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Caring For Wisconsin Caregivers

March 18, 2026 is Health Workforce Well-Being Day!

March 18 is a designated day to recognize the work happening across Wisconsin to support the well-being of our health care workforce. Hospitals and health systems continue to demonstrate leadership, innovation and commitment to creating environments where every member of the care team feels supported and able to thrive.

This day also marks the anniversary of the Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act, now reauthorized, which continues to drive national efforts to strengthen workforce well-being.



Celebrating Wisconsin's Progress

Wisconsin hospitals and health systems recognized as Well-Being First Champions by the Dr. Lorna Breen Heroes' Foundation are being celebrated for their strong commitment to supporting caregivers by ensuring credentialing applications are free from overly broad or unnecessary mental health questions.

Recognition also goes to the many Wisconsin hospitals and health systems currently working to make these important updates. Their ongoing efforts demonstrate meaningful progress and a shared dedication to creating safer, more supportive environments for the health care workforce.

Initiatives like these help strengthen a statewide culture of respect, compassion and support for everyone who cares for Wisconsin's communities.

Caring for Wisconsin's Caregivers

Visit the Caring for Wisconsin's Caregivers website to explore upcoming events, past webinars and a wide range of resources, including guidance on reducing barriers to care-seeking and steps toward becoming a Well-Being First Champion. You can also take advantage of upcoming office hours with Dr. Stefanie Simmons, Chief Medical Officer of the Dr. Lorna Breen Heroes' Foundation, who will be available to offer direct guidance on the credentialing challenge and other workforce well-being strategies.

Join the Celebration

Is your organization marking Health Workforce Well-Being Day? If you're hosting gatherings or appreciation activities, we'd love to see them!

Please share your photos with Nadine Allen. We'll be creating a gallery to celebrate teams across the state.

Thank you for all you continue to do to support and uplift Wisconsin's health care workforce. Your commitment is truly making a difference.

2026 Healthcare Leadership Collaborative in Washington, DC

Join the 3rd annual Healthcare Leadership Collaborative event March 24 in Washington, DC. This event will recognize Health Workforce Well-Being Day and engage interprofessional, cross-sector collaboration to develop, share and commit to action-oriented, systems-change solutions for our health workers' mental health and wellbeing.

Find more information, including registration here.

- "It's Not a Spectator Sport"
- Bipartisan Leaders Tackle Budget, Medicaid and Workforce at Advocacy Day
- WHA's 2026 Health Care Quality Showcase in the Capitol Rotunda
- WHA Makes End-of-Session Push to Move Next-of-Kin Across the Finish Line
- WHA's Zenk Joins Milwaukee Workforce Summit Panel
- Last Week to Register for WHA's Physician Leadership Development Conference
- Caring For Wisconsin Caregivers
- Help Shape a New Emergency Department Peer Support Toolkit – 2-Minute Survey
- Register for Substance Use Disorders Management Boot Camp

EDUCATION EVENTS

Mar. 12, 2026

Spring 2026 Annual Survey Training

Mar. 13, 2026

2026 Physician Leadership Development Conference

Mar. 16, 2026

Wisconsin Rural Health and Substance Use Clinical Support (RHeSUS) Program Offerings