

Agenda- Jasper County Cares Coalition



Mission: To enhance the awareness of health and human service resources and promote collaboration to better serve Jasper County.

Vision: Safe, healthy, and connected Jasper County.

Sign-in and information table:

- Please check your agency contact information and make sure it is correct.
- Information Table: Please bring any information or giveaways that you would like to share.

Welcome/Updates: Welcome folders are available.

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- Tracie Backstrom, tracie@shortyears.org, Short Years Parents as Teachers
New PAT referrals: <https://forms.gle/2U3ypiRrYHgosyx16>
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- Cathy Drost, cdrost@iastate.edu, Iowa State Food and Health Specialist
- Sarah Mainya, sarah.mainya@mercyone.org, House of Mercy Peer Support- new program
- Josh Price, jprice@jasperia.org, Jasper County General Assistance and Veterans Affairs, shared benefits coordinator.
- Michelle White, michelle.white@agingresources.com, Aging Resources
- Mike Hunsberger, mhunsberger@mysheepgate.org, Sheep Gate in Colfax

Special Request:

Analysis of current services in Jasper County (Becky Pryor, Jasper County Health Dept.)

- County Improvement Plan: mental health, substance misuse, wellness, lack of providers, childcare, homelessness, housing, food insecurities, healthcare transportation
- SWOT analysis activity. Strength, Weakness, Opportunities, and Threats
- Summary. Next meeting: Gaps in service

Subgroups today

Senior Focused at 9:30 AM-10:15 AM (before the meeting)

- Newton YMCA Senior Health fair, TBA

- Healthcare MOU with EMA. Requesting all healthcare facilities attend.

Schools (after the meeting) Child Abuse Prevention Month- pinwheel bouquets/signs, Prom prevention activities, mental health/crisis, crisis resources from Perry School incident, and substance misuse.

Member Introductions/Share (1 minute for each agency)

- Please state your name, organization, any changes, upcoming events. Take a moment for any questions.

Other business

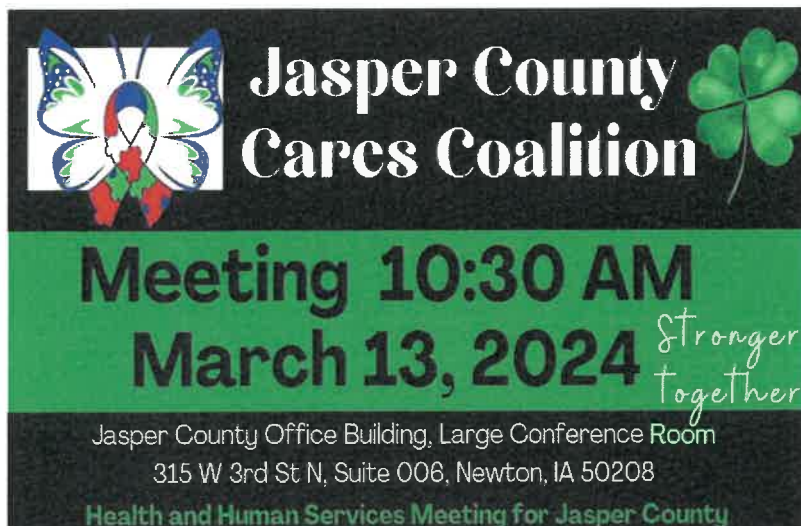
- Resource guide: jaspercocares@jasperia.org. Please send any updates, republished monthly
Click link: https://www.jasperia.org/files/health/resource_guide_54108.pdf
A new online, interactive resource guide coming soon to the Jasper County Website!!!!
<https://www.jasperia.org/>
- EFR Grant: Integrated Provider Network (IPN) Grant Assessment Update
- Opioid Settlement Funds- The third round will be available in the Spring.
https://www.jasperia.org/health/opioid_settlement/
- Any special, immediate needs from the group?

Future Subgroups: Open invitation to attend. All subgroups will be in the large conference room.

- Senior focus dates 2024: February 14, May 8, August 14, November 13th from 9:30-10:15 AM
- Maternal Health Coalition dates 2024: March 13, June 12, September 11, December 11 from 9:30-10:15 AM, Virtual and in person.
- Jasper Co. Schools dates 2024: after each meeting (Mental Health, Crisis, Substance Misuse) 11:30 AM

Next Meeting: March 13, 2024, 10:30-noon, Jasper County Office Building Conference #006

Next month: Maternal Child Health 9:30 AM led by Jana Larsen from MICA



The graphic features a butterfly logo on the left and a four-leaf clover on the right. The text is as follows:

Jasper County Cares Coalition

Meeting 10:30 AM
March 13, 2024 *Stronger Together*

Jasper County Office Building, Large Conference Room
315 W 3rd St N, Suite 006, Newton, IA 50208

Health and Human Services Meeting for Jasper County

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/JasperCountyCaresCoalition/>

Contact: Becky Pryor at email: jaspercocares@jasperia.org

February packet

- Jasper County Cares Agenda- 2 pages
- Postcards of upcoming meetings: coalition, seniors, schools, Maternal Child Health
- List of contacts- 4 pages.
- HHS System Snapshot- Jasper County- 2 pages
- Grant funding- Geisler –Penquite Foundation
- “What you need to know about treatment and recovery” - 2 pages
- Substance Misuse Treatment for Jasper County Residents- 4 pages
- Parents as Teachers now accepting referrals
- Amerigroup- rebrand to Wellpoint- 5 pages
- 1st Five Newsletter- 3 pages
- Young Women’s Resource Center
- Open Arms Foundation of Jasper County grand opening was held on February 1.
- Elderly Nutrition- volunteers needed
- Events in Jasper
 - Free Tax Program
 - Wolfe Ranch Summer Camps 2024- 2 pages
 - Newton Public Library, Baby Storytime, Toddler Storytime, Preschool Storytime
 - Newton YMCA- free spring youth soccer, lil and Jr. Pro Tennis
 - Bingo-cize, Aging resources
 - PTSD, Trauma, Suicide Prevention Awareness, February 22
 - Newton Public Library, Dental Health Storytime, February 22
 - Newton YMCA, MSSP Self Defense, Berg Middle School, 5th and 6th graders
 - Free Movie, Newton Public Library, March 11, March 13
 - Newton YMCA, Spring Break Camp
 - United Way, Ladies Night Legos and Bingo, March 21
 - Iowa Legal Aid, 3/27/2024
 - Youth Baseball League, April 27
- Jasper County Opioid Settlement Funds Application- TBD this spring. 4 pages
- Analysis of services offered (health and human services) for Jasper County - for the meeting
- Newton Village: Job openings RNs and LPNs. \$5000 sign-on bonus. Day shift.
- Resources for Iowans. From the Perry tragedy.

Join us!



Jasper County Cares Coalition



SCAN ME

Meeting dates 2024

- Feb 14
- Mar 13
- Apr 10
- May 8
- Jun 12
- Aug 14
- Sep 11
- Oct 9
- Nov 13
- Dec 11

Time: 10:30 AM

Why attend?

- Networking
- Subgroups & focus projects
- Only 1 meeting per month
- Social Media PR, announcements
- Monthly email updates, funding
- Resource Table & Guide- see QR

Contact: jaspercocares@jasperia.org

Location: Jasper County Office Building, Large Conference Room
315 W. 3rd St N., Suite 006, Newton, IA 50208

SENIOR FOCUSED

SUBGROUP FOR ORGANIZATIONS
SERVING JASPER CO.

