

TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ITEM # 4-19
BOARD ACTION

Adopted:
For: 35
Against: 0
Abstain: 0
Abs/Excd: 7
Vote Req:

Other Action: -

VALTC COMMITTEE ACTION

Adopted:
For: 5
Against: 0
Abstain: 0
Abs/Excd: 0

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE ACTION

Adopted: For: 8
Against: 9
Abstain: Abs/Excd: 1

RE: RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO NOT MAKE DRAMATIC CUTS TO MEDICAID AND THE OLDER AMERICANS ACT FUNDING IN THE PROPOSED RECONCILIATION BILL.

WHEREAS, members of Congress are considering which of the substantial cuts in federal Medicaid program will be included in a reconciliation bill; and

WHEREAS, the reconciliation bill may move rapidly through Congress before details of the cuts are fully understood and before the public and members of local government have the opportunity to provide feedback regarding the impact of the cuts; and

WHEREAS, cuts to Medicaid could significantly reduce Medicaid reimbursements to the county for mandated programs such as Children's Long-Term Support, Adult Family Care, and long-term elder care; and

WHEREAS, La Crosse County provides specialized skilled nursing services primarily funded through Medicaid for over 135 years to individuals with complex needs; and

WHEREAS, La Crosse County provides WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) services to children and families who are often adjunctively eligible due to participation in Medicaid funded programs, specifically BadgerCare Plus.

WHEREAS, Federal Medicaid funding cuts will leave states and counties with a negative impact on their budgets as costs would become the responsibility of the state or county. These cuts would impact the ability to provide services for the disabled, elderly, or mentally ill; and

WHEREAS, cuts to Medicaid and the Older Americans Act programs will hurt vulnerable individuals and families, workers who provide these services, and the healthcare and crisis workers when citizens experience health crises; and

WHEREAS, Aging and Disability Resource Center's (ADRCs) in Wisconsin offer a strong return on investment while significantly enhancing the well-being of individuals across the state. In 2023, every \$1 invested into ADRCs in Wisconsin led to a savings of \$3.88; and

WHEREAS, Older Americans Act funding is necessary to continue the senior nutrition program, that includes home delivered meals and congregate dining.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors requests and urges elected representatives to preserve Medicaid and Older American Act funding in budget reconciliation bills. The La Crosse County Board of Supervisors urges citizens to contact their legislators to reject proposals that reduce federal Medicaid and Older Americans Act funding; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a copy of the resolution shall be sent to Wisconsin state and federal legislators and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

FISCAL NOTE: No fiscal impact to La Crosse Cou	inty.
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RECORDING CLERK	RECORDING CLERK
Reviewed Only Recommended Co. Admin. Fin. Director Corp. Counsel Board Chair	Not Recommended Requested By: Jane Klekamp Date Requested: March 18, 2025 Drafted By: Corporation Counsel
Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 15 Day of	

STATE OF WISCONSIN COUNTY OF LA CROSSE

I, Ginny Dankmeyer, County Clerk of La Crosse County do hereby certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original resolution required by law to be in my custody and which the County Board of Supervisors of La Crosse County adopted at a meeting held on the 15th day of April 2025.

Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk