Youth leaving foster and kinship care have so many decisions to make. Do they want to share an apartment? Continue education? Get a job? Who has time to worry about health care?

Unfortunately, COVID-19 is a serious reminder for just how important it is to make decisions about health care. A Power of Attorney (POA) for Health Care empowers youth to determine who they want to make decisions about their health care in the event they become seriously ill. If a person is not appointed, biological or adoptive parents will make those decisions for them. However, that may not be who they want making those decisions.

Kids Matter Inc., in collaboration with DCF, will provide a training on the importance of young adults executing a Power of Attorney for Health Care as part of their emancipation plan. Come learn the basics of this important tool and tips for how you can empower young adults to execute one.

**Power of Attorney for Health Care Training**

*What:* Kids Matter Inc. Program Manager Jennifer Hastings and Staff Attorney Beth Lauck, in collaboration with DCF, will provide a training on Power of Attorney for Health Care.

*Who:* All foster parents, county and tribal workers, and contracted partners working with youth transitioning out of foster or kinship care.

*When:* Tuesday, February 2, 2021 from 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

*How:* The training is over Zoom. After registering, you will be emailed a Zoom link.


**RSVP by January 28 through Jotform (click here to register).**

If you have questions about this training, please contact DCFILCoordinator@wisconsin.gov.