

# 1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 91

February 4, 1999 – Introduced by Representatives PLOUFF, WIECKERT, ALBERS, BERCEAU, BLACK, BOCK, CULLEN, GOETSCH, GRONEMUS, GROTHMAN, JOHNSRUD, KRUG, LA FAVE, J. LEHMAN, MEYER, MILLER, OLSEN, URBAN and WASSERMAN, cosponsored by Senators MOEN, ROESSLER, CLAUSING, PLACHE and SCHULTZ. Referred to Committee on Health.

1 AN ACT *to amend* 146.89 (1) of the statutes; **relating to:** participation of  
2 dietitians in the volunteer health care provider program.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Currently, under the volunteer health care provider program, certain health care professionals may provide without charge diagnostic tests, health education, information about available health care resources, office visits, patient advocacy, prescriptions and referrals to health care specialists.

This bill permits certified dietitians to provide services under the volunteer health care provider program.

For further information see the ***state and local*** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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***The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:***

3 SECTION 1. 146.89 (1) of the statutes, as affected by 1997 Wisconsin Act 67, is  
4 amended to read:

5 146.89 (1) In this section, “volunteer health care provider” means an individual  
6 who is licensed as a physician under ch. 448, dentist under ch. 447, registered nurse,

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1 practical nurse or nurse–midwife under ch. 441, optometrist under ch. 449 or  
2 physician assistant under ch. 448 or certified as a dietitian under subch. V of ch. 448  
3 and who receives no income from the practice of that health care profession or who  
4 receives no income from the practice of that health care profession when providing  
5 services at the nonprofit agency specified under sub. (3).

6 **SECTION 2. Effective date.**

7 (1) DIETICIANS AS VOLUNTEER HEALTH PROVIDERS. This act takes effect on  
8 February 1, 1999, or on the day after publication, whichever is later.

9 (END)