

Department: County Human Services

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Program Offer Type: Operating

Program Offer Stage: Adopted

Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Transition and Diversion program helps people access home and community living options. Benefit recipients would otherwise live in a nursing facility if not provided with alternatives. Living in the setting of choice improves the quality of life of benefit recipients. The program provides equitable and culturally appropriate access. The program offers consumers choices that reflect cultural, and individual needs. Available staff speak multiple languages, are culturally knowledgeable, and train in diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Program Description

ISSUE: Oregon is a national leader in offering alternatives to nursing facilities. The Aging, Disability, and Veterans Services Division helps older adults, people with disabilities, and Veterans live in a community setting. These places are less costly and less restrictive than nursing facilities. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services sees living in a community setting as a best practice. It provides a better experience for those needing Medicaid long-term services and supports.

PROGRAM GOAL: The Transition and Diversion Program (T&D) serves older adults, people with disabilities, and Veterans. T&D uses equity principles to help people live in the setting of their choice. To the fullest extent, services are provided by culturally knowledgeable providers. The goal is to avoid placement in an institutional setting. This results in minimizing the use of more costly nursing facility care and reducing unnecessary hospitalizations and readmissions. The costs that are saved by serving people in the community are reinvested in the programs, allowing more people to be served in the setting of their choice.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: The Transition and Diversion Program serves all nursing facility eligible individuals in Multnomah County. Transition and Diversion staff assess and assist individuals who live in nursing facilities to relocate to community settings if they desire to leave the nursing facility. This is done by connecting them with equity centered services and assistance to help them live safely in the community. Transition and Diversion works with individuals discharging from the hospital, who do not want to live permanently in a nursing facility, to return home or find a community living option such as an adult care home, assisted living facility, or residential living facility. They arrange for supports to ensure the safety of the individual returning to community living. The Transition and Diversion Program supports independent living and the DCHS priority to reduce housing insecurity. The Transition team works closely with the Houseless Mobile Intake Team (HMIT) funded by the Joint Office of Homeless Services. Transition coordinators leverage the culturally specific resources developed and fostered by the 3 culturally specific positions on the HMIT.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budgeted	FY24 Estimate	FY25 Target
Output	Annual number of transitions from a nursing facility ¹	409	400	400	400
Outcome	Percent of transitions where participants returned home	45%	40%	45%	45%
Outcome	Percent of transitions where participants returned to a community-based facility	55%	60%	55%	55%

Performance Measures Descriptions

¹This measure and all following measures include both transitions and diversions.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

ADVSD has a contract with the Oregon Department of Human Services to administer the Medicaid and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) programs in Multnomah County. Oregon Revised Statute 410 allows for the administration of services to older adults and people with disabilities through local governmental entities. The programs are guided by Federal regulations or rules including those in the Social Security Act, Medicaid Administration, and SNAP.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2024	2024	2025	2025
Personnel	\$0	\$3,847,186	\$0	\$4,520,179
Contractual Services	\$336,352	\$5,000	\$594,886	\$2,500
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$89,610	\$0	\$44,806
Internal Services	\$0	\$1,342,115	\$0	\$1,330,951
Total GF/non-GF	\$336,352	\$5,283,911	\$594,886	\$5,898,436
Program Total:	\$5,620,263		\$6,493,322	
Program FTE	0.00	35.00	0.00	34.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$5,686,250	\$0	\$5,720,489
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$165,902	\$0	\$177,947
Total Revenue	\$0	\$5,852,152	\$0	\$5,898,436

Explanation of Revenues

This program generates \$650,996 in indirect revenues.

\$5,720,489 - Title XIX (Fed thru State)

\$177,947 - Case Management Assessments for Medicaid Patients (Local)

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2024: 25029 ADVSD Transition & Diversion

Decrease of 1.00 FTE. Moved 1.00 FTE Case Manager 2 to program offer 25023 (Federal/ State Fund)