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## THE ADRC-CW RESPONSE TO CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

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The Aging and Disability Resource Center of Central Wisconsin (ADRC-CW) is taking precautionary steps to protect the vulnerable population it serves in Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, and Wood counties amidst the rapidly changing situation with the coronavirus (COVID-19).

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has identified older adults to be at a higher risk for serious illness with COVID-19. In response to the potential higher risk of serious illness among our customers, the ADRC-CW is suspending classes, home visits, and in-office visits until April 3, 2020. The ADRC-CW is also closing the congregate senior dining sites throughout the region. ADRC-CW staff is available for information and assistance by phone.

The ADRC-CW will follow the guidance from our public health officers, emergency management departments, state advisory organizations, and recommendations from the CDC when determining further actions.

The CDC recommends that individuals who are at a higher risk of illness consider the following self-protective measures:

- Avoid public places and gatherings
- Wash hands often
- Stay home when you are sick
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- If you are feeling ill, call your health provider

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The ADRC-CW is a regional organization providing consistent aging and disability resource center and Older Americans Act services to the counties of Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, and Wood. It is guided by one board of directors, an advisory committee, and administered by one management team.

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