



### **Working for Our Elderly & Their Children**

- CWAG, a strong advocate on behalf of older adults and people with disabilities, provides ongoing legislative and legal advocacy on issues that are of concern to over one million elderly in Wisconsin.
- Through advocacy, CWAG develops and supports public policies that reflect our members' views and interests as directed by our legislative platform. CWAG's legislative successes are directly attributable to the activism of our membership and bipartisan coalition building.

### **CWAG's Advocacy Successes**

- The implementation of a state prescription drug assistance plan for seniors—SeniorCare.
- The passage of a comprehensive reform plan for the state's long term care system—Family Care.
- Increased the state's funding for the Elderly and Disabled Transportation budget, which provides specialized transportation services.
- Increased state funding for guardianship services and protecting people from financial abuse.
- Improvements in Spousal Impoverishment legislation that protects the income and assets of the spouse of a nursing home resident and other consumer protection programs.
- Increased state funding for the Wisconsin Elderly Nutrition Program.
- Created and initiated Wisconsin's Blue Ribbon Citizens Task Force on Patient Centered Care.
- The Passage of the Silver Amber Alert

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## **Coalition of Wisconsin Aging and Health Groups**

**Protecting Our  
 Elderly &  
 Advocating for  
 All Generations**



# Coalition of Wisconsin Aging & Health Groups



## **What We Do:**

- ◆ Ensure people get the medications they need, when they need them
- ◆ Promote vaccines through education and awareness
- ◆ Help people achieve healthy aging and healthy brains
- ◆ Provide services and support to families coping with dementia
- ◆ Work to eliminate preventable diseases
- ◆ Provide direct crime victim services to seniors
- ◆ Protect seniors from financial fraud and abuse
- ◆ Assist seniors with financial planning
- ◆ Advocate for home and community-based care for seniors
- ◆ Support Wisconsin Health and Aging Initiatives

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## **Your membership allows us to educate and advocate for health & aging issues that impact all of us.**

This session we are advancing Step Therapy/Prior Authorization bills that creates an exception process to a step therapy protocol and sets a time frame for an insurer to make a decision on a step therapy exemption request. These have passed out of committee and are available for Senate and Assembly floor votes at the time of this writing.

Other initiatives we are supporting include a bill to change the definition of smoking to include vaping devices, legislation to create a palliative care council, a bill to remove the “gag clause” imposed on pharmacists that prevents them from telling customers when they could purchase medications more cheaply out of pocket than by using insurance, a bill that would make assaulting a nurse performing her duties a felony, a Certified Nursing Assistant Pay Act, a Caregiver Tax Credit and many more!

Coalition members are alerted when advocacy efforts are needed, and your voice really does make a difference. We are listening to our members as well. If there are specific health or aging issues you want us to take on, we want to hear from you! The issues we take on are issues that bubble up from our members and we address Wisconsin problems with Wisconsin solutions.

Please consider joining us and help make Wisconsin a healthier place to age!

Robert M. Gundermann  
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## **Become a CWAG Member Today:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Enclosed is my check for: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- I want more information about my Organization becoming a member of CWAG

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