

# WHSFMA

WISCONSIN HUMAN SERVICES FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

**2023 Conference -May 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>**

Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center  
Stevens Point, WI



**Moving Upstream – Pointing Towards the Future**

To clearly see where we are and then wonder how to make that better.



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*WHSFMA is a statewide organization of individuals who are interested in the improvement of their skills for financial support, sharing ideas and information.*

## WHSFMA Conference Planning Committee

Region	Name and County	Term
Northwestern	Patty Dujardin, Sawyer DHHS	2024
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Southeastern	John Clark, Washington DHS	2023
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## Schedule of Events

### *Tuesday, May 23, 2023*

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- 11:00 – 12:45**     **Registration – Outside Expo 4**
- 12:45 – 1:00**     **General Session – Expo 4**  
**Welcome and Announcements** – Keri Nelson
- 1:00 – 1:25**     **General Session – Expo 4**  
**DHS Updates & Discussion** – Julie Anstett, Director of Area Administration; Amy Bell-Ferries, Deputy Director of Area Administration;  
*Overview of current items included in Governor’s proposed budget – items included in this presentation are pending legislation and changes may occur before the final budget is approved.*
- 1:25 – 1:45**     **General Session – Expo 4**  
**Overview of Opioid Settlement Funds coming to Wisconsin** - Paul Krupski, Director of Opioid Initiatives;  
*In February 2022, the first two settlements were reached in the National Prescription Opioid Litigation (NPOL). This session will provide an overview of how these funds are received by the state of Wisconsin and local governments, and also provide updates on current strategies and programs supported by these funds. An overview of additional NPOL settlements still in litigation will also be shared.*
- 1:55 – 2:40**     **General Session – Expo 4**  
**DCF Updates & Discussion** – TBD;  
*Receive updates and get your questions answered by DCF staff. Talking points may include but aren’t limited to Child Care funding, impacts of the Governor’s proposed budget, and more!*
- 2:50 – 3:10**     **General Session – Expo 4**  
**WCHSA Updates & Discussion** – John Tuohy, Executive Director for WCHSA;  
*Discuss collaboration between WCHSA and WHSFMA on financial issues regarding human service programs. Financial issues include state/county contract process and policy changes affecting state reimbursement to counties. Will also provide update on WCHSA priorities for the 2023-25 state budget.*
- 3:10 – 3:30**     **Break – Expo 4**
- 3:30 – 5:00**     **General Session – Expo 4**  
**Cost Allocation – What, Where, Why?** – Bridget Vanlaanen, Auditor & Wisconsin Human Services Consultant from Clifton Larson Allen LLP;  
*Direct, allocated, indirect, allowable, allocable – what does it all mean? We’ll learn about all the different types of costs, federal and state rules about allocating them and best practices to make your monthly and annual reporting processes more efficient!*

### **Cash Bar Before/During Banquet – Convention Center – Expo 3A/3B**

- 5:30**             **Banquet**
- 7:00**             **Hospitality Room - Spruce**  
*Still not ready for the night end? Join us after the banquet for more networking, games, and loads of laughs. Bring your own drinks and snacks to our back by popular demand Hospitality Room!*

### *Wednesday, May 24, 2023*

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- 7:30 – 8:20**     **Registration - Outside Expo 4**
- 7:30 – 8:20**     **Breakfast – Expo 3A/3B**

