

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Wisconsin Department of Health Services**  
**Division of Long Term Care**

**Background**

Section 9118(9)(b) of the 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, requires the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (hereinafter “DHS”) to provide notice to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register of the date in which the Family Care program will be available to eligible residents of every county in the state, if later than January 1, 2017.

**Family Care Implementation in Adams, Florence, Forest, Oneida, Taylor, and Vilas Counties**

On September 19, 2016, DHS issued a request for proposal that included six of the counties (Adams, Florence, Forest, Oneida, Taylor, and Vilas) where Family Care will be implemented in 2017. IRIS (Include, Respect, I Self-Direct) will be implemented at the same time.

Implementation will begin on July 1, 2017, and be complete by December 31, 2017. The county-by-county implementation schedule will be developed collaboratively between DHS, the counties, managed care organizations, IRIS consultant agencies, and aging and disability resource centers once the managed care organizations are selected through the competitive procurement process.

**Family Care Implementation in Dane County**

Implementation of Family Care in Dane County will begin in the first quarter of 2018. IRIS will be implemented at the same time. The specific implementation date and number of transition months will be determined collaboratively between DHS, Dane County, managed care organizations, IRIS consultant agencies, and the aging and disability resource center once the managed care organizations are selected through the competitive procurement process.

**For more information about Family Care:**

Phone: 1-855-885-0287

Website: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/familycare/index.htm>

**For more information about IRIS:**

Phone: 1-888-515-4747

Website: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/iris/index.htm>