

The statewide COVID-19 website is a one stop shop that consolidates information from state agencies, and provides up-to-date information and guidance regarding COVID-19. DHS has also offered information on their website on How and Where to Get Tested.

If you're not busy, please make a call, send a card, or write a letter to someone you know who lives alone or may need assistance.

Bless each of you during this difficult time of uncertainty and suffering. Take good care!

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Nearly 60,000 Wisconsinites Covered during the First Three Weeks of Open Enrollment

WisCovered

The deadline to enroll in a HealthCare.gov plan is December 15!

Governor Evers and the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance announced today that 57,558 Wisconsinites enrolled in a healthcare plan using the Affordable Care Act's Health Insurance Exchange: Healthcare.gov.

Wisconsinites can continue to sign up for health coverage through Dec. 15, 2020! And those who already have insurance through the ACA can renew, change, or update their plans for next year.

For free help signing up for a plan, visit WisCovered.com where experts can help simplify the enrollment process and provide information about programs like BadgerCare for families that qualify for free coverage.

Now during the COVID-19 health crisis, the provisions of the ACA offering options to American families and protecting those with preexisting conditions are critical to the people of Wisconsin and our country.

Read the Press Release

Free Drive-Thru Flu Shot Clinic Saturday, Dec. 5th

This Saturday, December 5th, the Progressive Community Health Centers will be offering a free drive-thru flu shot clinic at their Lisbon Avenue Health Center (3522 W. Lisbon Ave.)

This event is free to all and open to ages 6 and up, no appointment is needed, and walkups are also welcome!

More info

In Lieu of Congressional Action, Some States are Racing to Offer Coronavirus Aid of Their Own

Across the country, voices are calling for action from Congress and the outgoing Trump administration.

With many forms of aid from the CARES act that Congress passed earlier this year running out, just while the U.S. sees record high numbers of new daily cases, many states are preparing to act on their own rather than wait for Congress to take action any longer.

The Governors of Colorado and New Mexico each convened in a special session to address their states' needs, while the Republican members in the minority of the New Jersey and Washington Legislatures also pushed for actions in their states.

In Wisconsin, Governor Evers has recently proposed a legislative package aimed at making unemployment more accessible, prohibiting evictions, and ensuring that COVID-19 treatments such as vaccines are covered at fair rates for Wisconsinites. The Republican leaders of the Wisconsin Legislature are currently negotiating with the Governor and considering whether to return to session in December to possibly take up the Governor's proposal. It has been 230 days since the Wisconsin Legislature was last in session.

Read more.

Wisconsin State Bar Connects Attorneys with Those Who Need Legal Help

One of the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic has been to expose the lack of available resources for Wisconsinites who need legal help but cannot afford traditional attorney fees. Issues such as bankruptcy, eviction, and child support have strained families in new ways this year, and the State Bar has released the new Pro Bono Portal to help connect Wisconsin Attorneys with volunteer organizations that are offering help.

Read more.

Some of the organizations available to help those in need are:

The Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee

Community Advocates

Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinics

Legal Action of Wisconsin

More resources collected by Marquette Law School

Wisconsin Certifies Election Results

Following the conclusion of the recounts requested by the Trump campaign in Dane and Milwaukee Counties, the Wisconsin Elections Commission and the Governor have certified the results of Wisconsin's November 3rd elections.

I would like to take a moment to thank the many professionals, volunteers, and voters who participated in the November election.

When I was growing up, my Mom worked as a poll worker at the polling place inside Morgandale Elementary School, where I attended grade school. Her participation as a poll worker and getting to see the electoral process take place in my elementary school had a big effect on me, and is part of my inspiration to get involved in politics.

It has been very humbling seeing the many election volunteers who have returned year after year to help their fellow Wisconsinites cast their ballot, but also the many new volunteers who got involved this year to help our during the pandemic. Thank you!

Milwaukee Recreation's Winter Wonder Woods

Milwaukee Recreation will be transforming Hawthorn Glen into the seasonal *Winter Wonder Woods* again this year. Over 25,000 lights and holiday displays will be used to create the festive, family friendly atmosphere.

If you're looking for holiday activities for your family this year, check out the Winter Wonder Woods and other events from MKE Rec.

Holiday Light Displays in the Milwaukee Area

Some more ideas for physically distant Holiday activities for families. From Candy Cane Lane in West Allis, to the Kids2Kids Christmas Wonderland in Grafton, these are 8 of the best outdoor lights displays nearby.

Read more.

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