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In this ever-changing economy it is becoming more and more difficult for parents/guardians to afford one-income living. It is even more challenging to find affordable and quality child care services that will provide parents an opportunity to succeed financially. *Wisconsin Shares* is a child subsidy program that assists parents/guardians financially with quality child care.

Interested? To be eligible for the *Wisconsin Shares* program parent/guardian(s) must participate in one of the following activities: unsubsidized work (you do not receive any child care benefits through your employer), current attend high school (if under age 20), W-2 employment program, employment skills training and continue being in unsubsidized employment, Food Stamp employment and training work search or work experience programs, are a W-2 applicant participating in up-front job search, training, or orientation activities. Participants must also have a family income level less than 185% of the federal poverty level (FPL). To apply or to see about eligibility contact Pierce County Economic Support at 715-273-6788 or visit <http://dcf.wisconsin.gov/childcare/WISHARES/default.htm>, and check out *Western Dairyland Child Care Partnership* for more information on area child care providers.

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