

Division: HD Director's Office

Program Characteristics:

Program Description

The Health Department (HD) Director holds a statutory role of Local Public Health Authority and supports the Behavioral Health Division (BHD) as the Community Mental Health Program (CMHP) to ensure the HD performs its governmental role and advances equity. As CMHP, the BHD supports the Board as the Local Mental Health Authority. A key responsibility is developing a Comprehensive Local Plan (CLP) to determine local service needs and provide services.

The HD committed to expanding from a traditional compliance-based document to the CLP+ that provides a roadmap for a population-level, systems-based approach to behavioral health system. This approach builds structures for a collective impact model to improve data, accessibility, and workforce capacity, ensuring the right services reach the right people. In partnership with the Board, the HD updated the Calculating Adequate Systems Tool (CAST) survey of substance use providers and synthesized a decade of evaluations, including the Blueprint for Better Behavioral Health. In FY 2026, Oregon Health Authority updated the CLP plan template and the plan was adopted by the Board in 2026.

BHD is convening partners around making data accessible, increasing the workforce, and transforming a siloed system into one that collaborates to meet consumer needs in real time. This program offer supports capacity for epidemiological analysis and evaluation to identify needs and track equity-focused outcomes. It also funds the facilitation, project management, and data infrastructure necessary to achieve these goals. In FY27, BHD will work with partners to focus on the high acuity behavioral health population at the intersection of homelessness, mental health, and substance use.

Equity Statement

The HD Director's Office provides strategic direction to lead the department's efforts to end health inequities across Multnomah County's many culturally specific communities. The goal is to mitigate the impacts of current and historic racism and white supremacy and to end health inequities. This offer focuses outcomes on equity and utilized epidemiology capacity to analyze what communities are most impacted by behavioral health inequities to improve community health.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	2026 General Fund	2026 Other Funds	2027 General Fund	2027 Other Funds
Personnel	\$661,682	\$0	\$630,580	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$661,682	\$0	\$630,580	\$0
Total Expenses:	\$661,682		\$630,580	
Program FTE	3.20	0.00	2.70	0.00
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Performance Measures

Performance Measure	FY25 Actual	FY26 Estimate	FY27 Target
# of population-based measures for behavioral health that are tracked	NA	15	15
# of behavioral health planning/implementation sessions	5	5	5