Meeting 9:30-10:15 AM
(before Jasper Cares Meeting)

2024

Feb 14, May 8, Aug 14, Nov 13

Location: Jasper Co. Office Building, Large Conference
315 W 3rd St N, Newton, IA 50208





Jasper County
Cares Coalition

Jasper Co. Schools Subgroup

Meeting 11:30 AM to noon

After JCC meeting

Location: Jasper County Office Building, Large Conference Room
315 W 3rd St N, Suite 006, Newton, IA 50208



MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH

Virtual and In-person

Location: 315 W 3rd St N, Large Conference Room,
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Time: 9:30 AM

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Save the Dates: 2024

MARCH 13 • JUNE 12 • SEPTEMBER 11 • DECEMBER 11

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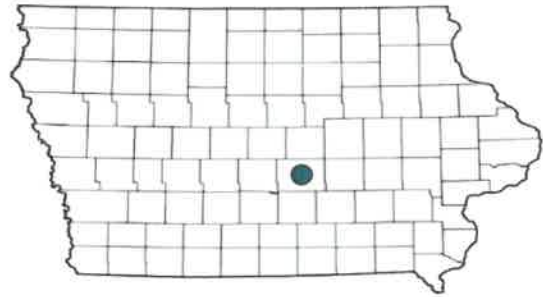
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HHS SYSTEM SNAPSHOT JASPER COUNTY

Population	37,764
Life Expectancy	79.1 years
County Classification	Micropolitan

STATE OF IOWA	
Population	3,200,517
Life Expectancy	78.7 years



ACCESS TO CARE



Part of Jasper County is a **shortage** area for **Primary Care Physicians**



Jasper County is not a **shortage** area for **Dental Care Providers**

Access to care includes the ability to navigate the health care system, find care locally, and pay for services. When someone lacks one or more of these abilities, disparities may emerge.

MENTAL HEALTH

4.4
Poor mental health days per month
4.4 days/mo. Iowa avg

Poor mental health is associated with **smoking, physical inactivity, housing insecurity, food insecurity, and insufficient sleep**. Mental disorders like **depression and anxiety** can affect people's ability to take part in healthy behaviors.

Jasper County is a **shortage** area for **Mental Health Care Providers**

There are far fewer mental health providers in Iowa than the national average. There are wide differences in **access to mental health providers** across the state.

ADDICTIVE DISORDERS

24.6%
of adults report binge drinking
24.7% Iowa avg

Alcohol is the most commonly misused substance in Iowa. **Iowa's alcohol use rates for almost every demographic are among the highest in the nation.**

131
residents received substance use treatment in 2023
17,477 total patients admitted in Iowa

Substance use disorders involve misuse of one or more substances and may lead to social, physical, mental, and public health problems. Drug use rates in Iowa are similar to the rest of the nation.

Social, Economic and Environmental Factors

ECONOMIC STABILITY & INCOME

Economic stability is the connection between the financial resources people have and their physical and mental health.

People living in poverty are at greater risk for mental illness and chronic diseases.



8.8%

Live below the rate of poverty

11% Iowa avg



9,536

are enrolled in Medicaid

HOUSING & TRANSPORTATION

In Iowa, cost-burden, spending more than 30% of income on housing costs, is the most common housing problem.

Housing instability as well as unsafe, unhealthy, or unaffordable housing negatively affects mental and physical health. Transportation issues may result in missed or delayed health care appointments, increased health expenditures and overall poor health outcomes.



23.6%

Households spend 30% or more on housing

23% Iowa avg



4.1%

Households do not have a vehicle

5.6% Iowa avg

Healthy Behaviors and Outcomes

ACTIVE LIVING & HEALTHY EATING

Being overweight or obese can lead to serious health issues such as cardiovascular disease, diabetes, stroke, depression, and certain cancers. A lack of consistent access to healthy food can lead to chronic diseases, obesity, or developmental problems. In Iowa, 89 out of 99 counties have areas identified as having low food access.



36.3%

of adults have an unhealthy body weight (BMI of 30.0 or higher)

36.3% Iowa avg



2,820

Individuals experiencing food insecurity

CANCER

Many risk behaviors linked to cancer can be prevented such as excessive drinking, using tobacco products, physical inactivity, poor nutrition, and ultraviolet light exposure. Cancer screening tests can help detect cancer at earlier stages, making treatment easier and improving rates of survival.



464.8

County incidence rate for cancer (per 100,000 people)

486.8 Iowa avg



159.4

County death rate from cancer (per 100,000 people)

154.2 Iowa avg

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JASPER COUNTY (IOWA) NON-PROFITS INVITED TO APPLY FOR GRANTS TO ESTABLISH ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Newton, IA, February 5, 2024 -- Board members of the Geisler-Penquite Foundation invite Jasper County non-profit organizations to submit applications for funding to support charitable work benefiting Jasper County residents. Geisler-Penquite Foundation grants, which are available only to Jasper County (Iowa) non-profits, must be invested by recipient organizations and held in a dedicated Geisler-Penquite Endowment. Each year, only earnings from the Endowment may be utilized to fund organizations' current operations, projects, or special programs.

Established in 2009, the Geisler-Penquite Foundation's roots trace back to 1969 when the Geisler Penquite Charitable Corporation was created with just \$7,000 by the Jasper County farm family of John E. and Gertrude Setzer Geisler and their children, Harold and Cecil. Since then, distribution of the family's farm holdings and investments have resulted in grants totaling nearly \$9 million to Central College and 16 Jasper County non-profit organizations whose missions align closely with the family's deeply held values of hard work, diligence, a love for learning and strong adherence to Christian principles.

In 1977, the family's desire to invest in Christian higher education inspired Cecil Geisler Penquite and her husband, Loren, and Harold Geisler and his wife, Mavis, who resided in rural Mingo at the time, to donate \$500,000—then the largest single gift to Central College in the school's history—to fund educational materials, technologies, and learning experiences available in the Geisler Learning Resource Center.

In addition to Central College's Learning Resource Center and Education Department, long-time Geisler-Penquite Foundation grant recipients include Baxter Community Educational Scholarships, Centre for Arts & Artists, Colfax Mingo Scholarships, Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity (for Jasper County projects), Iowa Sculpture Festival, Jasper Community Foundation-Mingo, Jasper Community Foundation-Newton, Jasper County 4-H, Jasper County Historical Museum, Newton Dollars for Scholars, Newton Y.M.C.A., Park Centre/WesleyLife, Progress Industries Foundation, Newton Arboretum & Botanical Gardens, Mercy One/Newton Medical Center, and Sheepgate - Division of Teen Challenge of the Midlands.

Geisler-Penquite Foundation board members include Dan Skokan, president and treasurer; Eric Sickler, vice president; Sheri Roslien secretary; Noreen Otto, John Roslien, Eugene Knopf and Maurine Timmer. Gary Timmer serves as advisor to the board.

More information and application forms may be requested by calling (719) 641-1478 or writing to Geisler-Penquite Foundation, 164 Delft Drive, Pella, IA 50219. The submission deadline for new grant applications is July 1, 2024.

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What You Need to Know About Treatment and Recovery

There is hope.
Recovery is possible.



Addiction Is A Disease

Opioids are highly addictive, and they change how the brain works. Anyone can become addicted, even when opioids are prescribed by a doctor and taken as directed. In fact, millions of people in the United States suffer from opioid addiction.

Signs of Opioid Addiction

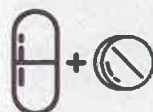
A major warning sign of addiction is if a person keeps using opioids even though taking them has caused problems—like trouble keeping a job, relationship turmoil, or run-ins with law enforcement. Other signs can include:¹

Opioid Use Disorder

Sometimes referred to as “opioid addiction,” opioid use disorder is a chronic and relapsing disease that affects the body and brain. It can cause difficulties with tasks at work, school, or home, and can affect someone’s ability to maintain healthy relationships. It can even lead to overdose and death.



Trying to stop or cut down on drug use, but not being able to.



Taking one drug to get over the effects of another.



Stealing drugs or money to pay for drugs.



Using drugs because of being angry or upset with other people.



Being scared at the thought of running out of drugs.



Overdosing on drugs.

¹ findtreatment.gov/content/understanding-addiction/addiction-can-affect-anyone

To learn more about opioid misuse, go to cdc.gov/RxAwareness.



Recovery Is Possible

Recovery does not happen overnight. Asking for help from family, friends, co-workers, and others can make a big difference. Tell them your reasons for quitting and ask them to check in with you about how things are going. If you know or suspect someone is struggling, ask if you can help.



Treatment Can Help

Treatment can help people get their lives back before it is too late. No single treatment method is right for everyone, but research shows that combining behavioral therapy with medication is the most effective approach for overcoming opioid addiction.

Addiction is a disease that for many involves long-term follow-up and repeated care to be effective and prevent relapse. **When people make a recovery plan that includes medication for opioid use disorder, their chances of success increase.** Medications can help normalize brain chemistry, relieve cravings, and in some cases prevent withdrawal symptoms.

