

# Wisconsin's Family Caregiver Support Programs

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This program offers respite, information, support, and other resources to family caregivers.

#### **HOW DOES THE PROGRAM WORK?**

Caregiver support services are available to all families caring for a person aged 60 or older or someone with dementia. Grandparents and older relatives caring for minor children or an adult with a disability may also qualify for the program.

#### WHAT CAN THE PROGRAM PROVIDE?

Limited short-term respite care is provided in the home, at a day program, or during a short stay in a facility. Respite services for caregivers include:

- Chore services such as yard work, snow shoveling, or heavy housework
- Personal care such as dressing, bathing, or toileting
- Daily homemaking tasks such as meal preparation, shopping, or light housework
- Companionship and general supervision for safety purposes

Services and items that assist the caregiver in provided care include:

- Transportation and assisted transportation
- Assistive devices (weighted silverware, adaptive clothing, door locks, bed alarms, etc.)
- Minor home modifications (wheelchair ramps, grab bars, etc.)
- Supplies (incontinent supplies, etc.)
- Safety equipment (emergency response system, Safe Return, etc.)

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Any caregiver who provides unpaid care to a person age 60 or older, **or** to a person of any age who has Alzheimer's disease or related dementia.
  - Note: The older adult receiving care must need assistance with daily living.
- Grandparents or relatives aged 55 and older who are the primary caregivers for a child under age 18 or older relatives, including parents, age

55 and older providing care to adults ages 18-59 with disabilities.

#### **HOW DO I APPLY?**

There are no fees or income requirements to enroll in this program. Contact your County or Tribal Aging Office or Aging & Disability Resource Center for more information. To find your local office visit <a href="https://www.wisconsincaregiver.org">www.wisconsincaregiver.org</a>

