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State of Wisconsin

Case #: 0000000000

Mailing Date: MM/DD/YYYY

#1: Notice of pending

Scenario: Applicant's application for health care is pending. The applicant does

not have to take any action.

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Your Application for Benefits is Pending

You applied for health care on <DATE>. We are sending this letter because we were not able to process your application within the normal 30-day timeframe. Your application is pending.

No Action Required

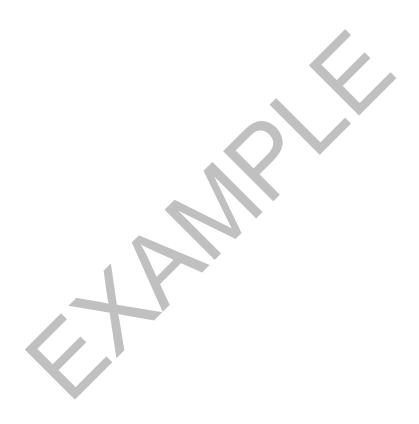
You do not need to do anything. You will be notified of the status of your benefits once your application is finished processing.

If you would like more information, call your agency at the phone number listed at the top of this letter.

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Nondiscrimination Statement

The Department of Health Services is an equal opportunity employer and service provider. All people applying for or who get benefits are protected against discrimination based on race, color, national origin, disability, age, sex or religion. State and federal laws require all health care benefits to be provided on a nondiscriminatory basis.



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You Have the Right to a Fair Hearing About Your Benefits

What is a fair hearing and why should I ask for one?

A fair hearing gives you the chance to tell why you think there has been a wrong decision about your application or benefits. At the hearing, a hearing officer will hear from you and the agency to find out if the decision was right or wrong. You may bring a friend or family member with you to the hearing. You may also be able to get free legal help. To learn more about free legal help, call 1-800-472-1638.

How long do I have to ask for a hearing?

The Division of Hearing and Appeals must get your request for a hearing about the delay in processing your application within 45 days of the date of this letter.

How do I ask for a hearing?

You can ask for a fair hearing and/or a hearing request form from your agency. Or you can get a request form at dhs.wisconsin.gov/forwardhealth/ resources.htm. You can send the form or a letter asking for a hearing to the Division of Hearing and Appeals, PO Box 7875, Madison, WI 53707-7875, or fax it to 608-264-9885.

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#2: Notice of pending

Scenario: Applicant's application is pending for health care, FoodShare, and Caretaker Supplement. The applicant must take action for health care and FoodShare but not for Caretaker Supplement.

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Your Applications for Benefits are Pending; Action is Required by You in Order to Complete Processing

We are sending this letter because your applications for health care, FoodShare, and Caretaker Supplement are pending. Action is required by you in order for us to complete processing.

Health Care Application

You applied on <DATE>. Your application is pending because you did not give us all the information we asked for. Any action, proof, or information needed from you is **due by <DATE>**.

Action Needed

• You need to sign your application.

Proof Needed

Provide proof of:

- Wisconsin residency
- Employment at JOB 1 including: Expected monthly income before taxes or deductions and number of hours worked per pay period.
- Employment at JOB 2 including: Expected monthly income before taxes or deductions and number of hours worked per pay period

Information Needed

- Is anyone in your home currently self-employed, (such as Farming, Crafts, Lawn care, etc.) or has anyone had self-employment in the last 4 months?
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FoodShare Application

You applied on <DATE>. Your application is pending because you did not give us all the information we asked for. Any action, proof, or information needed from you is **due by <DATE>**.

Action Needed

• You need to sign your application.

Proof Needed

Provide proof of:

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Caretaker Supplement Application

You applied on <DATE>. Your application is pending because your agency did not process it within the normal 30-day timeframe. You do not need to take any action.

More Information

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- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
 Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
 1400 Independence Avenue, SW
 Washington, D.C. 20250-9410
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

For any other information dealing with Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) issues, persons should either contact the USDA SNAP Hotline Number at (800) 221-5689, which is also in Spanish or call the <u>State Information/Hotline Numbers</u> (click the link for a listing of hotline numbers by State); found online at: http://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/contact_info/hotlines.htm.

To file a complaint of discrimination regarding a program receiving Federal financial assistance through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), write: HHS Director, Office for Civil Rights, Room 515-F, 200 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20201 or call (202) 619-0403 (voice) or (800) 537-7697 (TTY).

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#3: Notice of pending
Scenario: Applicant's application is pending for FoodShare and the applicant must take action.

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FoodShare Application

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