



**Program #40033 - FQHC-Primary Care and Dental Access and Referral** FY 2024 Adopted

**Department:** Health Department **Program Contact:** Tony Gaines  
**Program Offer Type:** Existing **Program Offer Stage:** Adopted  
**Related Programs:**  
**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

The Multnomah County Health Center is the largest Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) in Oregon, providing high-quality, patient-centered health care and related services to communities across Multnomah County. The Patient Access Center (PAC) is the gateway for existing patients and all new community members seeking to establish care with Multnomah County Health Department’s (MCHD) Primary Care and Dental programs. PAC also provides written translation, oral and sign language interpretation throughout the department’s programs and services, as well as triage and recall appointments.

**Program Description**

The Health Center welcomes all county persons, regardless of insurance status, ability to pay, or documentation status. Our health center prioritizes culturally and linguistically appropriate care, supporting patients in a way that works for them. Over sixty percent of our patients identify as people of color, and more than 40% are best served in a language other than English, including more than 100 different languages. Nearly 15% of our patients have no insurance, and 95% of our clients live below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guideline. All programs within ICS are committed to improving health outcomes, reducing health disparities and ensuring affordable, quality access to healthcare.

The Patient Access Center (PAC) is the point of entry for scheduling new and established clients for the Primary Care clinics. PAC also schedules new and established dental clients seeking both urgent and routine dental services. PAC provides appointments and referrals in collaboration with County and other community organizations, ensuring consistent patient information and tracking. PAC also provides information for MCHD medical, dental, social services and key community service partners.

PAC’s Language Services program provides interpretation in over 80 languages including sign language for all MCHD services and programs, and for established patients who access specialty care in the community. Comprehensive coordination of written translation for clinical and non-clinical programs and services is also provided. Language Services is the central coordinator for thousands of patient/client interpretation requests and translations each year for multiple programs/services. This critical service ensures that patients and clients successfully move through the Department’s Refugee and Screening Program, and facilitates those clients with limited English proficiency to receive culturally competent interpretation throughout all of the MCHD programs.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY22 Actual	FY23 Budgeted	FY23 Estimate	FY24 Offer
Output	Number of calls answered	310,000	320,000	320,000	320,000
Outcome	Average telephone abandonment rate (goal: at or below 15%)	37%	15%	20%	15%

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

**Output:** Number of calls answered by PAC during the fiscal year. This number is an indicator of performance and demand for services.  
**Outcome:** Average percent of calls that are disconnected before a PAC representative can answer. This is an indicator of performance and patient experience.

## Legal / Contractual Obligation

PAC is in the scope of the Primary Care 330 Grant must follow the HRSA Community Health Center Program operational and fiscal compliance requirements.

All costs and revenues generated by this program must also comply with the HRSA FQHC requirements.

## Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
<b>Program Expenses</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>
Personnel	\$0	\$2,728,817	\$0	\$3,540,156
Contractual Services	\$0	\$45,660	\$0	\$110,000
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$12,401	\$0	\$24,922
Internal Services	\$0	\$888,235	\$0	\$1,025,584
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,675,113</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,700,662</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$3,675,113</b>		<b>\$4,700,662</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	0.00	27.00	0.00	30.25

<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$758,626	\$0	\$906,600
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$640,000	\$0	\$640,000
Beginning Working Capital	\$0	\$605,000	\$0	\$111,362
Service Charges	\$0	\$1,671,487	\$0	\$3,042,700
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,675,113</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,700,662</b>

## Explanation of Revenues

This program generates \$494,560 in indirect revenues.

The Patient Access Center (PAC) is funded with Medicaid revenue, HRSA/Bureau of Primary Care grant revenue and medical fees. ARPA funds were approved in order to support the addition of Limited Duration (LD) PAC positions.

\$ 3,042,700 - Medical Fees FQHC Medicaid Wraparound

\$ 751,362 - Medicaid Quality and Incentive & Beginning Working Capital(BWC)

Federal: \$ 906,600 - Federal Primary Care (330) grant

## Significant Program Changes

**Last Year this program was:** FY 2023: 40033 FQHC-Primary Care and Dental Access and Referral

PAC added 3.5 Community Health Nurse triage nurse positions and eliminated 1.0 fte Office Assistant 2 position. A Manager 2 position was transferred from PC Planning and infrastructure program offer to PAC.