



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**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 beginning Wednesday, March 18, 2020 through Friday, April 3, 2020.

The ADRC-CW is also closing the congregate senior dining sites throughout the region. A limited number of dining sites will remain open to customers living in senior apartments (senior dining will be closed to persons living outside of the residential building). Selected community dining sites will be open for customers to pick up packaged meals. Refer to the Altered Nutrition Services Plan - COVID-19 Response.

Meals on Wheels will continue in all four counties. ADRC-CW staff are available for information and assistance by phone. Homebound adults 60 years and older, should call 888-486-9545 to determine meal eligibility and the options may best meet their needs.

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.

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Suite 1  
Marshfield, WI 54449

**Merrill**

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607 N Sales St  
Suite 206  
Merrill, WI 54452

**Wausau**

715-261-6070  
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Suite 25  
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*WE PROVIDE WELCOMING, TRUSTWORTHY, RESPECTFUL, COLLABORATIVE, AND EMPOWERING SERVICES, PROGRAMS, AND OPPORTUNITIES.*

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

Anyone wishing to contribute to the ADRC-CW to support the additional costs of providing Meals on Wheels to homebound seniors during this crisis please mail checks to Aging and Disability Resource Center of Central Wisconsin, 2600 Stewart Avenue, Wausau, WI 54401. Indicate your payment is for Meals on Wheels.

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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. The ADRC-CW is guided by a board of directors and an advisory committee and operated by one administration team.*



**Altered ADRC-CW Nutrition Services Plan during COVID-19 Response\***

**Dining Sites are remaining open to only to residential customers (*Senior Dining will be closed to persons living outside of the residential buildings*). Meals will be packaged and picked-up in the dining area at designated time. Customers will take their meal to eat in their apartment. Coffee will not be offered.**

1. Huntington House, WI Rapids – Meals packaged at Centralia. Linda will pick up the meals from Centralia & deliver to customers in dining room at Huntington House at designated time (11:15 to 11:45)
2. Cedar Rail, Marshfield - Meals packaged in-house. Senior Dining customer will pick up meals from dining room at at designated time (11:15 to 11:45)
3. Riverview Towers, Wausau - Meals packaged in-house. Senior Dining customer will pick up meals from dining room at designated time (10:45 to 11:30)
4. Jenny Towers, Merrill – Meals packaged by Lynn & delivered to Jenny Towers. Senior Dining customer will pick up meals from dining room at designated time (10:30 to 11:00)

All regular Senior Dining customers are welcome to have a packaged meal; however, we want to ensure preference is given to our most vulnerable. Senior Dining customers interested in a packaged meal, the individual or a loved one can pick up the packaged meal from designated dining site (Tomahawk, Elcho, Pickerel, Antigo Community Church, or Centralia) at designated time. Meals will be packaged and picked-up in the dining area at designated time. Customers will take their meal to at their home. Coffee will not be offered.

For Senior Dining customers who still need a meal, but cannot easily pick it up from a dining site can arrange for delivery to their home.

Dining Sites Suspending Senior Dining Services AND Continuing Meals on Wheels packaging as usual:

<b>Senior Dining Location</b>	<b>Designated Pick-up Time</b>
Tomahawk Community Center	10:30 to 11:00 a.m.
Elcho Community Center	11:00 to 11:30 a.m.
St. Mary’s Church, Pickerel	11:00 to 11:30 a.m.
Antigo Community Church	11:00 to 11:30 a.m.
Centralia Center, WI Rapids	11:30 a.m.

Dining Sites where meals are suspended. Nutrition Site Managers from Nekoosa and Second Street Community Center (SSCC) Marshfield will assist at dining sites identified below:

<b>Senior Dining Location</b>	<b>Designated Pick-up Details</b>
Nekoosa Community Center	Nekoosa regular customers interested in a packaged meal can pick up from Centralia.
SSCC Marshfield	SSCC regular customers packaged meals pick-up option <b>to be determined.</b>

**\*Meals on Wheels Deliveries will continue as usual**