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## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

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<b>2017 Wisconsin Act 259</b> [2017 Assembly Bill 781]	<b>Dental Services for Child in Out-of-Home Care</b>
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Wisconsin law authorizes placement of a child in out-of-home care in certain cases, conferring to a legal custodian the right and duty to protect, train, and discipline the child, and to provide food, shelter, legal services, education, and ordinary medical and dental care, subject to limits specified in the statutes. 2017 Wisconsin Act 259 defines “dental care” for the purpose of providing ordinary medical and dental care for a child under such circumstances. The Act defines the term to include diagnostic and preventative services, and treatment including restoring teeth, tooth extractions, and use of nitrous oxide.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature’s Web site at: <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov>.