Medication-Assisted Treatment Options

Talk with your doctor to find out what types of medication are available in your area and what options are best for you. Be sure to ask about the risk of relapse and overdose.

Methadone

- Available as daily liquid
- Can only be used in a certified opioid treatment program setting

Buprenorphine

- Available as dissolving tablet, cheek film, or 6-month implant under the skin
- Can be prescribed by a doctor for use outside of a clinic

Naltrexone

- Can be prescribed by any healthcare provider who can legally prescribe medication
- Only used for people who have not used opioids for at least 7–10 days

Find Treatment Services

Use these resources to find services that fit your needs:

Mental Health and Addiction Insurance Help: hhs.gov/programs/topic-sites/mental-health-parity/mental-health-and-addiction-insurance-help/index.html

Health Center Locator: findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov

Behavioral Health Treatment Services Locator: findtreatment.samhsa.gov

Opioid Treatment Program Directory by State: dpt2.samhsa.gov/treatment/directory.aspx

Additional resources to access help:

- **Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT)**
- **Decisions in Recovery: Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder**
- **Facing Addiction in America | The Surgeon General's Report on Alcohol, Drugs, and Health**

Substance Misuse- Treatment

Capstone Behavioral Healthcare

Assistance for psychiatric services and medication management, mental health, substance abuse, and chemical dependency counseling, supported independent living, residential, and representative payee services, prevention, and awareness education, & a 24/7 crisis hotline.

1123 1st Avenue E., Suite 200

Newton, IA 50208

Phone: 641-792-4012 24/7 Crisis Line: 800-332-4224

Website: www.capstonebh.com

Central Iowa Psychological Services

Provides adult & pediatric mental health services: individual therapy, TMS therapy, substance misuse counseling, medication management and group therapy. Telehealth is available.

215 N.W. 18th Street

Ankeny, IA 50023

Phone: 515-348-8258

Website: www.iowacounseling.com

Clearview Recovery, Inc.

Long term residential substance abuse treatment to women. Assists clients develop long term sobriety skills. Many clients live in the facility with their children, and whole family wellness services are offered through collaboration with community providers.

Jasper County Opioid Settlement Funds are available for Jasper County residents, also an Extra 30-days program.

501 N. Sherman Street

Prairie City, IA 50228

Phone: 515-994-3562 (24/7 line)

Website: www.clearviewrecoveryinc.org

Discover Hope 517 Ministry

A faith-based ministry and addiction resource center dedicated to providing recovery and restoration for those struggling with addiction. Men's restoration center now open in 2024.

Jasper County Opioid Settlement Funds help fund the resource center.

733 1st Avenue E.

Newton, IA 50208

Phone: 641-841-0598

Website: <https://discoverhope517.org>

Everly Ball , Rural Behavioral Health Team

Wraparound spectrum of services intended to increase access to mental health and substance use care for consumers of all ages in Jasper County. Consumers who have encountered barriers to seeking medication management, therapy, case management, or peer support services are eligible for each of these services offered in-home, free of charge.

Phone: 515-598-1787 Email: ruralbhteam@everlyball.org

Website: <https://www.unitypoint.org/desmoines/rural-behavioral-health-team.aspx>

House of Mercy – Newton Center

Outpatient treatment center that serves adults, adolescents, and children with substance abuse and mental health needs. Services include outpatient substance abuse assessment, outpatient chemical dependency treatment, OWI assessments, and mental health & expressive arts therapy. New peer support program 2024 funded by the Jasper County Opioid Settlement Funds.

200 N. 8th Avenue E.

Newton, IA 50208

Phone: 641-792-0717

Website: www.mercyone.org/desmoines/house-of-mercy/

Integrated Treatment Services

Outpatient evaluation & treatment including OWI evaluations, DUI classes, substance abuse treatment programs (including co-occurring substance abuse/mental health disorders) for children & adults, socialization, anger management, & employment training programs.

303 S. 2nd Avenue W.

Newton, IA 50208

Phone: 641-792-0045

Website: www.integratedtreatmentservices.org

Sheepgate (formerly Teen Challenge of the Midlands)

Offers a 12-month, residential discipleship program for men and women with life-controlling addictions includes mentoring classes, Graduate Equivalent Degree (GED) support, and work study opportunities. Admission is based on eligibility requirements. Assistance to local churches in establishing and operating ministries for individuals and families in need of support.

900 N. League Road

Colfax, IA 50054

Phone: 515-674-3713

Website: www.mysheepgate.org

UCS Healthcare

Substance use disorder therapy services, addiction treatment services & mental health therapy.

813 N. Lincoln Street, Suite 9

Knoxville, IA 50138

Phone: 515-280-3860

Website: <https://www.ucsonline.org>

Inpatient/Detox Treatment Facilities

Bethel Missions – Hope Ministries

1310 6th Ave, Des Moines, IA 50314

Phone: 515-244-5445

Website: <https://www.hopeiowa.org>

Community and Family Resources

3451 Easton Blvd, Des Moines, IA 50317

Phone: 515-262-0349

Website: <https://www.cfrhelps.org>

GuideLink Center

300 Southgate Ave, Iowa City, IA 52240

Phone: 319-688-8000

Website: <https://guidelinkcenter.org>

Powell Chemical Dependency Center

Unity Point Health – Lutheran Hospital

700 E University Ave, Des Moines, IA 50136

Phone: 515-263-5612

Website: <https://www.unitypoint.org/locations/unitypoint-health---des-moines-powell-chemical-dependency-center>

Prairie Ridge Integrated Behavioral Healthcare

320N Eisenhower Ave, Mason City, IA 50401

Phone: 641-424-2391

Website: <https://prairieridge.net>

Recovery Center

Manning Regional Healthcare Center

1150 6th Street, Manning, IA 51455

Phone: 712-655-2300

Website: <https://manningrecoverycenter.com>

Rosecrance- Jackson Center

800 5th St, Sioux City, IA 51101

Phone: 800-472-9018

Website: <https://rosecrancejackson.org>

St Gregory's Recovery Center

601 2nd St, Bayard, IA 50029

Phone: 888-810-9092

Website: <https://stgregoryctr.com>

If you have updates, please email jaspercocares@iasperia.org

PARENTS AS TEACHERS SERVICES

- Home Visitation program for children prenatal to preschool age
- Parent Education
- Developmental Screenings
- Resource Connections
- Parent-Child Activities
- Group Connections

This is a **FREE** program with funding provided by:



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Your child is born ready to learn. You are your child's first and most important teacher, and we are here to help support you along the way!

Contact Rachel
(515) 238-8170
Racheleshortyears.org

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KIDS DON'T COME WITH INSTRUCTIONS

The Parents As Teachers

Jasper Co. • Felicia Hazelton

felicia@shortyears.org

• Tracie Backstrom tracie@shortyears.org

Frequently asked questions: Our upcoming rebrand to Wellpoint

Why is Amerigroup changing its name to Wellpoint?

Our parent company, Elevance Health, is streamlining and simplifying the complexity of our health plan and service businesses to reduce the number of brands we have in the market, so our partners and customers clearly understand where we serve, who we serve, and what our brands do.

Wellpoint is a name that has been part of our heritage for more than 30 years, so it may be familiar for some — but more importantly, it is a name that perfectly fits with our vision for our brand to be a source of lasting wellness for our consumers at all points in their health journey.

Why am I seeing Elevance Health on correspondence now?

Documents you previously received with Anthem, Inc. may now reflect our new parent company name, Elevance Health; however, a very minimal number of communications should mention our parent company by name. In general, checks and other financial statements may include the Elevance Health name or logo. Most communications will occur under our new brand name beginning January 1, 2024.

Is the Medicaid Provider Services line changing?

Yes, the Medicaid Provider Services line number is changing to support the new Wellpoint brand and will be effective on January 1, 2024. Until then, providers can continue to call Medicaid Provider Services at **800-454-3730**. All other Provider Services line numbers remain the same.

On January 1, 2024, you will call Medicaid Provider Services at **833-731-2162**.

Is the Medicaid Member Services line changing?

