

Aging and Disability Center can help elderly

Finding the right insurance plan or getting help to receive a benefit such as Supplemental Security Income can sometimes be difficult to navigate. That's where the Elderly Benefit Specialist Program offered through the Aging and Disability Resource Center branches in Calumet, Outagamie and Waupaca counties comes in.

The program can help seniors over 60 with consumer problems, medicare supplemental insurance, prescription drug assistance programs, private health insurance, supplemental security income, medical assistance application, Medicare A, B, C and D, veterans benefits, FoodShare Wisconsin, housing and utility issues and Social Security. The ADRC also has disability benefit specialists to help those with disabilities under the age of 60 navigate public and private benefit programs.

The ADRC, which opened in July 2006, is designed to be a no-cost, single point of contact for senior citizens and individuals with disabilities looking for assistance. For more information or assistance, please call 866-739-2372 or stop at one of the branches.

The ADRC branches also provides services in the following categories: information and assistance, long-term care options counseling, benefits counseling, disease prevention and early intervention services, short-term care management, eligibility determination for state-funded long-term support benefits and information about community programs. For more information about the ADRC, visit www.youradrcresource.org.

The ADRC in Outagamie County is located at 401 S. Elm Street. Call 832-5178 for more information.