10 (Cooperative Educational Service Agency)

725 West Park Avenue

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-723-0341

Website: <http://www.cesa10.k12.wi.us/>

Overview: CESA 10 provides a number of programs and educational materials to 29 school districts in the area. CESA 10 Special Education Department also assists local districts in the provision of appropriate educational services for children with disabilities.

CESA 10 Parent Facilitator:

Tanya Williams

715-456-1921

Email: Twilliams@cesa10.k12.wi.us

CESA 11 (Cooperative Educational Service Agency)

225 Ostermann Drive

Turtle Lake, WI

715-786-2020

Website: <http://www.cesa11.k12.wi.us/>

Overview: CESA 11 provides services to children, teachers, administrators, school boards and schools in the form of both direct and indirect educational services. Direct services include providing onsite teachers, Para educators, therapists, etc. Indirect services include leadership, consultation, staff development, resource materials, grant administration, and other assistance to better serve the students in our schools.

CESA 11 Parent Facilitator:

Pat Rynda

715-262-3065

Email: patr@cesa11.k12.wi.us

Free & Reduced Cost School Meals

Contact: Contact your local School District Office for an application.

Fees/Payment Options: free or reduced cost

Overview: All schools have a free/reduced cost meal program for children. Families on Food Share, BadgerCare, or medical assistance are eligible. ALL families need to complete an application.

Home School Forms and Information:

Website: <http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/homeb.html>

Wisconsin Statewide Parent-Educator Initiative (WSPEI)

Parent Involvement in Education for Children with Disabilities

Website: <http://dpi.wi.gov/sped/parent.html>

Fees/Payment Options:

Overview: The Wisconsin Statewide Parent-Educator Initiative (WSPEI) is a service for parents, educators, and others interested in parent-educator partnerships for children with disabilities. WSPEI is all about partnerships. Its goal is to help parents and school districts find or create the resources that will help them build positive working relationships that lead to shared decision making and children's learning. It supports increased sharing of information among parents, schools, projects, organizations and agencies through networking meetings, conferences, person-to-person contact, and media.

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EMPLOYMENT

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)

Chippewa County Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

Eau Claire County Job Center

221 West Madison Street, Suite 140-C

Eau Claire, WI 54703

Toll Free: 800-622-1771

Voice: 715-836-4263

TTY: 888-877-5939

Fax: 715-836-3942

Website: <http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dvr/>

Overview: Provides employment services and counseling to people with disabilities. Provides or arrange for services to enable an individual to go to work. Provides training and technical assistance to employers regarding disability employment issues.

Workforce Resource (West Central Wisconsin)

Chippewa County Job Center

770 Scheidler Road, #2

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-723-2248

Voice mail: 715-720-2840

Fax: 715-723-2275

TTY: 715-723-1381

Website: <http://www.workforceresource.org/>

Website: <http://www.workforceresource.org/chippewa.html>

Overview: Job seeker and employer resources and information for West Central Wisconsin

FOOD ASSISTANCE

Agnes' Table

Trinity United Methodist Church

201 W. Central St.

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Meals are served to anyone at no charge every Tuesday and Thursday from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Barnabas Table

When: Meals served 5:30-7:00pm Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Where: 19 West Spring Street (715) 720-8087

Web: <http://www.barnabashouse.net/>

Bloomer Community Food Pantry

808 Jackson St

Bloomer, WI 54724

715-568-3733

Service Area: Bloomer and New Auburn residents only

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Open Fridays from 1:00-4:00 p.m. Emergency assistance is available by appointment only. Individuals can go on a weekly basis or as needed. No referral or ID needed.

Cadott Food Pantry

Christian Community Center

329 Main St.

Cadott, WI 54727

715-289-4941

Service Area: Cadott residents only

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Open Fridays 2:00-4:00 p.m. Can go twice per month as needed, and need to provide proof of address and income.

CARElink

Landmark Church

4140 126th Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-1332

Service Area: Chippewa Falls

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Interfaith collaborative food/gas assistance. Families can use once every 6 months for gas and food vouchers. Open every Thursday from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Chippewa Area Food Pantry

521 N. Bridge Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-9506

Service Area: Families in the Chippewa Falls School District

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Open Mon: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 2:00-4:00 p.m.; Wed: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thurs 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Please use back entrance. For all adults, picture ID and proof of address is needed. For all children, birth certificates or Forward Cards are needed. Can go once per month, and appointments are encouraged.

Chippewa County Fresh Food Distribution

Chippewa River Industries

1000 Lake Wissota Dr.

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Free fruits, vegetables, dairy products and bakery goods available. To participate, ask for an ID number from your local food pantry. Bring 6 plastic bags and a large box. Available the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 4:00-5:00p.m.

Come Now and Eat

St John's Lutheran Church

215 E Seminary St. Cadott, WI 54727

715- 289-4512

When: Serving dinner the fourth Wednesday of the month from 4:30 to 6 PM.

This location offers a Backpack Program.

Community Pantry and Clothing Closet, The

(above Amundson's Appliance)

11 West Central St.

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-720-4505

Website: <http://www.communitypantrycf.org/#>

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Open Saturdays 9:00a.m.- Noon. Provide food, clothing, and some household and personal hygiene products. Open for emergency appointments during the week.

Cornell Food Pantry

401 S. 2nd Avenue

Cornell, WI 54732

715-827-0190

Service Area: Cornell area

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Breakfast served Thursdays from 7:30-8:45 a.m. Groceries available Tuesdays from 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Emergency assistance is available by appointment.

Eau Claire Community Table, The

320 Putnam Street

Eau Claire, WI 54703

715-835-4977 (near Banbury Place)

Website: <http://www.thecommunitytable.org>

Service Area: Eau Claire and surrounding area

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Serves lunch from 11:30a.m. -1:00p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday. Serves dinner from 5:00-6:15 p.m. Tuesday and Friday and from 3:00-4:00p.m. on Sunday. Meals are served to anyone in need of a meal for any reason.

First Presbyterian Church Food Pantry

130 West Central Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-723-5717

Website: <http://www.fpcchippewa.org>

Service Area: Families in Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: Free

Overview: Groceries available Tuesdays and Thursdays 10 a.m. – noon. Can visit three times in six months. Non-perishable food and some household and personal hygiene products.