Yes, the Medicaid Member Services line number is changing to support the new Wellpoint brand and will be effective on January 1, 2024. All other Member Services line numbers remain the same. Until then, members can continue to call Member Services at **800-600-4441**. As of January 1, 2024, calls to the current service number will automatically redirect to the new service phone number.

On January 1, 2024, members will call Member Services at **833-731-2160 (TTY 711)**.

Will this change impact our current agreements/contracts with Amerigroup?

No, there will be no changes to your current agreements or contracts.

Will there be any changes to the credentialing process because of this change?

No, our credentialing processes will remain the same.

<https://provider.amerigroup.com/TX>

Amerigroup members in the Medicaid Rural Service Area and the STAR Kids program are served by Amerigroup Insurance Company; all other Amerigroup members in Texas are served by Amerigroup Texas, Inc.

Coverage provided by Amerigroup Inc.

Amerigroup STAR+PLUS MMP (Medicare-Medicaid Plan) is a health plan that contracts with both Medicare and Texas Medicaid to provide benefits of both programs to enrollees.
TXAGP-CDCRMMP-038544-23-CPN38394

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Will this change affect how I access the provider website?

Yes, we will have a new website launching on January 1, 2024. The new Wellpoint public provider website is: <https://provider.wellpoint.com/texas-provider/home>.

Will the way I submit prior authorizations change?

No, the process for submitting prior authorizations will not change.

Can I still accept an Amerigroup member ID card from my patients?

Yes, members will receive a new member ID card with the Wellpoint logo on it; however, the Member ID number will not change. You can still use the same Member ID number to bill for services. Please remind your patients that if they have not received their new Wellpoint member ID card, they can call the new Member Services phone number (above) to request this card. They can also access their new card on their Sydney Health app from any smart device or on the member website.

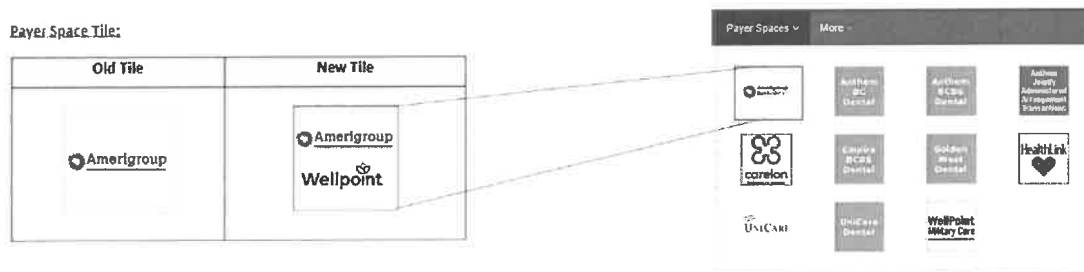
Does this change how I communicate with my provider relationship management representative?

No, our provider relationship management representatives will receive new email handles with @wellpoint.com instead of @amerigroup.com. Rest assured that if you send an email to us at @amerigroup.com, we will still receive it.

Will there be changes to how I access the Availity payer space?

No, there are no changes to how you will access our payer space. You will notice updated branding starting on December 9, 2023.

You will see a joint Amerigroup-Wellpoint payer space tile when you select the tile under *Payer Spaces*. This joint-branded tile will remain in place throughout 2024 to help facilitate a smooth transition.



When you select the payer tile, you will be redirected to the payer space which will be Wellpoint branded beginning on December 9, 2023:

- The Amerigroup payer space will be branded Wellpoint.

Aside from these branding changes, **how you use and interact with payer spaces will be exactly the same.**

Are EDI payer IDs changing?

Yes. The current Amerigroup payer ID (26375) will change to a new Wellpoint payer ID (WLPNT). While you may see the new payer ID as early as December, you can continue using

the current Amerigroup payer ID until January 1, 2024. Starting on January 1, 2024, WLPNT will be the new payer ID.

Does the new EDI payer ID impact EDI batch transactions? If so, which ones?

Starting on January 1, 2024, the following EDI batch and real-time transactions should be coded with the new WLPNT payer ID. You may see the new WLPNT payer ID in the Availity payer list as early as December, but you can continue using the current Amerigroup payer ID (26375) through the end of 2023:

- 835: Electronic Remittance Advice (ERA)
- 837: Claim Submission
- 276/277: Batch Claim Status
- 270/271: Batch Eligibility and Benefits
- 278/278I: Authorization and Referral
- 275: Attachment Submission

Does this impact 835 Electronic Remittance Advice?

Starting on January 1, 2024, the 835 ERA will begin to return with the WLPNT payer ID.

Will we be able to accept both the old Amerigroup payer ID (26375) and the new Wellpoint payer ID (WLPNT) after January 1, 2024?

After January 1, 2024, there will be a transition period where you may see both payer IDs in the system. During this overlap period, you will be able to accept the old Amerigroup payer ID, but you should be ready to start seeing the new Wellpoint payer ID and using that after January 1, 2024.

My group/practice does business in multiple states for Amerigroup. What if I receive remits for multiple markets with both Wellpoint and Amerigroup payer IDs?

You will need to be able to support both the Wellpoint (WLPNT) and Amerigroup (26375) payer IDs. Again, after January 1, 2024, there will be a transitional period where you may see both payer IDs.

I submitted a claim under the old Amerigroup payer ID (26375) in 2023, but it was adjusted after January 1, 2024. Which payer ID will I see?

Previously paid claims that are adjusted after January 1, 2024, will return with the new Wellpoint (WLPNT) payer ID.

How do I change the payer ID?

Changing the payer ID from Amerigroup (26375) to Wellpoint (WLPNT) depends on how you submit your claims.

If you use a third-party vendor such as a Clearinghouse, work with your vendor to ensure they are submitting your files to Availity with the new Wellpoint (WLPNT) EDI payer ID. The EDI file with the updated, new payer ID will usually come from the vendor.

If you have your own practice management software with a direct connection to Availity, you will need to work with your vendor or in-house EDI software representative to update the payer ID on your end.

Availity is working directly with trading partners, including clearinghouses and direct connections, to ensure a seamless transition.

If I use the Amerigroup payer ID (26375) after January 1, 2024, will my claim/EDI file be rejected?

No. If you or your vendor submit an electronic claim with the old Amerigroup payer ID (26375) after January 1, 2024, the EDI file will not reject. While the Amerigroup payer ID (26375) will still be valid for select plans after January 1, 2024, we ask that you begin using the WLPNT EDI payer ID to reflect the new Wellpoint plan name.

If I currently work with Amerigroup, will I be required to re-enroll in Wellpoint (WLPNT)?

No. You will not have to reenroll. You will be automatically enrolled in Wellpoint (WLPNT).

Are there any impacts to the Availity provider enrollment process?

You will notice a new payer ID and health plan/payer name starting on January 1, 2024. Other than that, the provider enrollment process will remain the exact same:

- When you search for health plan (payer), you will notice the new WLPNT payer ID along with a joint Wellpoint-Amerigroup name.
- If you search for Amerigroup after January 1, 2024, you will need to select the joint Wellpoint-Amerigroup payer name.

Transaction Enrollment Enroll

PROVIDER INFORMATION

Provider Name	Provider NPI	Provider TIN (EIN)	Orga
Authorized Contact Name	Authorized Phone Number	Authorized Email Address	

Health Plan (Payer) ⓘ What's this

WELLPOINT -AMERIGROUP (Payer ID: WLPNT) AMERIGROUP (Payer ID: 26375) x

A maximum of 10 health plans can be selected.

Below are answers to questions you may receive from patients:

Will my doctors and hospitals still be in the network/can I continue to see my same doctor?

There is no impact to the Amerigroup provider network because of the brand name change to Wellpoint.

Will my plan/benefits change?

Rest assured there will be no impact or changes to coverage, access to care providers, or level of support due to the brand name change to Wellpoint.

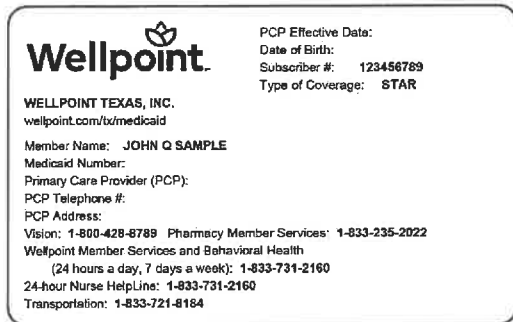
Will there be a break or gap in my coverage?

