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Wisconsin Council on Long-Term Care  
Interested Individuals and Organizations

Dear Interested Parties:

In August 2008 the Department of Health and Family Services released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit entities interested in beginning the process of certification to provide managed long-term care services in Milwaukee County.

Four proposals were received and evaluated by a committee comprised of individuals internal and external to the Department. Three of these proposals were evaluated as meeting the criteria to move to the certification phase of development as a managed care organization: Community Care, Inc. and Community Care Health Plan, Inc.; Independent Care Health Plan (*iCare*); and Milwaukee County Department on Aging-Care Management Organization. One of these three, *iCare*, was notified that it will be required to provide assurances to the Department that it will meet the Family Care Partnership contractual requirements for consumer representation on its governing board. A fourth proposal was deemed insufficient to move to the certification phase of development as a managed care organization. Note: There is a 14-day appeal period for proposers that did not receive Intent to Award Contract letters.

Those entities that successfully meet certification requirements will be offered a contract by DHS to provide Family Care or Family Care Partnership to program enrollees in Milwaukee County. The target date for the start of Family Care enrollments in Milwaukee County under new contracts is November 1, 2009. The table attached identifies entities that submitted successful proposals and the program(s) proposed by each.

All proposals will be posted on the Department's Managed Care Expansion website during the week of February 9-13, 2009. Please check the "What's New" page, periodically, for this information at <http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/ManagedLTC/whatsnew.htm>.

Questions about the procurement process that led to this announcement should be addressed to Susan McKercher, Purchasing Agent, Division of Enterprise Services, at 608-267-7637. Any questions about Long-Term Care Expansion Planning may be addressed to Kathleen Luedtke at 608-267-4896 or [Kathleen.Luedtke@dhs.wisconsin.gov](mailto:Kathleen.Luedtke@dhs.wisconsin.gov).

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Judith E. Frye in cursive.

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Office of Family Care Expansion

Managed Care Organizations Notified of Intent to Award Contracts

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Program(s) Proposed</b>
Community Care, Inc. and Community Care Health Plan	Family Care and Family Care Partnership
Independent Care Health Plan	Family Care Partnership
Milwaukee County Department on Aging – Care Management Organization	Family Care