Food Share (Food Stamps)

711 North Bridge Street, Room #305

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7840

Toll Free: [For a phone interview call](http://www.badgercareplus.org) 1-800-291-2002.

Website: <http://www.badgercareplus.org> or <http://www.access.wi.gov>

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible families

Overview: FoodShare Wisconsin is today's food and nutrition program designed to help create a healthier Wisconsin. FoodShare provides wider access, ease of use, and information about good nutrition. The Quest Card, which is used like a debit or check card, is used to buy food at approved grocery stores. Call or go online to see if you meet the program requirements.

Free & Reduced Cost School Meals

Contact: Contact your local School District Office for an application.

Fees/Payment Options: free or reduced cost

Overview: All schools have a free/reduced cost meal program for children. Families on Food Share, BadgerCare, or medical assistance are eligible. ALL families need to complete an application.

Fruit of the Vine Food Pantry

Trinity Christian Fellowship

W11581 County Hwy X

Stanley, WI 54768

715-644-5532

Service Area: Stanley area

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Open the 3rd Tuesday each month from 5:30-8:00p.m. Can visit 1x/month and must bring personal identification.

Head Start Early Childhood Education Program

Central Office: 1-800-352-6283

Chippewa Falls: (715) 723-1211

Cornell: (715) 239-3301

Stanley-Boyd: (715) 667-3104

Website: <http://headstart.cesa11.k12.wi.us/> or call:

Overview: Serves pregnant women through 5 years old. Provides healthy meals and a fun learning environment for families enrolled

Holcombe Methodist Church

27841 County Hwy M

Holcombe, WI 54745

715-595-4967 or Dawn at 715-595-4884

Service Area: Holcombe area

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Food pantry is open the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month from 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Jim Falls Community Food Pantry

Methodist Church

13883 County Hwy S South

Jim Falls, WI 54748

715-226-0438

Service Area: Jim Falls residents

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Open every Thursday from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Need to bring proof of ID and address. Emergency assistance is available.

Ruby's Pantry

A \$20 cash donation provides an abundance of grocery items. www.rubyspantry.org

Elk Mound, WI - Hosted by Shepherd of the Hill Church: 207 University Street 3rd Monday of the month
Registration begins at 4:30 PM and distribution starts at 5:30 PM and ends when guests have been served

Eau Claire, WI - Hosted by Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd: 1120 Cedar Street 1st Thursday of the month
Registration is from 4-6 PM and distribution starts at 5:00 PM and ends approximately at 6:30 PM.

SHARE

St. Olaf's Church

3220 Monroe Street

Eau Claire, WI 54703

715-286-2073

Website: <http://www.sharewi.org>

Fees/Payment Options: reduced cost

Overview: SHARE is a nonprofit food-buying club that offers good, nutritious foods at reduced cost through a volunteer-run, community-based distribution system. Foods are purchased in bulk so members can purchase food at a cheaper rate. Examples of items include meats, fruits and juices but the menu changes monthly. Two hours of community service is recommended, but not required.

Stanley Food Pantry

Our Saviors Lutheran Church
147 East 4th Ave.
Stanley, WI 54768
715-644-3665

Service Area: Stanley area

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Open the 1st Thursday each month from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Use the rear entrance from the alley. Assessment forms must be completed every 4 months.

Weekend Kids' Meals

Parkview Elementary School
501 Jefferson Avenue
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
715-720-3750

Service Area: Parkview Elementary Students

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Free breakfasts and lunches for the weekend are sent home with kids attending Parkview Elementary School on Fridays throughout the school year. There are no eligibility requirements; anyone can participate. The program is sponsored by Feed My People.

Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Nutrition Program

County sites in Chippewa Falls, Cornell, Stanley, and Bloomer
1-800-400-3678 or 715-726-7903

Website: <http://www.co.chippewa.wi.us/government/public-health/wic>

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible families

Overview: Provides nutrition education, breastfeeding support, supplemental foods, and health screening to pregnant, breastfeeding, and post-partum women, infants, and children to age 5. Open weekdays with flexible clinic hours for working and school attending parents.

HEALTH & NUTRITION

Chippewa County Public Health

Chippewa County Courthouse
711 N. Bridge Street
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
715-726-7900
1-800-400-3678

Email: health@co.chippewa.wi.us

Website: www.co.chippewa.wi.us

Overview: Chippewa County Department of Public Health offers a number of services to the Chippewa Community. Please contact them for more information. Some services include the Prenatal Care Coordination (PNCC) service for all women with Medicare/BadgerCare coverage who are eligible. The purpose is to help women have healthy babies. The First Breath program is for pregnant women who want to quit smoking. First Breath is offered throughout the state by the Wisconsin Women's Health Foundation, a non-profit organization. My Baby and Me program to help pregnant women stay alcohol free. Lastly, Public Health offers Oral Health programs and home visits to expectant mothers and parents of young children to help educate about child development and medical care.

Chippewa Valley Free Clinic

421 Graham Avenue
Eau Claire, WI 54701
715-839-8477

Website: <http://www.cvfreeclinic.org/>

Fees/Payment Options: free care available for eligible individuals

Service Area: Eau Claire County

Overview: Patients register at the reception center, which is located between the waiting room and exam rooms. There are a total of 5 exam rooms, each equipped with the medical supplies necessary to provide quality health services to our patients. Across from the exam rooms is our lab. Here we do rapid strep and pregnancy tests, as well as urinalyses. In addition, a social services room provides a private area where our patients can discuss eligibility, home life, and other available resources with a social service volunteer. In the back, our medicine dispensary is where we store and distribute stock medications. We do not provide narcotics, controlled substances or birth control. Tuesdays 3:00pm, acute care clinic; 1st and 3rd Thursdays, Diabetes Clinic; 2nd and 4th Thursdays, Follow-up Clinics.

Eau Claire City/County Health Department

720 2nd Ave.

Eau Claire, WI 54702

715-839-4718

Website: <http://www.ci.eau-claire.wi.us/health-department-pages/109-wic/646-wic-program>

(shortened link: <http://tinyurl.com/34wwjz7>)

Fees/Payment Options: You are likely income eligible for WIC if you currently receive Kinship Care, W-2, Food Share, Badger Care, or Medicaid. The WIC Program uses the same income criteria as free and reduced price school lunches.

