

Public Health

Public Health promotes prevention and early detection of disease for individuals, their families, and the community. There is no charge for many Public Health services.

Services are offered:

In the office:

- ◆ Information and referral
- ◆ Immunizations
- ◆ Loan Closet – Equipment
- ◆ Blood pressure screening
- ◆ HIV testing by appointment

In the Home:

- ◆ Health counseling, teaching, and assessment
 - ✓ Prenatal, postpartum, child growth and development, breastfeeding education and information.
 - ✓ Other health conditions
- ◆ Prenatal care coordination/Healthy Beginnings+

In the School:

- ◆ Health screening (hearing, vision and blood pressure)
- ◆ Immunizations
 - ✓ Wisconsin Checkpoint law follow-up
- ◆ Health education and counseling with teachers, students and staff
- ◆ Fluoride varnish
- ◆ Referral to Wisconsin Well Woman Program.

In the Community:

Planning with community members for needed programs and services.

- ◆ Safety Programs
 - ✓ Rural safety awareness
 - ✓ Injury prevention
 - ✓ Safety education
 - ✓ Car seat checks

- ◆ Preparation and coordination of response to community disasters.
- ◆ Children's Screening
 - ✓ Health Check and WIC
 - ✓ Blood lead screening
 - ✓ Health education and information
- ◆ Adult Screenings
 - ✓ Wellness days (blood pressure, diabetes, cholesterol, colo-rectal and anemia) (Screenings in industries and for groups)
 - ✓ Health education and information
- ◆ Communicable Disease Prevention
 - ✓ Communicable disease investigation and control
 - ✓ Immunization clinics
 - ✓ HIV testing and counseling
 - ✓ Influenza and pneumonia vaccine clinics
 - ✓ TB skin testing
- ◆ Chronic Disease Prevention
 - ✓ Education / Advocacy

We protect our environment

Our services include: water testing, evaluation of lead hazards in the home; unsafe and unsanitary housing; rabies and rodent control; air quality testing (radon and carbon monoxide) and asbestos investigation.

We are here for you!

Grant County Health Department is your health department. That means we are here to serve you.

We maintain confidentiality for all clients and their records. There shall be no exclusions based on age; race; color; national origin; creed; gender; religion; handicap; physical or mental impairment; communicable disease; marital status; sexual orientation; arrest or conviction record; political, fraternal, or religious affiliation; or residency in a retirement community. Our office buildings are handicapped accessible.

GRANT COUNTY

Public Health WIC Health Check

We are here for you and your family.



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WIC

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.

How it works

The WIC staff cares about you and your children. They will provide:

- ◆ Help with nutrition
 - ✓ tips on food shopping, recipes and caring for children.
 - ✓ information about healthy eating habits
- ◆ Help to buy nutritious foods such as milk, peanut butter, fruits and vegetables, cereal, eggs, beans, baby foods, and formula if needed.
- ◆ Support and education for breastfeeding
- ◆ Referral to health care provider and programs like food stamps, Medicaid and Head Start.
- ◆ Help getting immunizations.

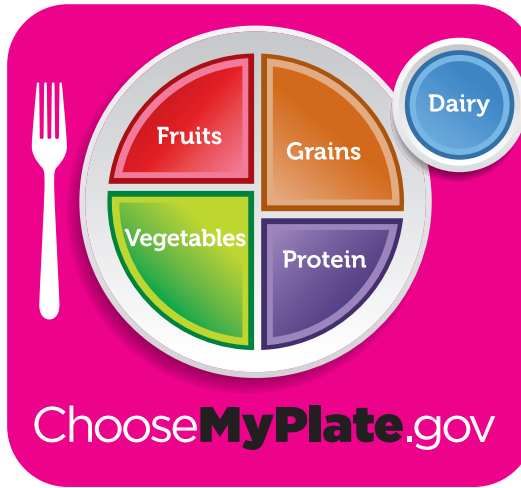
Who is eligible?

You may qualify if:

- ◆ You live in Wisconsin
- ◆ You are pregnant, breastfeeding or a new mother
- ◆ You have an infant or child(ren) under five years of age
- ◆ You or your child(ren) have a health or a nutrition need
- ◆ You have a household income (before tax deductions) that is less than or equal to WIC income guidelines. Many working families qualify. A pregnant woman counts as two family members.

Income guidelines are revised every July. Check with our WIC staff to find out if you and your family meet the guidelines. You could be income eligible for WIC if you currently receive BadgerCare, W-2, Food Stamps, or Medicaid, including Kinshipcare and Healthy Start. You may be income eligible for WIC if food stamps have recently been canceled.

The WIC Program uses income criteria similar to reduced price school lunches. Fathers, guardians or foster parents may apply for WIC for their children.



How to apply

Call the Grant County WIC Program to set up an appointment at (608) 723-6416. At your appointment, the WIC staff will review the health history of you and your child. If you are eligible, you will receive nutrition information and counseling, breastfeeding education and support, and learn about other services, and receive a WIC card to help buy foods.

Health Check

Health Check provides physical exams for children to prevent problems from developing. It isn't meant to replace your child's doctor. Instead, Health Check's purpose is to check for problems and alert your doctor when needed. Health Check and WIC clinics are held at the same location and time to make both services more available.

Health Check Eligibility

Persons, from birth to 21 years of age, receiving Medical Assistance/Badgercare and children who have no or limited health insurance are eligible for Health Check.

We provide a full exam

First, the child's general health is checked, including:

- ◆ Vision and hearing
- ◆ Height and weight
- ◆ Overall health of teeth and gums
- ◆ Fluoride Varnish
- ◆ Growth and development
- ◆ Blood pressure, pulse and temperature
- ◆ Anemia, cholesterol, blood sugar and urine screening
- ◆ Physical exam
- ◆ Blood lead testing
- ◆ Nutrition

Second, if a problem is found which requires further diagnosis and treatment, referrals are made to:

- ◆ Doctors
- ◆ Dentists
- ◆ Eye Specialists
- ◆ Orthodontists
- ◆ Head Start, Early Childhood or education programs
- ◆ Other specialists

Third, necessary immunizations to protect your child against diseases are given. Please bring all immunization records with you to the Health Check examination.

Contact the Grant County Health Department for more information on Public Health, WIC, or Health Check. Other services provided include Home Nursing and Hospice.

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