



**Students in Health Education & Public Safety Division Programs:**

The Wisconsin Caregiver Background Check Law requires background checks of individuals who provide care to clients. The law is intended to safeguard vulnerable children and adults who are being cared for by others. Students in the ADN, Cancer Information Management, Child Care Services/Early Childhood Education, Dental Assistant, EMT/AEMT, Health Information Management, Medical Assistant, Medical Lab Tech, Midwife, Paramedic Technician, and Physical Therapist Assistant programs are all required to fulfill the caregiver background check requirement upon acceptance into the program and before any scheduled clinical experience. **Nursing Assistant program applicants must complete the background check process prior to program acceptance and registration.**

**For Wisconsin Residents:** Southwest Tech has been approved by the Wisconsin Department of Justice to process background checks for our students online. Students are required to pay a \$12 fee to facilitate processing of the Wisconsin background check \*. To initiate this process, complete the attached Background Information Disclosure Form and return it along with your payment and any other necessary documentation to Southwest Tech.

**Make check or money order payable to:** Southwest Tech

**Return Background Information Disclosure Form and payment to:**

Jean Hennessy, Administrative Assistant  
Health Education & Public Safety Division  
Southwest Tech  
1800 Bronson Boulevard  
Fennimore, WI 53809

Please be aware that if a student has been convicted of a crime or offense that is substantially related to their clinical assignment, they could be barred by a clinical agency from fulfilling a clinical assignment. It may also be necessary at times to seek further documentation on disposition of charges that are returned through the background check.

***\*Important Information:*** *If you currently reside in a state other than Wisconsin – or have lived outside of Wisconsin in the past 3 years - please contact the Health Education Division Office at 608-822-2470 for information on the out-of-state background check process before submitting your Background Information Disclosure and payment to Southwest Tech.*

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE (BID) INSTRUCTIONS

The Background Information Disclosure form (F-82064) gathers information as required by the Wisconsin Caregiver Background Check Law to help employers and governmental regulatory agencies make employment, contract, residency, and regulatory decisions. Complete and return the entire form and attach explanations as specified by employer or governmental regulatory agency. **NOTE:** If you are an owner, operator, board member, or non-client resident of a Division of Quality Assurance (DQA) facility, complete the BID, F-82064, and the [Appendix, F-82069](#), and submit both forms to the address noted in the Appendix Instructions.

### CAREGIVER BACKGROUND CHECK LAW

In accordance with the provisions of Chapters 48.685 and 50.065, Wis. Stats., for persons who have been convicted of certain acts, crimes, or offenses:

1. The Department of Health Services (DHS) may not license, certify, or register the person or entity (Note: Employers and Care Providers are referred to as "entities");
2. A county agency may not certify a child care or license a foster or treatment foster home;
3. A child placing agency may not license a foster or treatment foster home or contract with an adoptive parent applicant for a child adoption;
4. A school board may not contract with a licensed child care provider; and
5. An entity may not employ, contract with or, permit persons to reside at the entity.

The list of offenses affecting caregiver eligibility that require rehabilitation review is available from the regulatory agencies or through the Internet at <http://DHS.wisconsin.gov/caregiver/StatutesINDEX.HTM>.

### THE CAREGIVER LAW COVERS THE FOLLOWING EMPLOYERS / CARE PROVIDERS (Referred to as "Entities"):

Programs Regulated under Chapter 48, Wis. Stats.	Treatment Foster Care, Family Child Care Centers, Group Child Care Centers, Residential Care Centers for Children and Youth, Child Placing Agencies, Day Camps for Children, Family Foster Homes for Children, Group Homes for Children, Shelter Care Facilities for Children, and Certified Family Child Care.
Programs Regulated under Chapters 50, 51, and 146, Wis. Stats.	Emergency Mental Health Service Programs, Mental Health Day Treatment Services for Children, Community Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, AODA Services, Community Support Programs, Community Based Residential Facilities, 3-4 Bed Adult Family Homes, Residential Care Apartment Complexes, Ambulance Service Providers, Hospitals, Rural Medical Centers, Hospices, Nursing Homes, Facilities for the Developmentally Disabled, and Home Health Agencies – including those that provide personal care services.
Others	Child Care Providers contracted through Local School Boards

### THE CAREGIVER LAW COVERS THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:

- Anyone employed by or contracting with a covered entity who has access to the clients served, except if the access is infrequent or sporadic and service is not directly related to care of the client. Exception: Emergency medical technicians and first responders are not covered under the Caregiver Law.
- Anyone who is a Child Care Provider who contracts with a School Board under Wisconsin Statute 120.13 (14).
- Anyone who lives on the premises of a covered entity and is 10 years old or over, but is not a client ("non-client resident").
- Anyone who is licensed by DHS.
- Anyone who has a foster home licensed by DHS.
- Anyone certified by DHS.
- Anyone who is a Child Care Provider certified by a county department.
- Anyone registered by DHS.
- Anyone who is a board member or corporate officer who has access to the clients served.

### FAIR EMPLOYMENT ACT

Wisconsin's Fair Employment Law, Chapters 111.31 – 111.395, Wis. Stats., prohibits discrimination because of a criminal record or pending charge; however, it is not discrimination to decline to hire or license a person based on the person's arrest or conviction record if the arrest or conviction is substantially related to the circumstances of the particular job or licensed activity.

### PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION

This information is used to obtain relevant data as required by the provisions set forth by the Wisconsin Caregiver Background Check Law. Providing your social security number is voluntary; however, your social security number is one of the unique identifiers used to prevent incorrect matches. For example, the Department of Justice uses social security numbers, names, gender, race, and date of birth to prevent incorrect matches of persons with criminal convictions. The Department of Health Services' Caregiver Misconduct Registry uses social security numbers as one identifier to prevent incorrect matches of persons with findings of abuse or neglect of a client or misappropriation of a client's property.

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE (BID)

Completion of this form is required under the provisions of Chapters 48.685 and 50.065, Wis. Stats. Failure to comply may result in a denial or revocation of your license, certification, or registration; or denial or termination of your employment or contract. Refer to the instructions (F-82064A) on page 1 for additional information. Providing your social security number is voluntary; however, your social security number is one of the unique identifiers used to prevent incorrect matches.

**PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE YOUR ANSWERS.**

**Check the box that applies to you.**

- Employee / Contractor (including new applicant)  Household member / lives on premises - but not a client  
 Applicant for a license or certification or registration (including continuation or renewal)  Other – Specify:

**NOTE:** If you are an owner, operator, board member, or non-client resident of a Division of Quality Assurance (DQA) facility, complete the BID, F-82064, and the [Appendix, F-82069](#), and submit both forms to the address noted in the Appendix Instructions.

Name – (First and Middle)	Name – (Last)	Position Title (Complete only if you are a prospective employee or contractor, or a current employee or contractor.)	
Any Other Names By Which You Have Been Known (Including Maiden Name)		Birth Date	Gender (M / F)
Race <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaskan Native <input type="checkbox"/> Black <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Asian or Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> White		Social Security Number(s)	
Home Address		City	State    Zip Code
Business Name and Address – Employer or Care Provider (Entity)			

SECTION A – ACTS, CRIMES, AND OFFENSES THAT MAY ACT AS A BAR OR RESTRICTION	YES	NO
1. Do you have any criminal charges pending against you or were you ever convicted of any crime anywhere, including in federal, state, local, military, and tribal courts? ➤ If <b>Yes</b> , list each crime, when it occurred or the date of the conviction, and the city and state where the court is located. You may be asked to supply additional information including a certified copy of the judgment of conviction, a copy of the criminal complaint, or any other relevant court or police documents.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Were you ever found to be (adjudicated) delinquent by a court of law on or after your 10 <sup>th</sup> birthday for a crime or offense? (NOTE: A response to this question is only required for group and family day care centers for children and day camps for children.) ➤ If <b>Yes</b> , list each crime, when and where it happened, and the location of the court (city and state). You may be asked to supply additional information including a certified copy of the delinquency petition, the delinquency adjudication, or any other relevant court or police documents.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Has any government or regulatory agency (other than the police) ever found that you committed child abuse or neglect? A response is required if the box below is checked: <input type="checkbox"/> (Only employers and regulatory agencies entitled to obtain this information per sec. 48.981(7) are authorized to, and should, check this box.) ➤ If <b>Yes</b> , explain, including when and where it happened.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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SECTION A – ACTS, CRIMES, AND OFFENSES THAT MAY ACT AS A BAR OR RESTRICTION	YES	NO
4. Has any government or regulatory agency (other than the police) ever found that you abused or neglected any person or client? ➤ If <b>Yes</b> , explain, including when and where it happened.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Has any government or regulatory agency (other than the police) ever found that you misappropriated (improperly took or used) the property of a person or client? ➤ If <b>Yes</b> , explain, including when and where it happened.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Has any government or regulatory agency (other than the police) ever found that you <b>abused an elderly person</b> ? ➤ If <b>Yes</b> , explain, including when and where it happened.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Do you have a government issued credential that is not current or is limited so as to restrict you from providing care to clients? ➤ If <b>Yes</b> , explain, including credential name, limitations or restrictions, and time period.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SECTION B – OTHER REQUIRED INFORMATION	YES	NO
1. Has any government or regulatory agency ever limited, denied, or revoked your license, certification, or registration to provide care, treatment, or educational services? ➤ If <b>Yes</b> , explain, including when and where it happened.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Has any government or regulatory agency ever denied you permission or restricted your ability to live on the premises of a care providing facility? ➤ If <b>Yes</b> , explain, including when and where it happened and the reason.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Have you been discharged from a branch of the US Armed Forces, including any reserve component? ➤ If yes, indicate the year of discharge: _____ ➤ Attach a copy of your DD214 if you were discharged within the last 3 years.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Have you resided outside of Wisconsin in the last 3 years? ➤ If <b>Yes</b> , list each state and the dates you lived there.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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SECTION B – OTHER REQUIRED INFORMATION	YES	NO
5. Have you had a caregiver background check done within the last 4 years? ➤ If <b>Yes</b> , list the date of each check, and the name, address, and phone number of the person, facility, or government agency that conducted each check.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Have you ever requested a rehabilitation review with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, a county department, a private child placing agency, school board, or DHS designated tribe? ➤ If <b>Yes</b> , list the review date and the review result. You may be asked to provide a copy of the review decision.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**A “NO” answer to all questions does not guarantee employment, residency, a contract, or regulatory approval.**

I understand, under penalty of law, that the information provided above is truthful and accurate to the best of my knowledge and that knowingly providing false information or omitting information may result in a forfeiture of up to \$1,000.00 and other sanctions as provided in DHS 12.05 (4), Wis. Adm. Code.

<b>SIGNATURE</b>	Date Signed
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