Service Area: Eau Claire City/County

Overview: The Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC) provides food and nutrition information to help keep pregnant and breastfeeding women, infants and children under five years of age healthy and strong. Mothers, fathers, guardians or foster parents may apply for WIC for their children. WIC staff can also provide information on: how to use WIC foods to improve health, immunizations for your children, food shopping, recipes, taking care of babies and how to breastfeed, healthy eating during pregnancy, referrals to doctors, dentists, and other programs like food stamps, Medicaid, healthy Start, Head Start, and BadgerCare.

Food Share (Food Stamps)

711 North Bridge Street, Room #305

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7840

Toll Free: For a phone interview call 1-800-291-2002.

Website: <http://www.badgercareplus.org> or <http://www.access.wi.gov>

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible individuals

Service Area: Chippewa County

Overview: FoodShare helps people with limited money buy the food they need for good health. You must be income eligible. Call or go online to see if you meet the program requirements.

Open Door Clinic

First Presbyterian Church

130 W. Central

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-720-1443

Website: <http://www.chippewaopendoor.org/>

Fees/Payment Options: free care available for eligible individuals

Service Area: Chippewa County

Overview: The Open Door Clinic, Inc. is a non-profit organization that provides basic health care services to Chippewa County residents who are without a health care alternative. The Open Door Clinic strives to provide: basic health care services to uninsured, basic lab testing, basic pharmaceutical services. They also assist patients with prescription program applications. They are open Tuesdays from 4-8 p.m.

Planned Parenthood

24 Sunshine Circle
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
715-726-2121

Website: www.plannedparenthood.org

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible individuals

Overview: Provides reproductive exams, birth control, pregnancy testing & education, sexually transmitted infection testing & treatment (including HIV), and midwife services. Offers family planning waivers (free reproductive exams and birth control) for women 15 to 44 years of age who meet eligibility guidelines.

Western Dairyland Child Care Food Program

418 Wisconsin Street
Eau Claire WI. 54702
715-836-7511

Website: <http://www.westerndairyland.org/childReferral.htm>

Service Area: western Wisconsin

Overview: The mission of the Child & Adult Care Food Program is to improve the diets of children by reimbursing family day care providers for serving food that meets USDA nutritional guidelines. Day care providers who participate in the program receive monthly payments. The program also provides training in proper nutrition, meal planning, developing good eating habits, and healthy attitudes about food.

Women, Infants and Children (WIC)

Chippewa County Department of Public Health
711 N. Bridge Street
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
715-726-7903

Website:

http://www.co.chippewa.wi.us/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=164&Itemid=244
(shortened link: <http://tinyurl.com/3y8ot6c>)

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible families

Service Area: Chippewa County

Overview: The Women Infants and Children Program provides food and nutrition information to help keep pregnant and breastfeeding women, infants and children under five years of age healthy and strong.

HOUSING

Beacon House

309 E. Lake Street
Eau Claire, WI 54701
715-834-4357

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Sponsored by the Eau Claire Interfaith Hospitality Network. Serves families and single pregnant women. Capacity: about 25 depending on family sizes.

Bolton Refuge House

807 S. Farwell St.
Eau Claire, WI 54701
715-834-9578 or 1-800-252-4357

Website: <http://boltonrefugehouse.org/index.htm>

Email: boltonrefugehouse@att.net

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Bolton Refuge House offers emergency shelter for victims of sexual assault or domestic violence who do not feel safe in their own homes. Advocates are also on duty 24 hours and can help you make a safety plan, access services with other agencies, and decide for yourself what options are right for you. They also operate a special needs daycare center and run a transitional living program.

Chippewa County Housing Authority

711 N. Bridge Street, Room 14
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
715-726-7933

Service Area: Chippewa County residents

Fees/Payment Options: based on eligibility

Overview: Apply for Section 8 Rental Assistance, homebuyer assistance, home repair assistance, tax or mortgage assistance, and lead paint testing kits.

Eau Claire City/County Housing Authority

721 Oxford Avenue
Eau Claire, WI 54703
715-839-6240

Fax: 715-831-5802

Website: http://www.co.eau-claire.wi.us/CountyDepartments/planning_and_development/housing_authority_division.htm
(shortened link: <http://tinyurl.com/327zp7l>)

Fees/Payment Options: based on eligibility

Overview: Some Chippewa County residents live within the City of Eau Claire. These residents must go to the Eau Claire Housing Authority. Apply for Section 8 Rental Assistance, homebuyer assistance, home repair assistance, tax or mortgage assistance, and lead paint testing kits.

Hope Gospel Mission (Bargain Center)

8 S. Farwell Street

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-552-5566

Website: <http://www.hopegospelmission.org>

Service Area: Wisconsin residents

Fees/Payment Options: based on eligibility

Overview: 46-bed homeless shelter for men provides hot meals, clean clothes, and hot showers. Also offers programs to aid homeless men in achieving stable and productive lives, such as the Life Skills Program, Education Center, and Work Program. Other services provided by Hope Gospel Mission are the Bargain Center and Automotive Sales. The proceeds from the sale of used goods are used to support shelter costs. A spiritual commitment is required.

Ruth House- Hope Gospel Mission

2517 Moholt Dr.

Eau Claire, WI 54703

715-552-5563 or 715-834-4000

Website: <http://www.hopegospelmission.org>

Service Area: Wisconsin residents

Fees/Payment Options: based on eligibility

Overview: Homeless shelter for women provides hot meals, clean clothes, and hot showers. Offers programs to aid homeless women in achieving stable and productive lives, such as the Life Skills Program, Education Center, and Work Program. Other services provided by Hope Gospel Mission and Ruth House are the Bargain Center, Building Center, and Automotive Sales. The proceeds from the sale of used goods are used to support shelter costs. A spiritual commitment is required.

VISION (Volunteer Improvement Service In Our Neighborhoods)

711 N. Bridge Street, Room 14

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7933

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: Homeowner pays for materials, and a staff of community volunteers provides labor. If the cost of materials is more than the applicant can afford to pay all at once, the Vision Program can set up a payment plan that allows you to make monthly payments that are affordable to you.