**Wednesday, May 24, 2023 (Continued)**

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- 8:20 – 9:20**      **Session I – Expo 4**  
**What I Wish I Knew** – Dani Boushon, Financial Manager, Clark County; Coleen Krasowski, Accountant, Marathon County;  
*It is no secret that with time, comes wisdom (generally speaking). The purpose of this session is to build connection by shared experiences with those in our field, whether it is your first year or going on your thirtieth year. Enjoy reminiscing about your first days on the job with those who are just beginning or find connection with those who have developed their expertise over the years.*
- 8:20 – 9:20**      **Session II – Spruce**  
**County Cost Reporting – WiLearn - TBD**
- 9:30 – 10:40**      **Session I – Expo 4**  
**County Cost Settlement Reporting: The real updates you have been wanting to know** – Steve Milioto, Program and Planning Analyst Advanced; Loren Wilde, Section Manager;  
*Staff from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services will provide updates regarding Wisconsin Medicaid Cost Reporting (WIMCR), Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) and Community Recovery Services (CRS) cost reporting.*
- 9:30 – 10:40**      **Session II – Spruce**  
**Substance Abuse Block Grant and Mental Health Block Grant Supplemental Funds Overview** – Ryan Stachowiak, Bureau of Prevention Treatment and Recovery, Division of Care and Treatment;  
*An overview will be provided of the various behavioral health initiative areas funded through supplemental funds from the American Rescue Plan Act and overseen by the Bureau of Prevention Treatment and Recovery at the Wisconsin Department of Health Services.*
- 10:40 – 11:00**      **Break – Expo 4**
- 11:00 – 12:00**      **Session I – Expo 4**  
**I Didn't Get Enough WIMCR** - Steve Milioto, Program and Planning Analyst Advanced; Loren Wilde, Section Manager;  
*Do you still have unanswered questions? Did the County Cost Settlement Reporting Session lead you to more questions? Take this opportunity to dive a little deeper and participate in an open Q/A with the top experts, Steve and Loren.*
- 11:00 – 12:00**      **Session II – Spruce**  
**942/HSRR Overview** – Dan DeValve, Budget and Policy Analyst, DHS;  
*The Human Services Revenue Report and 942 Financial Report are crucial to maintaining federal social services funding to Wisconsin. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn more about the importance of these reports and see trends over the last several years of county financial and revenue reporting.*
- 12:10 – 12:40**      **Business Meeting – Expo 4**
- 12:40 – 1:30**      **Lunch – Expo 3A/3B**
- 1:40 – 2:40**      **General Session – Expo 4**  
**Put Your Oxygen Mask On First** – Todd Kuckkahn;  
*Change and uncertainty is all around us. Just like in an emergency on an airplane, we need to put our mask on first before we can help others. We need to work from the inside out. Once we grow ourselves, we can turn to supporting others. How do we create that engaging workplace that turns Mondays into Fridays?*
- 2:40 – 3:00**      **Break – Expo 4**

**Wednesday, May 24, 2023 (Continued)**

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- 3:00 – 4:00**      **Session I – Expo 4**  
**Billing Panel** –Hailey Laws, Fiscal Supervisor, Green County; Rachel Morgan, Fiscal Support Supervisor, Walworth County DHHS; Krisan Bastil, Accounting Assistant, Price County DHHS;  
*This session is intended to create an atmosphere of information sharing, dialogue, and support between experienced billers, those just starting out and everyone in between.*
- 3:00 – 4:00**      **Session II – Spruce**  
**CARS to GEARS Transition Updates** – Vanessa Salata, Expenditure Accounting Section Manager, Bureau of Fiscal Services, DHS; Martina Allen, Deputy Finance Director, Bureau of Fiscal Services, DHS;  
*An update on the transition between the CARS and GEARS systems at DHS that pay out community aids and other funding.*

