

## Resource: Getting Health Care Coverage/Insurance

Having health care coverage is key to getting the health care you might need. Without it, you could end up with huge bills and a penalty when you file your income taxes.

### 1. Badgercare

Call: 1-888-794-5556

Or apply online: <https://access.wisconsin.gov/>

BadgerCare Plus is Medicaid for low income citizens and qualified immigrants, up to age 65. Children and pregnant women are eligible at higher income levels. To find out if anyone in your family is eligible and to apply at any time, call 1-888-794-5556 or go to ACCESS.

2. "ObamaCare" Marketplace insurance plans and discounts. If your income is less than \$11,500 a year you can get this at no cost to you. If you make more it is available on a sliding fee scale according to your income.

Call to sign up: 1-800-318-2596

[www.healthcare.gov](http://www.healthcare.gov)

You must be a U.S. citizen or legal resident who is not eligible for government health care coverage (such as Medicare or Medicaid). People with good, affordable insurance through an employer might not be eligible for the discounts.

Sign up for 2017 plans November 1, 2016-January 31, 2017.

**Free help to sign up is available** at the Public Health Madison & Dane County office located at 2705 East Washington Avenue in Madison. For an appointment, call Covering Wisconsin at (608) 261-1455.

### 3. Healthcare coverage for Seniors and People with Disabilities

Call the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of Dane County for information and help to apply: (608) 240-7400

### 4. If you have trouble getting health care insurance, or paying medical bills

ABC for Health provides legal assistance to people who have problems with health insurance or medical bills. Call (608) 261-6939 or go to ABC for Health Can Help.