Overview: The Vision Program is designed to assist low-income homeowners with repairs on their home, such as plastering, minor electrical, minor plumbing, general carpentry, handicap modifications, and exterior painting. Applications can be taken over the phone, and will be responded to within two weeks.

West CAP

525 Second Street

PO Box 308

Glenwood City, WI 54013

1-800-606-9227

Email: westcap@wcap.org

Website: <http://westcap.org/>

Overview: West CAP has worked to promote the self-sufficiency of low-income families in the rural communities of west central Wisconsin, operating as an equal opportunity employer and service provider. West CAP continues to help families overcome poverty and achieve economic stability by providing a number of services including but not limited to, Jumpstart (to help obtain a vehicle), home weatherization, mortgage assistance, rental utility assistance, homeless prevention, and food pantry. Please contact West CAP to learn more information.

MENTAL HEALTH & COUNSELING

Therapy may occur in an office setting or in a home setting. All of the counseling services in this guide offer in-office counseling. However, a few also offer In-Home Family Therapy (see italics).

Definition: In home family therapy is a type of counseling performed in a family's home instead of in a therapist's office or a family therapy center. Several different types of family therapy may be included in in-home services. For instance, this type of therapy may involve a [family therapist](#) visiting the home to help the family as a unit or it may involve [couples therapy](#). Some in-home [family therapy services](#) even extend to counseling and educating children who have serious emotional and mental health issues. For some people, [in-home therapy](#) is preferred because the home is often a more comfortable environment for working out conflicts between family members. The home setting may also be less intimidating to children who have suffered severe emotional [trauma](#), such as bullying, sexual abuse or a devastating loss.

Aurora Community Counseling and Employee Support Services, Inc.

406 Technology Dr. East
Menomonie, WI 54751
715-235-1839 or 1-888-261-5585

1302 Arlen Court
Eau Claire, WI 54703
888-261-5585

Website: <http://www.auroraservices.com>

Service Area: Northwest Wisconsin including: Barron, Chippewa, Dunn, Eau Claire, Rusk, St. Croix and Taylor Counties. Branch offices are also located in Eau Claire, Ladysmith, Menomonie, Siren, and Spooner

Fees/Payment Options: Private Pay, private insurance, Medicaid, Medicare

Overview: Aurora Community Counseling is a state certified outpatient mental health clinic offering individual, couple, family, and group therapy for a variety of concerns. AODA counseling is available to assist individuals and families dealing with substance abuse and dependency, and includes treating other addictions such as emotional eating, overspending, perfectionism, "workaholism", and pornography issues.

Caillier Clinic

505 South Dewey St #101
Eau Claire, WI 54701
715-836-0064
Fax: 715-836-0065

Website: <http://www.caillierclinic.com/>

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts private insurance and private pay, Medical Assistance and BadgerCare

Overview: Caillier Clinic offers comprehensive mental health services, parenting assessments, autism treatments, outpatient alcohol and drug programs, juvenile sex offender evaluations and treatment, and domestic violence services including educational anger courses. Caillier also offer in home services.

Catalyst for Change Consultants

PO Box 305

317 S 2nd St.

Alma, WI 54610

715-495-8396

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts private insurance, Medical Assistance and BadgerCare

Overview: Outpatient and in-home family therapy.

Children Service Society of Wisconsin (CSSW)

2004 Highland Avenue

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-835-5915

Website: <http://www.chw.org/display/PPF/DocID/43005/router.asp>

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts private insurance, Medical Assistance and BadgerCare

Overview: In office Individual and family counseling is available for children and adolescents who need help with physical or sexual abuse, neglect, trauma, depression, anxiety, low self-esteem, problems due to divorce, separation, re-marriage, death of a loved one, parent-child conflicts, pre- and post-adoption transitions, anger management, and academic or behavioral problems in school.

Chippewa County Children’s Crisis Services/Northwest Connections

711 N. Bridge Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

1-888-552-6642

Website: <http://www.nwcgc.com>

Fees/Payment Options: Free

Overview: Northwest Connections is the Emergency Mental Health Services Provider in Chippewa County through the 24/7 toll free number: 888-552-6642. Chippewa County also offers walk in crisis services during business hours.

Chippewa County Department of Human Services Community Mental Health and Recovery Services

Chippewa County Courthouse

711 N Bridge St.

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7788

Crisis Line: 1-888-552-6642

Website: www.co.chippewa.wi.us

Overview: Chippewa County DHS is HFS34, Level III certified as an Emergency Mental Health Service Program. We provide a coordinated system of mental health services, which provides an immediate response to assist a person experiencing a mental health crisis - a situation caused by an individual’s apparent mental disorder which results in a high level of stress or anxiety for the individual, persons providing care for the individual or the public which cannot be resolved by the available coping methods of the individual or by the efforts of those providing ordinary care or support for the individual. Coordination with law enforcement, local hospitals, and care providers is an essential part of this program. CMHRS also offers a Community Support Program, alcohol and other drug abuse services and outpatient mental health services.

Clearwater Counseling

4330 Golf Terrace
Eau Claire, WI 54701
715-832-4060

Website: <http://www.clearwatercounseling.com>

Fees/Payment Options: Private insurance. Does not accept Medical Assistance/BadgerCare

Overview: Clearwater Counseling and Personal Growth Center honors the mind, body, emotions, and spirit in every person. They are committed to helping people learn to deal with issues and concerns of everyday life in a way that promotes mental, physical, emotional, social, and spiritual wellness. They focus on empowering clients to access their inner resources as they move through transitions and transformations.

Dr. Stress & Associates

2150 Brackett Avenue
Eau Claire Wisconsin 54701
715-833-7111

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts private insurance, Medical Assistance and BadgerCare

Overview: Dr. Stress and Associates provide psychological assessments, ongoing counseling for mental health and AODA services.