There is no impact to your healthcare coverage because of the brand change.

Will I receive a new member ID card?

Yes, members will receive a new ID card with the Wellpoint logo for an effective date of January 1, 2024.

Sample ID card:



Can I still use my Amerigroup member ID card?

Yes, you will receive a new member ID card with the Wellpoint logo on it, but your Member ID number will not change.

If you do not receive a new Wellpoint member ID card, you can call the new Member Services phone number (above) to request this card. You can also access your new card on the Sydney Health app from any smart device or from the member website.

Do I need to re-enroll as a Wellpoint member if I want to stay with my current plan?

You do not need to take any action unless you have received a notice from your State Medicaid office telling you to renew your coverage. Enrollees generally renew coverage every 12 months. If you are currently with Amerigroup, you should receive a new Wellpoint ID card. Call Member Services if you have not received your new ID card.

I just got a referral/preapproval to see a specialist. Can I still use it?

Yes, there are no changes to existing prior authorization and claims processes because of the brand name change to Wellpoint.

Is the Aspire Health name changing?

Yes, the Aspire name is changing to Caredon Health for Medicaid and Medicare, effective January 1, 2024.

Is the CareMore Health name changing?

Yes, the CareMore name is changing to Caredon Health for Medicaid and Medicare, effective January 1, 2024.



HEALTHY MENTAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE FIRST FIVE YEARS

Winter 2024

Celebrating Local Champions

Dr. Wendy Thiessen, MD: McFarland Clinic Marshalltown Pediatrics

Dr. Wendy Thiessen, MD is a pediatrician who has been with McFarland Clinic Pediatrics in Marshalltown since 2002, after completing her residency with Blank Children's Hospital in Des Moines in 2002. She attended the University of Iowa for her undergraduate degree, as well as their College of Medicine for her MD. Dr. Thiessen has been an active partner with 1st Five since the beginning, offering recommended developmental screening and surveillance with her patients, as well as being our 1st Five referring champion for Marshall County.

Along with completing her MD at the University of Iowa, Dr. Thiessen also has certifications with the American Board of Pediatrics, the Neonatal Resuscitation Program (NRP), and Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS). She is currently the Department Chair for McFarland Clinic Marshalltown Pediatrics, as well as a former member of the McFarland Clinic Board of Directors and has been involved with the Drug Endangered Children Committee (DEC). Professional societies she is a member of include the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Iowa Medical Society, and the Marshall County Medical Society.

Along with her exceptional care for her birth to 5-year-old patients, she also has medical interests in the areas of asthma and ADHD. She is also semi-fluent in Spanish which is crucial in working with many families in Marshall County.

**For more information about the 1st Five program, or to make a connection with Dr. Thiessen, please contact Jessica Miller, your 1st Five Site Coordinator, by email at jessica.miller@micaonline.org or by phone 515-236-1100.*

The 1st Five program through Iowa HHS is a public-private partnership bridging primary care and public health services in Iowa. The 1st Five model supports health providers in earlier detection of social-emotional and developmental delays and family risk-related factors in children birth to 5 years old, and coordinates referrals, interventions and follow-up.



1st Five Newsletter

Inside this issue:

- *Spotlight on Local Provider Champion (Marshall County)*
- *Community Partner Feature*
- *1st Five Partners*

*Mid-Iowa Community Action
1st Five Program
226 SE 16th St.
Ames, Iowa 50010
641-752-7162
1st Five Site Coordinator:
jessica.miller@micaonline.org*

MICA's 1st Five Program proudly serves clinics and families in Boone, Story, Marshall, Tama, Jasper, and Poweshiek Counties. For more information about 1st Five please visit : <https://mhs.iowa.gov/1stfive>

Community Partner Feature: Child Health Specialty Clinics (CHSC)

An Important Referral Resource for Developmental Delays

What is Child Health Specialty Clinics?

Child Health Specialty Clinics (CHSC) is a community-based public health agency that serves Iowa children and youth birth to age 21 who have or are at high risk for special health care needs. These can include chronic health conditions such as asthma or diabetes, as well as behavioral and/or developmental concerns such as attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) or autism, and more complex medical needs such as spina bifida.

Why is this resource important?

Children and youth with special health care needs often require a variety of services and supports. CHSC operates from several regional centers and satellite locations across the state, as well as providing pediatric specialty services through telehealth. This provides access to services to many rural Iowa communities that may otherwise not be available.

*To learn more information about CHSC, all the services they offer, and their many locations across Iowa, please visit their website at <https://chsciowa.org/>

What are some of their services?

CHSC offers gap-filling clinical services, care coordination, and family to family support across Iowa. Some of the services they offer include:

- Iowa Pediatric Mental Health Collaborative
- Nutrition services
- Iowa Regional Autism Program (RAP)
- Health and Disability Waiver
- Pediatric Integrated Health
- Community Circle of Health
- CHSC Early Access services

What is their mission?

The mission at CHSC is to improve the health, development, and well-being of children and youth with special health care needs in partnership with families, service providers, communities, and policy makers.

*1st Five routinely refers to CHSC for developmental delays such as speech, gross motor, and fine motor development, as well as behavioral, autism, nutrition, and sensory processing concerns.



Thank you to all of our 1st Five Partners!

The following clinics partner with 1st Five and are implementing surveillance and screening tools that help identify concerns or delays in young children's development. By partnering with 1st Five and implanting universal screening in well-child exams, it helps us to connect children and families to appropriate early interventions services, improving their overall health and development.

Boone County

Boone County Family Medicine South
Boone County Family Medicine North
Boone County Family Medicine Ogden
Madrid Family Practice

Story County

McFarland Pediatrics-Ames
McFarland Clinic East
McFarland Clinic North
McFarland Clinic West
McFarland Clinic South
McFarland Clinic Nevada
McFarland Clinic Story City
Primary Health Care-Ames
Story County Medical Clinic-Nevada
Story County Medical Clinic-Maxwell
UnityPoint Clinic Family Medicine-Huxley
NESCO Family Medical Clinic-Zearing

Jasper County

Newton Clinic
Sully Medical Clinic
Prairie City Medical Clinic

Marshall County

McFarland Pediatrics-Marshalltown
McFarland Family Medicine
Primary Health Care-Marshalltown
UnityPoint Clinic Family Medicine-Marshalltown
UnityPoint Clinic Family Medicine-State Center

Tama County

MercyCare Tama
UnityPoint Health Family Medicine
Tama/Toledo
MercyOne Dysart
MercyOne Traer
*Meskwaki Tribal Health Center

Poweshiek County

Grinnell Regional Medical Center
Family Medicine
Montezuma Medical Clinic
Brooklyn Medical Clinic

*recent clinic addition



PROGRAMS FOR: YOUNG MOMS

The Young Women's Resource Center provides a broad range of perinatal services for pregnant and parenting young women through the age of 24. At a time when young women can feel most alone or in need of help, the Young Women's Resource Center can provide comfort and stability through its programs, resources, and groups. These programs are designed to equip the young mom or expecting mom with the skills to address the challenges of parenting so they can focus on its joys.

The Young Women's Resource Center is not a medical provider, and we do not offer medical services. The YWRC is a private, independent organization and is not affiliated with any other organizations.

REGISTER

YOUNG WOMEN'S
RESOURCE CENTER

818 5th Avenue

Des Moines, IA 50309

(515) 244-4901

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Dear Friends and Supporters,

Event was held Feb 1, 2024

We express our heartfelt gratitude for your presence at the grand opening of the Open Arms Resource Center. Together, we embark on a journey to bring about positive change in the lives of children and families in Jasper County.

The Open Arms Foundation of Jasper County is a non-profit organization committed to providing immediate and meaningful support to vulnerable children and families in the area. Our vision is to create an environment where every child, regardless of their circumstances, feels safe, cared for, and empowered. Through our dedicated efforts, we aim to offer comfort and support during critical moments and turn the dreams of at-risk children into reality.

