



FACT SHEET: WISCONSIN

SICK KIDS



HOW MANY

More than 19,400 children in WI have a complex medical problem that limits their life expectancy

(based on 2019-2020 NSCH)

Cost = ~\$82,000/yr/child

HOSPICE FOR KIDS

WI has 182 infants to adolescents enrolled in pediatric hospice care.



(based on 2011-2013 Medicaid)



IN THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS

Milwaukee (CD 1,4-6) =149

Green Bay (CD 8) = 17

Eau Claire (CD 3) = 12

PEDIATRIC HOSPICE ROCKS

- Pain & symptom management
- Medical care concurrent with hospice (ACA, section 2302)
- Care continuity
- Family support



.... BUT



- Care starts at 6 months to live
- Coordinating hospice and medical care is complicated
- 11 out of 112 WI hospices have a pediatric program
- Care is not comprehensive

IMPROVING POLICY



> 19,400 WI families would benefit from a comprehensive, coordinated policy



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