

State of Wisconsin



2025 Assembly Bill 604

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2025 WISCONSIN ACT

AN ACT to create 49.45 (62) of the statutes; **relating to:** coverage under the Medical Assistance program for incarcerated individuals.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 49.45 (62) of the statutes is created to read:

49.45 (62) PRERELEASE COVERAGE OF INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS. (a) The department shall submit to the secretary of the federal department of health and human services a request for a waiver of federal Medicaid law to conduct a demonstration project to provide incarcerated individuals prerelease health care coverage for the following services under the Medical Assistance program for up to 90 days preceding the incarcerated individual's release if the individual is otherwise eligible for coverage under the Medical Assistance program:

1. Case management services.

2. Medication-assisted treatment for all types of substance use disorders.

3. A 30-day supply of prescription medications.

(b) If a waiver submitted by the department under par. (a) is approved by the federal department of health and human services to provide any or all of the services described in par. (a) 1. to 3., or any portion of those services, the department shall provide reimbursement under the Medical Assistance program for both the federal and nonfederal share of those services provided to incarcerated individuals to the extent approved under the waiver.

SECTION 2. Nonstatutory provisions.

(1) No later than January 1, 2027, the department of health services shall submit the request for a waiver to provide Medical Assistance coverage with federal funding participation as provided under s. 49.45 (62).

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."