Our Core Programs:

- First Night Backpacks: Equipping children with essentials during transitions or difficult times.
- F3 Program: In Fortifying Foster Families (F3), we want to make sure that any foster family in Jasper County feels empowered to provide support for children in need.
- Family Interaction Space: To support the safe reunification efforts of families, we have a dedicated space for family interactions.
- Community Resource Room: Providing a dedicated space with essential items for children and families in need.

We firmly believe that every child deserves a safe and bright future. By fostering a sense of unity, we can create lasting positive change. Together, let us build a support system that uplifts children and families during difficult times.

Your presence at our grand opening is a testament to the strength of Jasper County. Together, we can make Open Arms a beacon of hope and support for those who need it most.

I extend an invitation to each of you to join us in building a lasting legacy.

Be Noble!



Nicholas Pietrack

Founder

Open Arms Foundation of Jasper County

openarmsiowa@gmail.com



**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Jasper County Elderly Nutrition has volunteer opportunities available to help deliver "Meals on Wheels" in Jasper County. Volunteers must provide their own transportation (Mileage reimbursed at 67 cents/mile).

The time commitment is approximately 11-12 noon. To find out how you can support seniors staying in their home, please call 641-792-7102.

Date	Day	Times	What	Who	Location	Notes
Began 1/30/2024	Tues, Weds, Thurs	by appointment	Free tax preparation	for those who qualify	DMACC	See flyer
Various Dates from 1/2024-12/2024	Various Days		Wolfe Ranch Events	Wolfe Ranch	Marshalltown	See flyer
All of February	Mondays	10:00am	Baby story time	open to the public	Newton Public Library	See flyer
All of February	Tuesdays	10:30am	Toddler story time	open to the public	Newton Public Library	See flyer
All of February	Thursdays	10:30am	Preschool story time	open to the public	Newton Public Library	See flyer
Open until 3/11/2024			Free Youth Soccer - Registration		YMCA	See flyer
2/21/2024 - 3/13/2024	Wednesday	5:00pm-6:00pm	Lil & Jr Pro tennis	Ages 4-12	YMCA	See flyer
2/22/2024 for 10 weeks	Tues, Thurs	12:15pm	Bingocize - Bingo & exercise	open to the public	Jasper Co. Comm. Center	See flyer
2/22/2024	Thursday	8:00am - noon	PTSD, trauma, suicide prevention awareness training	First responders, mental health workers	Brownells	See flyer
2/22/2024	Thursday	10:30am	Dental Story Time	open to the public	Newton Public Library	See flyer
Starts 3/4/2024	Mondays	After School	MSSP Self Defense	Berg Middle School 5-6 grades	YMCA	
3/11/2024 & 3/13/2024	Mon & Wed	10:00am	Free Movie - Super Mario Bros	open to the public	Capitol II Theatre	See flyer
3/11/2024 - 3/15/2024	All week	6:00am - 6:00pm	Spring Break Camp - \$150.00 for the week	Grades K - 6	YMCA	See flyer
3/21/2024	Thursday	6:00pm	Ladies night: Legos & Libations	open to the public/women	Nostalgia Wine Bar	See flyer
3/27/2024	Wednesday	11:00am-2:30pm	Questions for Legal Aid	age 60+	Jasper Co. Comm. Center	See flyer
4/27/2024	Saturday		Baseball Camp	pre-k - 7th grade		See flyer

YMCA - Healthy Kids Day - April
 - Senior Health Fair - May

Events

FREE TAX PROGRAM

The VITA or Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program is excited to announce the start of another free tax season for those who qualify!

LOCATION: DMACC BUILDING IN NEWTON

Those who qualify:

- Earn under \$64,000 a year
- Elderly or disabled
- Veterans
- NO rental income or farm tax loss or gain



Retired & Senior Volunteer Program
Volunteers Building Community

Quick look:

- By appointment only; call the tax-hotline: #641-787-7241
- We start *scheduling* appointments on January 9th (Tues/Wed)
- Tax prep appointments *begin* on January 30th (Tues, Wed, Th)

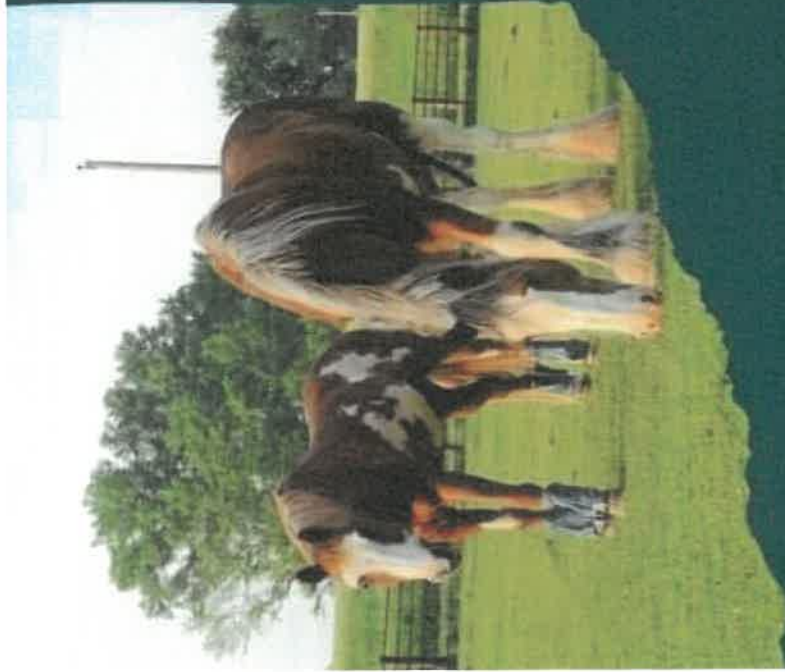
Our Volunteers have been doing taxes in Jasper County for over 20 years.

We look forward to serving you!



AmeriCorps
Seniors





Why Camp?

Camp experiences have a variety of benefits including...

- Teaching Horsemanship
- Nurturing Environment
- Inspires Participation
- Develop Relationships
- And So Much More!

Most importantly, camps create memories that will last a lifetime!

Wolfe Ranch Summer Camps 2024



WOLFE RANCH

Contact:

📍 2932 240th Street,
Marshalltown, Iowa 50158

📘 Wolfe Ranch of Quakerdale

🌐 <https://wolferanchquakerdale.org/>

✉ wolferanchquakerdale@gmail.com

☎ [641-752-6446](tel:641-752-6446)



WOLFE RANCH

2024 Wolfe Ranch



WOLFE RANCH

Event Dates

Date	Event Dates	Ages
Jan 27	Horse Workshop	8-16
Feb 24	Horse Workshop	8-16
Mar 23	Horse Workshop	8-16
June 8	Horse Show Practice	Any
June 24-28	Saddle Up and Ride	8-12
July 1-5	Saddle Up and Ride	8-12
July 25-26	Kick Up Your Heels	8-12
Aug 5-9	Saddle Up and Ride	8-12
Aug 17-18	Kick Up Your Heels	8-12
Sept 7	My Pretty Pony	5-10
Sept 21	Annual Garage Sale	Any
Oct 5	Cowboy Camp	5-10
Oct 19-20	Kick Up Your Heels	8-12
Dec 14	Christmas in the Stables	Any

Camps and Dates are subject to change. Check "Wolfe Ranch of Quakerdale" on Facebook for camp fliers.

Baby Storytime



Every Monday
in February at
10 a.m.

Baby Storytime is for newborns up to 18 months with a caregiver. Siblings are welcome. Meets in the Storytime room.



