FORM SUMMARY

Name of Form:	**Petition for Protection or Care of an Unborn Child (Chapter 48)**
Form Number:	**JC-1612**
Statutory Reference:	§§48.133 and 48.255(1m), Wisconsin Statutes
Benchbook Reference:	JV 2
Purpose of Form:	To petition for protection or care of an unborn child.
Who Completes It:	District attorney, corporation counsel, counsel/GAL of expectant mother or GAL of unborn child.
Distribution of Form:	Court, Unborn Child's Guardian ad Litem, Adult Expectant Mother, Expectant Mother's Attorney, Physical Custodian of Expectant Mother, Child Expectant Mother – if 12 years or older, Parents/Guardian/Legal Custodian of a Child Expectant Mother, District Attorney/Corporation Counsel, Caseworker, Tribe and Indian Custodian.
Accompanying Forms:	Generally none.
New Form/Modification:	Modified, last update 11/19.
Modifications:	Updated distribution list and added interpreter question.
Comments:	1997 Act 292 (Effective July 1, 1998) created §48.133, Wis. Statutes. This section gives the court jurisdiction over both an expectant mother and an unborn child if the unborn child is alleged to be in need of protection or services under that statute.

Jurisdiction exists if it is alleged:
- the expectant mother habitually lacks self-control in the use of alcohol beverages, controlled substances or controlled substance analogs, and,
- the lack of self-control is exhibited to a severe degree, and,
- there is a substantial risk that the physical health of the child, both before and after birth, will be seriously affected or endangered unless the expectant mother receives prompt and adequate treatment for her lack of self-control.

The expectant mother can be either an adult or a juvenile for this section to apply.

About this Form:	This form is the product of the Wisconsin Records Management Committee, a committee of the Director of State Court's Office and a mandate of the Wisconsin Judicial Conference.
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