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- Topic: Social Security Number Exemption
- Tracking Code: BB0278
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- Agency acronym: DOA
- Agency number: 505

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**Social Security Number Exemption
2007-09 Budget Bill Statutory Language Drafting Request**

Current Language

Current language in s. 49.82(2) requires Medicaid and BadgerCare applicants other than non-qualifying non-citizens to provide their social security number or to cooperate in obtaining one.

Proposed Change

Amend 49.82(2) to allow exempt individuals from the requirement to provide a social security number if they refuse to obtain a social security number on the basis of well established religious objections, as defined in federal Medicaid regulations in 42 CFR 435.910(4)(2).

As the SSN requirements in s. 49.82(2) applies to all public assistance programs under Chapter 49, the exemption must be crafted so as only to apply to Medicaid, SeniorCare and BadgerCare.

Effect of the Change

Creates an exemption from the social security number requirements for individuals who refuse to obtain a social security number because of well established religious objections.

Rationale for the Change

Eliminates barriers to coverage for individuals who, because of their religious beliefs, do not have a social security number but would otherwise be eligible for Medicaid, BadgerCare or SeniorCare.

Desired Effective Date:	Upon passage.
Agency:	DOA
Agency Contact:	Michelle Pink 267-7980



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Under current law, every applicant for any public assistance program is required to provide proof of his or her social security number or that he or she has applied for one. There are two exceptions: 1) a child who is under one year of age and who is eligible for the Medical Assistance program (Medical Assistance) because he or she was born to a pregnant woman eligible for Medical Assistance, and 2) an unborn child receiving prenatal care under the Badger Care health care program (BadgerCare). This bill adds another exception: a person who is applying for Medical Assistance, BadgerCare, or the program for prescription drug assistance for elderly persons (known as SeniorCare) and who refuses to obtain a social security number because of well-established religious objections, as defined under federal regulations. *

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

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49.82 (2) (a) Proof shall be provided for Except as provided in par. (b), for each person included in an application for public assistance under this chapter, ~~except for a child who is eligible for medical assistance under s. 49.46 or 49.47 because of 42 USC 1396a (e) (4) or an unborn child who is eligible for coverage under the Badger Care health care program under s. 49.665 (4) (ap),~~ proof shall be provided of his or her social security number or that an application for a social security number has been made.

History: 1995 a. 27 ss. 3088, 3125, 3209, 9126 (19), 9130 (4); 1997 a. 3; 2001 a. 107; 2005 a. 25.

SECTION 2. 49.82 (2) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

49.82 (2) (b) Paragraph (a) does not apply to any of the following:

- 1. A child who is eligible for medical assistance under s. 49.46 or 49.47 because of 42 USC 1396a (e) (4).
- 2. An unborn child who is eligible for coverage under the Badger Care health care program under s. 49.665 (4) (ap).
- 3. A person who is applying for medical assistance under subch. IV, coverage under the Badger Care health care program under s. 49.665, or coverage under the program for prescription drug assistance for elderly persons under s. 49.688 and who refuses to obtain a social security number because of well-established religious objections, as defined in 42 CFR 435.910 (h) (2).

SECTION 9321. Initial applicability; Health and Family Services.

(1) SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER EXEMPTION. The renumbering and amendment of section 49.82 (2) of the statutes and the creation of section 49.82 (2) (b) of the statutes first apply to applications received on the effective date of this subsection.

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