Music, stories,
rhymes & open
playtime at the end



GET TO
KNOW **Newton**
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Newton Public Library

100 N 3rd Ave W.
Newton, Iowa 50208 | 641-792-4108
www.newtongov.org/1149/Library



Toddler Storytime

Every Tuesday in February
at 10:30 am
in the Storytime room

Storytime for ages 18 months up to age 3
with a caregiver

Storytime includes books,
music and a simple craft

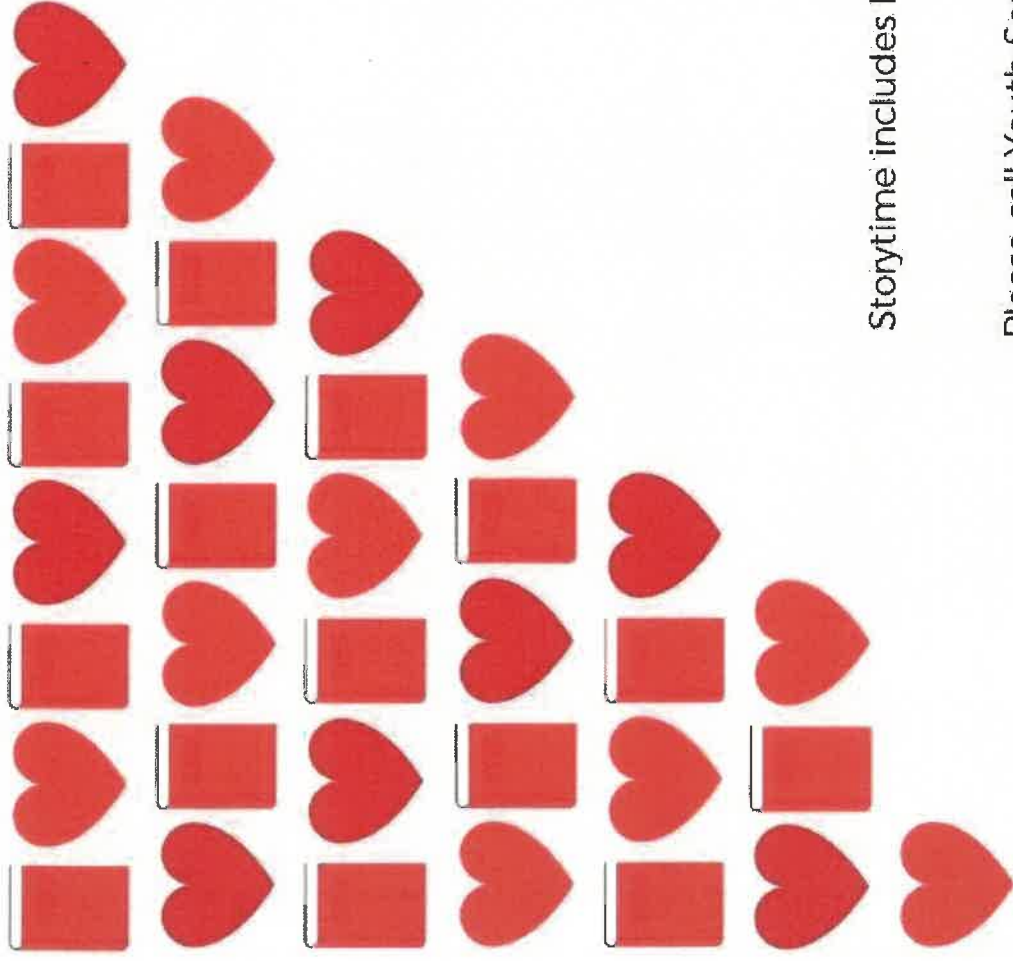
Siblings are welcome

No preregistration is necessary



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Preschool Storytime

Every Thursday
in February
at 10:30 am

Storytime for ages 3 to 5
Storytime includes books, music and a simple craft each week.
Siblings are welcome.
Questions?

Please call Youth Services Librarian Phyllis Peter at 641-792-4108



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FREE SPRING YOUTH SOCCER

FREE to ALL thanks to
Monsignor McCann Community Fund!



- ⚙ **Games Saturday Morning & Afternoon**
- ⚙ **Practices Begin April 1**
- ⚙ **First Game April 13**
- ⚙ **YMCA Fields**
- ⚙ **Ages 3-14**

**Register by:
March 11**

**Register at:
www.newtonymca.org**



LIL & JR PRO TENNIS

Wednesdays
Feb 21 - Mar 13
Coach: Lucas Hughes

Lil Pro: 5:00-5:30PM
Ages 4-7

Jr Pro: 5:45-6:30PM
Ages 8-12





LOOKING FOR A FUN, NEW WAY TO BE MORE ACTIVE?

Bingo + Exercise = BINGOCIZE

JOIN THE FUN
at Jasper County Community Center

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

FOR 10 WEEKS

STARTING: FEBRUARY 22, 2024, AT 12:15PM

2401 1st Ave E

Newton, IA



BINGOCIZE is a health promotion program that combines the game of bingo with fall prevention exercises. Come play bingo and meet new people while learning about techniques to reduce falls. Contact Sharee at 515-650-9507 with questions.

PTSD, TRAUMA, & SUICIDE PREVENTION AWARENESS

THIS FREE TRAINING SESSION IS AVAILABLE TO ALL FIRST RESPONDERS AND MENTAL HEALTH LIAISONS.

 **February 22nd, 2024**
8:00am — 12:00pm

 **BROWNELLS, INC.**
3006 Brownells Pkwy
Grinnell, Iowa 50112
Exit 182 - Iowa Interstate 80



Training Presenter:

TIMOTHY WHITCOMB

Sheriff for the Cattaraugus County Sheriff's Office in Western New York.

Sheriff Whitcomb is currently serving his 33rd year in law enforcement, in which he spent 7 years working major crimes in the Criminal Investigation Bureau. It was in this role that he was recognized as the Blue and Gold Officer of the Year in October 2000.

He has a Master's degree in Counseling Education for Saint Bonaventure University and is a certified police instructor in the areas of interview and interrogation, investigation of sex crimes, and law enforcement response to school violence. Sheriff Whitcomb is a graduate of the 206th Session of the FBI's National Academy and is currently active nationwide as a speaking specialist on post-traumatic stress disorder.

Sheriff Whitcomb has been an adjunct professor for both Saint Bonaventure University and Jamestown Community College. He has served as President of the New York State Sheriff's Association and as President of the State of New York Police Juvenile Officers Association.

PROVIDED TO YOU BY:



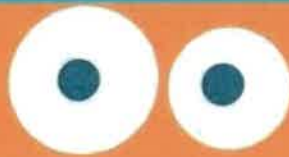
Grinnell Area
Mental Health
CONSORTIUM



SEND AN RSVP TO SHANNON WATTS VIA EMAIL AT SWATTS@GRINNELLPD.COM BY FEBRUARY 19TH, 2024.



Join us for a special Dental Health Storytime



Thursday, February 22
10:30 a.m.
in the
Storytime
Room

Dr. Van Hemert from
Van Hemert
Family Dentistry
will be our special guest
to teach children all
about dental health.



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NEWTON YMCA PRESENTS



MSSP Self Defense



Empower your child with self-defense skills in a fun, supportive environment.

FREE TO ATTEND

Berg Middle School | 5th & 6th Graders
Mondays After School | Starts March 4

MUST REGISTER FOR THE PROGRAM

Register at newtonymca.org

or call 641-792-4006



Free Movie Event! Super Mario Bros Movie

Monday, March 11 at
10 am
or
Wed. March 13 at 10
am
at Capitol II Theatre

Free Spring Break movie event sponsored by the Newton Public Library Foundation. Stop by the Library or Capitol II Theatre beginning February 15th to pick up your free tickets. \$4 Pop & Popcorn special will be available.

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NEWTON YMCA

SPRING BREAK CAMP

- Open to kids in grades K-6
- Mar 11 - 15 (M-F); Open 6 AM to 6 PM
- Located at TJ Elementary
- \$150 for the week
- LOTS of special activities, including:
 - Free movie at Capitol II
 - Swimming at YMCA
 - Crafts, sports, snacks, etc!

REGISTER TODAY!

Call (641) 792-4006



UNITED WAY OF JASPER COUNTY

LADIES NIGHT: LEGOS & LIBATIONS

THURSDAY, MARCH 21
6PM AT NOSTALGIA WINE BAR

Enjoy an evening of Lego building,
drinks, laughs & fun.

Tickets: \$35 Advance/\$40 Door
(Space is extremely limited)

Admission includes a Lego flower kit and
complimentary drink at Nostalgia Wine Bar.

Order tickets online at
www.unitedwayofjaspercounty.org



United Way
of Jasper County

UNITED WAY
WOMEN UNITED™



ARE YOU 60+ YEARS OLD?

DO YOU NEED LEGAL HELP/ADVICE?

