



**Program #40055 - Home and Community Based Consulting** FY 2024 Department Requested

**Department:** Health Department **Program Contact:** Elizabeth Carroll  
**Program Offer Type:** Existing **Program Offer Stage:** Department Requested  
**Related Programs:** 40054, 40056, 40057, 40097  
**Program Characteristics:** In Target

**Executive Summary**

Parent Child Family Health (PCFH) Community Health Nurses (CHNs) and Community Health Workers (CHWs) routinely provide consultation and support at the individual, organizational and system levels and in a variety of settings. This Program Offer describes PCFH consultation and services in the Healthy Homes Asthma Home Visiting program, and 3 Community-based Head Starts, along with David Douglas School District (DDSD) Multnomah Early Childhood Program (MECP) providing families from African American and Latino families with early childhood CHW supports. The families are parenting children with health and developmental conditions. Services include health assessments in the home or classroom; care coordination; technical assistance for providers who serve children with special healthcare needs; advocacy for children and families in the health care, social service, and education systems; building a family's capacity to

**Program Description**

Research shows the conditions of early life have a profound impact on long-term health and life stability. Home- and community-based services support families with children who have a chronic health condition and/or are identified as high-risk in community settings.

The Healthy Homes (HH) Asthma Home Visiting program addresses health inequities related to the prevalence of unhealthy housing options in the County. HH identifies and supports remediation of environmental asthma triggers or refers families to resources for relocation. HH goals are to improve adherence to the child's asthma action plan and the livability of the home environment while reducing asthma triggers for children and families. Staff provide home-based environmental and nursing assessment/interventions for high-risk children with asthma; consult with medical providers/ pharmacists; partner with landlords and tenants to improve housing conditions; coordinate asthma care with school/day-care; provide supplies to reduce or eliminate asthma triggers; and advocate for safe, healthy, stable, and affordable housing.

Early childhood Nurse Consulting in Head Starts has been provided by PCFH Nurses since 2012, as part of a multi-agency agreement made with the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Maternal Infant Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) grant. This agreement sunsetted in 2016. Nurse Consultation or or subsidies for Nurse services have continued to be provided via community contracts, to support families enrolled in the Mt. Hood Head Start program, Oregon Child Development Coalition (OCDC), and Multnomah Early Childhood Program (MECP).

In 2015 PCFH was asked to support David Douglas School District with their Multnomah Early Childhood Program, Early Intervention services. PCFH hired providers with culturally specific early childhood KSA's for CHW services, and currently provides 1 FTE Nurse and 3 FTE CHWs serving African American, Latino and Vietnamese families. These staff improve engagement of individual families and cultural communities with Early Intervention services at DDSD MECP. DDSD pays for the full cost of the staffing of this racial equity driven program enhancement.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY22 Actual	FY23 Budgeted	FY23 Estimate	FY24 Offer
Output	# of families receiving an environmental home inspection	14	30	12	0
Outcome	% completion of final Asthma Home assessments	80%	80%	100%	0
Output	# of technical assistance consults to service providers who work with children with special health care needs	300	300	300	0

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

Output #1 Referrals and completed assessments have remained low in FY23. This program has been eliminated in order to meet PCFH County General Fund constraints.  
 Outcome #2 Again the low utilization of this service and plan to eliminate  
 Output #3 Consultations are not entered into PCFH data systems. This is an estimate as Head Starts also do not share actual reported consultations. Elimination of this service is planned for FY24.