Family Preservation Program - Lutheran Social Services (LSS)

120 S. Barstow St
Eau Claire, WI 54701

Overview: Certified outpatient behavioral health clinic through DHS 35

Family Support Center

403 North High Street
Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
715-723-1138

Website: <http://www.familysupportcentercf.com/>

Fees/Payment Options: Services are free of charge

Overview: The Family Support Center provides key areas of services that include domestic violence intervention, supportive services for children and adults who have been affected by domestic violence or sexual assault, and supportive parenting services. All services are confidential and free of charge.

First Things First Counseling

2519 North Hillcrest Parkway, Suite 201
Altoona, WI 54720
866-417-8091

Service Area: Not limited to geographic location.

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts private insurance, Medical Assistance and BadgerCare

Website: <http://firstthingsfirstcounseling.com/>

Overview: First Things First Counseling is fully licensed by the state of Wisconsin to provide outpatient mental health and alcohol / addiction services. Services include but are not limited to marriage and family counseling, alcohol addiction and gambling services, anger problems, psychological services, domestic abuse, and non-traditional relationships counseling.

Healing Place, The

1010 Oak Ridge Drive
 Eau Claire, WI 54701-6132
 715-833-6028

Website: <http://www.sacredhearteauclaire.org/the-healing-place>

Fees/Payment Options: all services are free of charge

Overview: **The Healing Place** is Sacred Heart Hospital’s free grief and holistic healing center for individuals who have experienced a loss or are dealing with a major life transition. Professional counseling and grief support group services are provided to anyone in the greater Eau Claire area who is in need of supportive resources while dealing with the issues of grief that accompany the death of a loved one, or a major life transition such as divorce/separation; illness; disability; job changes; military deployment; or retirement.

LE Phillips- Libertas Center

2661 County Hwy I
 Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
 715-723-5585

Website: <http://www.libertascenter.org/home.phtml>

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts private insurance, Medical Assistance and BadgerCare

Overview: The mission of L.E. Phillips is built on the hope that recovery from drugs, alcohol and mental challenges can provide all people the chance to live their life free from addiction. Services include but are not limited to adolescent intensive outpatient treatment, alcohol and drug treatment, individual and family therapy, and outpatient treatment for all eating disorders.

Luther Outpatient Behavioral Health

1221 Whipple Street
 Eau Claire, WI 54703
 715-838-3311

Kid’s Help Line: 715-838-5633 (talk to a nurse about child concerns)

Website: <http://www.mayohealthsystem.org/mhs/live/page.cfm?pp=locations/serviceoutput.cfm&orgid=LM&nav=Ser&id=450030000000351>
 (shortened link: <http://tinyurl.com/3xy4gtu>)

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts private insurance, Medical Assistance and BadgerCare

Overview: Specialists in psychiatry and psychology provide comprehensive evaluations, diagnosis and treatment for people of all ages. Patients can be assured that all counseling sessions are done with privacy and respect.

Lutheran Social Services (LSS)

1320 W. Clairemont Avenue
 Eau Claire, WI 54701
 715-838-9856

Website: <http://www.lsswis.org/Services/Counseling>

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts private insurance and private pay

Overview: Services include post-adoption services, attachment services, family therapy, grief/loss, abuse/neglect, divorce, blended families, parenting issues, and healthy child development. Emphasis is on the treatment of trauma. LSS provides individual, family and group counseling.

MATCH

Mental Health Assistance for Teens & Children

2105 Heights Drive

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-552-1365 or 1-877-216-2824

Website: <http://www.frcec.org/programs.htm>

Fees/Payment Options: Free and Confidential

Overview: The goal of MATCH is to provide a single point of entry to families that are looking for mental health assistance for their children throughout the Chippewa Valley. MATCH (1) answers general mental health questions regarding teens, children, and their families; (2) provides a brief non-medical assessment of the family's current needs; and (3) makes appropriate referrals to a variety of resources throughout the Chippewa Valley. You may also send your confidential questions or concerns to:

match@frcec.org.

Marriage and Family Health Services

2925 Mondovi Road

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-832-0238

Website: <http://www.marriageandfamilyhealthservices.com/index.html>

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts private insurance, Medical Assistance and BadgerCare

Overview: Services include but are not limited to individual outpatient therapy, marital counseling, child/adolescent day treatment and anger management program, trauma and abuse services, and play therapy for children. Additional centers also in Chippewa Falls, Mondovi, Rice Lake, Ladysmith, Marshfield and Hudson.

Marshfield Clinic Eau Claire Center – Behavioral Health

1128 Oak Ridge Drive or 1215 West Knapp Street

Eau Claire, WI

Rice Lake, WI

715-858-4850

715-236-4450

Website: <http://www.marshfieldclinic.org/patients/?page=behavioralHealth>

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts private insurance, Medical Assistance and BadgerCare

Overview: Marshfield Clinic's Psychiatry and Behavioral Health Department offers a complete range of mental health treatment options, provided by highly trained professionals in a caring, confidential manner to meet the needs of children, adolescents, adults, older adults, couples and families. Referrals are accepted from agencies, physicians, courts, families, or self.

Northwest Counseling and Guidance Clinic

3203 Stein Boulevard

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-552-1342

Fax: 715-552-1644 (Fax)

Website: <http://www.nwcgc.com>

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts private insurance, Medical Assistance and BadgerCare

Overview: Northwest provides a range of services for Western Wisconsin. Services offered in Eau Claire, WI are Child and Adolescent Mental Health crisis services, and outpatient mental health services (Northwest Directions). Northwest Directions is a certified mental health program in accordance with Wisconsin DHS 35.

Positive Avenues Day Time Drop in Resource Center

320 Putnam St. G02/G03
 Eau Claire, WI 54702
 715-838-2409

Website:

Fees/Payment Options: No fee

Overview: Positive Avenues is a day time drop-in resource center providing a safe environment for individuals to go during the day. Individuals dealing with mental health issues and who may be homeless have a place to go during the day to work on life skills, enjoy social activity and get connected to services in Eau Claire and surrounding counties. There is an on-site supervisor and peer specialist to support the individuals in need of day services.

Sacred Heart Behavioral Health Outpatient Clinic

4235 Southtowne Drive
 Eau Claire, WI 54701
 715-717-5899,

Toll Free: 855-717-5899

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts private insurance, Medical Assistance and BadgerCare

Overview: Offers a range of services and therapies including but not limited to child behavioral management, individual and family therapy, marital counseling, crisis services, and psychological testing and evaluations.