**Thursday, May 25, 2023**

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- 7:30 – 9:20**      **Hot Buffet Breakfast and Networking – Expo 3A/3B**
- 9:30 – 10:45**      **Session I – Expo 4**  
**ADRC** - Joshua Bachert and April Little, Budget and Policy Analyst for Office for Resource Center Development;  
*Get some of your most common Aging and Disability Resource Center fiscal management questions answered. Topics may include staff time and CARS expenditure reporting, annual reporting and more!*
- 9:30 – 10:45**      **Session II – Spruce**  
**Grant Tracking** – John Clark, Accounting Specialist, Washington County; Betty Bickel, Deputy Director/Operations Manager, Oconto County;  
*In this session we will be exploring how counties track their Grant Spending. Examples of tracking will be shown as well as having a chance to share your own. Please bring your suggestions and questions to discuss with your peers.*
- 10:45 – 11:00**      **Break – Expo 4**
- 11:00 – 12:00**      **General Session – Expo 4**  
**Audits, Waivers and Updates** – Barbara A. Loescher, Chief, Internal Audit Section, DHS;  
*This session will focus on audits required of both counties and providers. We will also discuss audit waivers, general guidelines, and when they are appropriate. You will also learn about revisions to the DHS Audit Guide and upcoming changes to the State Single Audit Guidelines.*

**Thank you for attending the 43<sup>rd</sup> WHSFMA Conference**

## **Registration – Deadline is 4/25/2023**

**To Register for the Conference**, you must complete the registration form online at [www.WHSFMA.org](http://www.WHSFMA.org) for each individual attending. Payment may be mailed into the address below. Online payment is also available this year with an \$8 convenience fee. Be sure to include payment for additional meals requested for non-registered guests. Fees are non-refundable for no-shows unless cancelled by Tuesday, April 25, 2023.

**Checks Payable and Mail To:**

WHSFMA Conference  
Cathy Swenson, Treasurer  
Jefferson County DHS  
1541 W Annex Rd,  
Jefferson, WI 53549

**Registration Questions/Concerns/Changes:**

Cathy Swenson  
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**1 CPE credit = 50 minutes related to your field**

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## **Lodging – Deadline is 4/25/2023**

**Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center  
1001 Amber Avenue Stevens Point, WI 54482**

A block of rooms, subject to state rate, has been established with the above-mentioned hotel; however, hotel reservations/cancellations/payment are the responsibility of the registrants. Below is information for this block. When calling, ask for the Wisconsin Human Services Financial Management Association group with a block code of WG.W. **Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center will not guarantee the state rate or availability of a room beyond April 25<sup>th</sup>.**

**For Reservations by phone:**

**1-715-344-0200 and press #3**

**For 24 hour online reservations follow the link:**

**[WHSFMA](#)**

**Check in Time Starting At: 3:00 p.m. (Firm)**

**Check out Time: 11:00 a.m.**

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Fees & Menu

<b>Registration Fees (includes all breaks/meals for the day you register):</b>		
	Full Conference – Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	\$225
	Two-Day Conference – Tuesday & Wednesday	\$190
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<b>Add-On Meal Rates (for non-registered conference guests only)</b>		
	Banquet – Tuesday Evening	\$50
	Breakfast – Wednesday	\$18
	Lunch – Wednesday	\$20
	Breakfast – Thursday	\$18

Tuesday:

**P.M. Break:** Assorted cookies and soda

**Banquet Buffet:** Traditional – Turkey Breast w/ roasted garlic gravy, Roasted Ham w/ whole grain mustard Sauce, Smashed potatoes, Corn and peas, Mixed greens, Pasta salad, Fresh rolls, and Desserts.

Wednesday:

**Breakfast Buffet:** Seasonal Fruit, Assorted yogurt, Fluffy egg croissant sandwiches, Assorted fruit pastries, Fresh muffins, Bagels, coffee, tea, and juice.

**A.M. Break:** Granola bars, coffee, tea, and water.

**Lunch:** Italian Buffet – Tossed Garden salad, Penne, Spaghetti, Alfredo Sauce, Bolognese Sauce, Vegetable, Breadsticks

**P.M. Break:** Brownies, trail mix, coffee, tea, soda, and flavored water.

Thursday:

**Breakfast Buffet:** From the Griddle – French toast, Sausage, Breakfast potatoes

**A.M. Break:** Yogurt, coffee, and tea.

If you have dietary restrictions, please email [keri.nelson@co.price.wi.us](mailto:keri.nelson@co.price.wi.us) to see if accommodations can be made.