- Eviction or Other Housing Issues
- Debt collection issues/Bankruptcy
- Medicare/Medicaid Denial
- Wills/POA/End-of-Life Planning
- Social Security Issues
- Veteran's Benefits Issues
- Other Civil Legal Issues



Iowa Legal Aid's Rural Justice Project

Iowa Legal Aid's Rural Justice Project for Older Iowans offers **FREE**:

- In-person (or phone) legal assessments
- Disaster preparedness counseling
- Holistic needs assessments and case management services

A representative from Iowa Legal Aid will be at:

Jasper Community Center
2401 1st Ave E
Newton, IA 50208

(11:00 am – 2:30 pm)

Wednesday 3/27/24

The Rural Justice Project for Older Iowans is supported by the Administration for Community Living (ACL), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as part of a financial assistance award totaling \$195,393 with 75 percent funded by ACL/HHS and 25 percent funded by non-federal sources. The contents of the project are those of Iowa Legal Aid and do not necessarily represent the official views of, nor an endorsement by ACL/HHS or the U.S. Government.

YOUTH BASEBALL LEAGUE

Newton, Iowa

LEAGUE

T-Ball (Pre-K thru K) - \$40

Rookie (1st thru 2nd) - \$40

Minors (3rd thru 4th) - \$50

Majors (5th thru 7th) - \$50



FREE BASEBALL CAMP FOR MAJORS AND MINORS

SATURDAY, APRIL 27
WITH THE NEWTON HIGH SCHOOL
BASEBALL TEAM

TO REGISTER

USE THE QR CODE OR GO TO
THE WEBSITE BELOW AND
CREATE AN ACCOUNT BY
APRIL 28TH.



[HTTPS://WWW.LEAGUELINEUP.COM/WELCOME.ASP?URL=NEWTONLITTLELEAGUE](https://www.leaguelineup.com/welcome.asp?url=newtonlittleleague)

**Jasper County Opioid Settlement
Application for Funding**

All funds must be used in Jasper County and for residents of Jasper County, Iowa for prevention, abatement, or treatment of opioids.

A. Name of Organization Requesting Grant:

B. Federal Tax Identification Number of Organization:
(The organization will be required to fill out W9 information)

C. Organization Address:

D. Organization Contact Person & Title:

E. Organization Contact Person's Phone & Email Address:

F. Website of organization:

G. How does your organization have ties to Jasper County?

Project Title:

Total Amount requested for project:
\$

Is this a one-time request or on-going funding need?
(Check one) ___ One time request ___ On-going need

Type of Request (check one): Capital Base or Program Based

___ Capital Based: The building of or physical improvement of something
___ Program Based: Operational, activity, general programmatic support

Project Focus Area (check one): ___ Prevention ___ Abatement ___ Treatment

Description of Organization (list the year organized, mission, program services provided in Jasper County):

Brief Summary of Project (additional details requested on page 2):

Target Population to be served with this funding: (Must be in Jasper County and for Jasper County residents)

Estimated # of People to be served in Jasper County:

Timeline for the project and the completion of this project:

I agree that the funds provided by Jasper County to this organization from the Jasper County Opioid Settlement Fund will be used for an approved Opioid Remediation Use and any misuse of such funds may result in legal action. (See Exhibit #1 for approved Opioid Remediation Uses)
Print Name of Organization's Director: _____

Signature of Director: _____ Date: _____

Describe Project: (Feel free to provide attachments).

Describe in detail how the funds will be used (for opioid prevention, abatement, or treatment)

How will this project impact Jasper County with opioid prevention, abatement, or treatment?

Jasper County Opioid Settlement Funds
Report- due _____ (quarterly and at the end of project)

All funds must be used in Jasper County and for residents of Jasper County for prevention, abatement, or treatment of opioids.
A. Name and Address of Organization:
B. Date of report:
C. Name, Title, and Email of Person Submitting Report:
D. Project Focus Area (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Prevention <input type="checkbox"/> Abatement <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment
E. Amount of funds received:
F. Amount of funds spent: (Please submit detailed receipts of expenditures)
G. Estimated # of people served by funds in Jasper County:
H. Tell us how the funds were used in Jasper County:
I: Tell us a positive impact story of the funds used in Jasper County:
J. Please describe any unexpected barriers to overcome with this project?
K. Have you completed the project?
L. Anything else you would like us to know?

Attachments

In order to be considered for funding, your application **MUST** include the following items:

1. A complete and signed Application for Funding
2. A copy of the Federal Tax Identification Number
3. A detailed budget of the project included estimates of expenses for staff time, capitol, or programs.
4. Please submit all required documentation to:

Jasper County Health Department
Attn: Opioid Settlement Committee/Funding
315 W 3rd St N, Suite 100
Newton, IA 50208

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Becky Pryor at bpryor@jasperia.org.

Note: All applicants will be required to interview with the Jasper County Opioid Fund Committee prior to disbursement of funds.

Procedure for Opioid Settlement Funds:

- 1.) Fill out and sign the application and return to address above. Additional sheets and attachments are acceptable.
- 2.) The Jasper County Opioid Fund Committee will meet and review your application.
- 3.) If you qualify and they want to consider your project, the Jasper County Opioid Fund Committee will request your presence at a meeting.
- 4.) A decision by the committee will be made within 2 weeks of the meeting date to determine eligibility, whether to fund or not to fund, or a request for additional information.
- 5.) If funding is issued, the organization will be required to complete a W9 with the Jasper County Auditor's office.
- 6.) Once the W9 and all required paperwork is complete, the Jasper County Auditor's office will process and issue payment in the form of a check in the agreed upon amount.
- 7.) A progress report will be due to back to this committee every 3 months from the receipt of funds until the project is complete.
- 8.) Funds must be spent within the designated timeline approved by the committee or a pay back to the County may be required. If additional time is needed for the project, the organization must submit a request in writing to the address above for approval.
- 9.) First deadline for fund consideration will be April 30, 2023.
If or when additional funding is still available, future deadlines will be determined.
- 10.) Exhibit 1 includes a list of all allowable projects.
- 11.) The application and Exhibit 1 links will be found on the website and a hard copy in the address listed above.
- 12.) Promotion of the funds will be on the Jasper County website, a press release to the media, social media account, and the Jasper County Cares Coalition meetings and Facebook account.
- 13.) Organizations will be allowed to apply for more than one project, more than one time, as long as funding is available.

Analysis of services offered in Jasper County

(S) STRENGTH

OPPORTUNITIES (O)

.....
Health &
Human
Services
.....

(W) WEAKNESS

THREATS (T)

Newton Village is hiring!



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JOIN OUR SENIOR CARE TEAM!

Now Hiring:
RNs & LPNs

\$5,000 Bonus!!

Day Shift!

More Information:
NewtonVillage.org/careers

Exciting opportunity to join our award-winning team as an RN or LPN! If you are passionate about making a difference and being part of excellence, apply today at newtonvillage.org/careers/

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NewtonVillageLA>



Resources for Iowans

FROM THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



Your Life Iowa and the **988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline** are free, confidential resources for behavioral and mental health support that can be accessed via phone, text, or chat 24/7.

Your Life Iowa Contact

Call: (855) 581-8111

Text: (855) 895-8398

Chat: <https://yourlifeiowa.org/>

988 Contact

Call: 988

Text: 988

FAMILY RESOURCES

These resources are available to assist families as they process the recent tragedy in Perry – including age appropriate conversation guides and how to support your child.

Restoring a Sense of Safety in the Aftermath of a Mass Shooting: Tips for Parents and Professionals

<http://bit.ly/48t4tIR>



Helping Teens with Traumatic Grief: Tips for Caregivers

<http://bit.ly/4aL0C5e>



COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Support, resources and services are available for the community.

Amanda The Panda offers grief support at no cost for communities around Iowa.

<http://bit.ly/41Omh8q>



Heart of Iowa mental health counseling and support for Dallas County.

<https://bit.ly/3ROTV9J>



Scanlan Center for School Mental Health works with Iowa school districts to provide post-crisis services through a statewide network.

<https://bit.ly/48odqNm>



Resources for Responders, Providers and the Public Following Mass Violence.

<https://bit.ly/4aMDJb1>