Vantage Points, Inc.

2005 Highland Avenue
 Eau Claire, WI 54701
 715-832-5454 or 1-800-847-2144

Website: <http://www.vantagepointclinic.com>

Fees/Payment Options: Accepts private insurance, Medical Assistance and BadgerCare

Overview: Vantage Points offers a range of services and therapies including but not limited to child behavioral management, individual and family therapy, marital counseling, crisis services, and psychological testing and evaluations.

PARENTING SERVICES & SUPPORT

Chippewa County Child and Family Services Division

Chippewa County Department of Human Services-Children, Youth and Families Division

711 North Bridge Street, Room 305

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7788

Fax: 715-726-7736

Website: www.co.chippewa.wi.us

Overview: Works to ensure that all children are safe in their own homes. We provide innovative and effective strategies for prevention and intervention. Our treatment approaches include collaborative community efforts that assist, empower, and ensure that families are well-educated and getting stronger in order to achieve positive outcomes. The Chippewa County Children and Families Division provides services to protect children who have been abused and/or neglected or at substantial risk of abuse and/or neglect. It is our role to make sure that children have their basic needs met – adequate food, clothing, and shelter; and to make sure they are free from physical, sexual, or emotional injury or exploitation. Our access team is responsible for receiving reports of abuse and neglect and providing referrals and information to community services. **To report child abuse and neglect or request other information, please contact Chippewa County Human Services at 715-726-7788.**

Chippewa County Youth Support and Services: Promotes a juvenile justice system to assist, empower, and build upon the strengths of youth and families facing juvenile delinquency challenges. We strive to protect the community, impose accountability for law violations, and equip juvenile offenders with competencies to live responsibly, productively, and achieve positive outcomes. It is the responsibility of the Chippewa County Youth Support and Services Division to provide services that address issues of juvenile delinquency. The Division places a strong emphasis on services for rehabilitation of delinquent youth. The Division utilizes evidence based programming to protect the community, impose accountability for violations, and equip juvenile offenders with competencies to live responsibly and productively in the community.

Foster Care: Foster care is 24-hour care provided by licensed foster parents for children who cannot live with their parents because they are unsafe, have special care or treatment needs, or other circumstances exist that result in their parents or family are unable to care for them. County human service agencies license and oversee these placements. Generally, placement in foster care is temporary and intended to give the child's family time to make necessary changes so that the child can live safely in his or her home and community. Most children in foster care return home to their families. When children cannot return home, they find permanence through placement with relatives, adoption, or other means.

A loving and supportive foster home and family makes a big difference in the lives of these children. If you are interested in becoming a foster parent, you may obtain more information by contacting Eau Claire County Human Services - Jody Waletzki at 715-839-6788.

Kinship Care: Kinship Care is a program designed to help support a child who resides outside of his or her own home, either temporarily or long term, with a relative. Kinship Care supports the concept of children residing with a relative to alleviate family stress or temporary familial problems, rather than being placed in a foster home or other type of out-of-home placement. Kinship Care may be voluntary or court ordered.

Family Support Center

403 High Street
 Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
 715-723-1138 or 1-800-400-7020 (24 hour crisis line)
Email: familysupport01@sbcglobal.net
Website: <http://www.familysupportcentercf.com/>
Service Area: Chippewa County
Fees/Payment Options: free
Overview: Provides an array of services for children and adults including: Domestic Violence Intervention, Sexual Assault Support & Counseling, Parent Support & Prevention Services, Community Education and Referral, & Safe Exchange services for families. All services are confidential and free of charge.

Grandparents (and Others) As Parents

700 Graham Avenue
 Eau Claire, WI 54701
 715-836-8460 or the warm-line at 715-835-1944 or 715-225-0404
Email: info@gap-ec.org
Website: <http://www.gap-ec.org>
Fees/Payment Options: free
Overview: Grandparents (*and others*) as Parents is a grass roots support and information sharing group open to any family raising relative's children for whatever reason. Meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Wesleyan Church, 2405 Keith Street, Eau Claire. They offer resources, a loan library, advocacy, monthly newsletters and support, and materials from "Grandma's Closet".

Parents 4 Learning

Website: <http://partners4learning.org/>
Email: contact@parents4learning.org
Fees/Payment Options: free
Overview: Group meetings are open to anyone and are aimed at providing parents knowledge, opportunities, resources and connections that maximize children's potential in school and life. The group also sponsors parent/child fun activities. Meetings are held in the Chippewa Falls YMCA Community Room from 6:30-7:30 once per month.

River Source Family Center

403 High Street
 Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
 715-720-1841
Email: RiverSource@sbcglobal.net
Website: <http://www.riversourcefamilycenter.com/>
Service Area: Chippewa County
Fees/Payment Options: free
Overview: River Source Family Center is a non-profit program that provides parenting information and resources to all families. Programs at River Source Family Center are designed to support and strengthen families with children prenatally through age 5 throughout Chippewa County. Home visiting programs, classes, play and learn sessions, and more are all offered.

Safe Kids Coalition

2103 Heights Drive, Suite 1B

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-717-4481

Fees/Payment Options: free education and training

Overview: Provides car seat safety education & installation.

Strengthening Families Program

Positive Alternatives

715-235-9552

Contact: Jamie Lawrence-Olsen or Aaron Mason

Service Area: Chippewa County

Overview: The Strengthening Families program is designed for parents and their children ages 10-14 (or 5th thru 8th grade). The program uses family systems, and cognitive-behavioral approaches to increase resilience and reduce risk factors for behavioral, emotional, academic, and social problems. Parents meet separately for the first hour to learn to increase desired behaviors in children by increasing attention and rewards for positive behaviors. They also learn about clear communication, effective discipline, substance use, problem solving, and limit setting. The first hour the children will meet separately to learn how to understand feelings, control their anger, resist peer pressure, comply with parental rules, solve problems, and communicate effectively. The second hour of the program families engage in structured family activities, practice therapeutic child play, conduct family meetings, learn communication skills, practice effective discipline, reinforce positive behaviors in each other, and plan family activities together.

