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AN ACT to amend 49.40 (1) of the statutes, relating to extending medical care under public assistance to podiatrists' services.

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

49.40 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

49.40 (1) The county agency administering aid to the blind, aid to dependent children, old-age assistance and aid to totally and permanently disabled persons may provide for medical care needed by recipients of such aids. A person shall be considered a recipient if at the time such care is authorized aid to the blind, aid to dependent children, old-age assistance or aid to totally and permanently disabled persons is being granted to him. The provisions of s. 49.11 shall not apply to this section. Medical care shall, as necessary, be authorized by such county agency and allowed within money payments to the recipient under ss. 49.18 (1) (a), 49.19 (5), 49.22 and 49.61 (6) (a) or paid by the county agency in addition to or in lieu of such money payments; provided that the method of payment for any medical service either by money payment or vendor payment shall be determined by the department for the purpose of obtaining maximum federal participation. Medical care provided under this section includes hospitalization, home care when prescribed by a physician and nursing home care; physicians', dentists', podiatrists', and nurses' services; drugs, medical supplies and equipment; prosthetic appliances and other medical service as each is prescribed by a physician; optometrical services; transportation to obtain medical care; and prepayment of medical care.

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