United Way of the Greater Chippewa Valley

3603 N. Hastings Way Suite 200

Eau Claire, WI 54703

715-834-5043

Fax: 715-834-0425

Email: info@uwgcv.org

Website: <http://uwgcv.org/>

Overview: The United Way's goal is to bring segments of the community together to focus on community solutions. United Way of the Greater Chippewa Valley's goal is to be a community builder by bringing organizations, government, and businesses to the table to maximize resources and expertise to solve problems and impact lives. One program is the Successful Children & Youth Program, which goal is to help make all children successful by allowing all children to enter school ready to learn. The United Way defines this as, "being sure every child has access to great early learning opportunities and providing an environment which nurtures their abilities. Beyond meeting basic needs, children need opportunities to thrive." The United Way's website has a list of resources in the Chippewa Valley committed to this goal.

UW-Extension Family Living Program

711 N. Bridge Street, Room 013

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7950

TTY: 1-800-947-3529

Fax: 715-726-7958

Website: <http://chippewa.uwex.edu/family-living-and-nutrition-education/>

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: The Chippewa County Cooperative Extension Family Living Program helps families thrive in a rapidly changing world. Backed by research, family living faculty and academic staff work with communities to promote family strengths and become positive environments for family life. Check out the website for helpful parenting, nutrition, financial, and health information.

Wisconsin Department of Children and Families

201 E. Washington Ave (second floor)

PO Box 8916

Madison, WI 53708-8916

608-267-3905

Fax: 608-266-6836

Email: dcfweb@wisconsin.gov

Website: <http://dcf.wisconsin.gov/default.htm>

Overview: The mission of the Department of Children and Families is to promote the economic and social well-being of Wisconsin's children and families. The website includes information on finding childcare, reporting child care fraud, becoming a foster parent, Kinship care, and reporting child abuse. The Department of Children and Families has created a rating system for child care services called YoungStar (<http://dcf.wisconsin.gov/youngstar/default.htm>). This program was created to improve the quality of child care for Wisconsin children by evaluating and rating the quality of care given by child care providers to help parents choose the best child care for their kids, support providers with tools and training to deliver high-quality early care, and to set a consistent standard for child care quality.

PREGNANCY RESOURCES

Apple Pregnancy Care Center

2600 Stein Blvd.

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-834-7734

Helpline: 715-834-5254

Website: <http://applepcc.org/>

Service Area: Chippewa Valley

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Apple offers free confidential pregnancy tests and free options counseling for parents and/or their partner, and a person to listen. Apple also offers provider referrals to both private and government agencies. They also have a Smart Women Program, where you can earn points towards the things you need as a new mother. If you decide to make an adoption plan for your child, they can help you explore that option, and refer you to an agency that will guide you through the process.

Birthright Pregnancy Center

320 Graham Ave, Suite 3

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-834-1144 or 1-800-550-4900

Website: www.birthright.org

Service Area: Chippewa Valley

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Birthright provides support to girls and women who are distressed by an unplanned pregnancy. Birthright offers emotional support, free pregnancy testing, and maternity and baby clothes. Birthright also gives referral for to help clients meet legal, medical, financial, and housing needs. All services are free of charge and confidential.

Chippewa County Public Health

Chippewa County Courthouse

711 N. Bridge Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7900

1-800-400-3678

Email: health@co.chippewa.wi.us

Website: www.co.chippewa.wi.us

Overview: Chippewa County Department of Public Health offers a number of services to the Chippewa Community. Please contact them for more information. Some services include the Prenatal Care Coordination (PNCC) service for all women with Medicare/BadgerCare coverage who are eligible. The purpose is to help women have healthy babies. The First Breath program is for pregnant women who want to quit smoking. First Breath is offered throughout the state by the Wisconsin Women's Health Foundation, a non-profit organization. My Baby and Me program to help pregnant women stay alcohol free. Lastly, Public Health offers Oral Health programs and home visits to expectant mothers and parents of young children to help educate about child development and medical care.

Planned Parenthood

24 Sunshine Circle

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-2121

Website: www.plannedparenthood.org

Service Area: Chippewa County

Fees/Payment Options: available for eligible individuals

Overview: Provides reproductive exams, birth control, pregnancy testing & education, sexually transmitted infection testing & treatment (including HIV), and midwife services. Offers family planning waivers (free reproductive exams and birth control) for women 15 to 44 years of age who meet eligibility guidelines.

Prenatal Care Coordination - Chippewa County and Eau Claire County Public Health

711 N. Bridge Street Room 222 or 720 2nd Ave.

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Eau Claire, WI 54702

715-726-7903

715-839-4718

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Prenatal care coordination program offer in-home visits for eligible pregnant teens and women, and postnatal visits. The visits provide information on growth and development, nutrition, health, safety, area resources and proper prenatal care to assure the healthy delivery of the baby. Eligibility requirements and program services may vary between counties.

Text4baby

Website: text4baby.org under pregnancy:

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Text4baby is a free mobile information service designed to promote maternal and child health. An educational program of the National Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition (HMHB), text4baby provides pregnant women and new moms with information they need to take care of their health and give their babies the best possible start in life. Women who sign up for the service by texting BABY (or BEBE for Spanish) to 511411 will receive free SMS text messages each week, timed to their due date or baby's date of birth.

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Chippewa County Volunteer Caregiver Program (Transportation)

Chippewa River Industries

1000 Lake Wissota Drive

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7822

FAX: 715-726-7939

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9:00-4:30

Website: <http://www.crind.org>

Service Area: Services are available to Chippewa County residents.

Population Served & Services: The Volunteer Caregiver Program (VCP) serves seniors, individuals with disabilities and others in difficult life situations who are not Medicaid eligible. The VCP provides caring companionship home visits and non-wheelchair accessible transportation to medical appointments, food pantries, grocery stores and errands utilizing volunteers and volunteer drivers.

Operation Hours: Please call at least 4 business days in advance if possible. Rides are provided Monday-Friday during business hours.

Donations: There is no charge for you to receive a ride from a volunteer driver through the VCP. Donations to the program can be mailed to Chippewa River Industries. The Volunteer Caregiver Program is made possible through collaboration with Chippewa River Industries, United Way of the Greater Chippewa Valley, and the Aging Disability Resource Center of Chippewa County.

Overview: The VCP enhances the lives of seniors, individuals with disabilities, and others in difficult life situations. All volunteers and volunteer drivers are trained before services are provided. Ride requests will be filled based on the availability of volunteer drivers. Medical appointments will take priority. The VCP is not intended for long term transportation needs (dialysis, employment, classes, etc.). All stops need to be prearranged. Priority rides will go to those who do not live in city limits. The VCP serves residents of Chippewa County. Contact the Volunteer Coordinator at Chippewa River Industries to schedule a ride or a caring companionship visit.

Medical Transportation Management, Inc. (MTM) (Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus transportation)

Reservation line:

866-907-1493

Monday – Friday; 7:00am to 6:00pm.

Call two business days in advance, except for hospital discharge. Urgent and discharge trips can be called in 24 hours a day.

Deaf or Hearing Impaired:

866-288-3133

Reservation number for deaf or hearing impaired members.

Case Managers, Social Workers and Families/Care givers:

866-907-1494

“Where’s My Ride?” number that case managers, social workers and members (or their families/care givers) call concerning a service issue. For example, if transportation is late dropping off or picking up.

Operations Center in Madison:

866-907-5194; Main number for the Operations Center in Madison.

Website: <http://www.mtm-inc.net/> is the MTM website with documents and more information about arranging NEMT services for Medicaid & BadgerCare Plus members.

Overview: MTM is responsible for managing non-emergency medical transportation (NEMT) services for Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus members. This new non-emergency medical transportation management system will affect most of the members enrolled in the following programs: WI Medicaid, Family-Planning Only Services, BadgerCare Plus Standard Plan, BadgerCare Plus Benchmark Plan, Tuberculosis-Only Services, Express Enrollment for Pregnant Woman, and members enrolled in state-contracted managed care organizations (MCOs) who receive NEMT services on a fee-for-service basis (e.g., Children Come First). Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus members enrolled in an HMO will also receive NEMT services through MTM. All trips must be pre-arranged and confirmed by MTM.

New Freedom Volunteer Driver Program

Center for Independent Living for Western Wisconsin

P.O. Box 1610

Eau Claire, WI. 54702

715-514-4200/877-577-8452

Website: <http://www.cilww.com>

Office Hours: Wednesday 1- 4:30pm, Thursday & Friday 8am-4:30pm.

Operation Hours: Provide transportation 7 days a week, and as needed if a driver is available. Service requires 48 hour advance notice.

Service Area: Chippewa and Eau Claire counties and surrounding area, including Minnesota.

Fees/Payment Options: Fare donation accepted if rider is able. A voucher program is also available for riders who have friends and relatives who can drive them.

Overview: Program serves persons with disabilities of all ages. Program provides door to door services. Drivers are not CPR/First Aid trained and do not have state certified vans. Service is for non-emergency for medical, social, work, school, volunteering and public service. This service does not have wheel chair accessible vans and not all drivers can take persons who use wheel chairs.

Patient Express LLC

17009 County Hwy J

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-1100

Fax: 715-723-3867

Office Hours: 7:30am-5:30pm M-F

Operation Hours: 6am-7pm M-F

Fees/Payment Options: Fare: MA. Private: \$20 first five miles, \$1.50 after. Wait time charge is \$15 per hour.

Service Area: State of WI from Chippewa County. Prefers long trips and will also go to Rochester, MN.

Overview: Will serve all individuals for any reason. This is a door to door service. Advance Notice-first come, first served. Prefer 24 hour minimum notice. Drivers are trained in CPR/First Aid and drive state certified vans. This is a non-emergency service.

Shared Ride Program—Chippewa Falls

21 Cliff Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-723-3000; or Chippewa Falls Transit: 715-726-2728; Administration: 715-726-2729

Office Hours: 5am to 7pm M-F, 6:30am to 4:30pm Sat/Sun & holidays.

Website: www.ci.chippewa-falls.wi.us

Fees/Payment Options: Fare: for seniors (65+), students and disabled--\$1.50 one way, disabled need a card from City Transit Office. \$2.50 for rest of public.

Service Area: City of Chippewa Falls

Overview: Service is available to any person. Drivers are not trained in CPR/First Aid, but do drive state certified vans.

Tender Care Transport, Inc.

1592 118 Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-835-2435, 1-800-498-2050

Fax: 715-835-1400

Office Hours: 7:30am to 5pm M-F.

Operation Hours: 5am to 6pm or later if pre-arranged; Saturdays are for dialysis appointments only.

Website: www.tendercaretransport.com

Fees/Payment Options: Medicaid eligible and private pay. Fare: Medicaid plus \$1.00 each way. Private fare: \$23.50 one way. \$1.50/mile after first five miles for each additional mile. Wait fare is \$15.00/hour.

Service Area: statewide and out of state MN and IL-- but mostly Eau Claire County.

Overview: Service is for the elderly and disabled. This service is door to door. This is a non-emergency service. Drivers are trained in CPR/First Aid and drives state certified vans. Advance notice requested is 48 hours—no same day.

Veterans Services

711 N. Bridge Street, Room 301

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-7990

Office Hours: 8am-4:30pm

Website: <http://www.co.chippewa.wi.us/>

Eligibility Requirements: Veterans who are Chippewa County residents

Fees/Payment Options: free

Overview: Will only take Veterans from the Chippewa County courthouse to the VA Medical Center and back on even numbered days. Advance Notice is required as there are only nine seats and it is first come first served. Drivers are not trained in CPR/First Aid and do not drive state certified vans. This is a non-emergency service.

Cab Services

Cab4U

8402 Commerce Parkway

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-726-9551

Leroy's Cab Services

24 West Spring St.

Chippewa Falls, WI 547129

715-720-6106

715-720-0976

Running Inc.

21 Cliff Street

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-723-3000

Chippewa Cab

804 Dutchman Dr. #8

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-215-0876

Mr. Cab

4723 White Ave

Eau Claire, WI 54701

715-271-1000

Swan's Taxi Service, LLC

114 E Central St. #3

Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

715-215-1172

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