

Program #40050A - Corrections Health Multnomah County Detention Center (MCDC)

FY 2024 Adopted

Department: Health Department Program Contact: Myque Obiero

Program Offer Type: Existing Program Offer Stage: Adopted

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Corrections Health, Multnomah County Detention Center houses 448 adults and is composed of booking, 4th floor special housing, mental health housing and three floors of discipline and evaluation housing. Approximately 100 US Marshall (USM) detainees are housed in the system daily. Over 36,000 individuals are cared for each year with over 50% having serious unstable and chronic health conditions, such as diabetes, kidney failure, infections, alcohol and drug withdrawal, and major mental/behavioral illnesses.

Program Description

The core responsibility of Corrections Health is to provide a constitutional and community level of health care (medical, mental health and dental) to the individuals entrusted to our care. That care is delivered to a BIPOC population disproportionately involved in the justice system. As health risk and diseases rarely impact all communities equally, the work of Corrections Health addresses the groups disparately impacted. Recruitment and hiring practices have been refined to promote a workforce that more closely resembles the demographics of the population we serve. Further efforts will be made in FY24 to evaluate policies, procedures and practices to ensure that an equity approach is used whenever possible while maintaining appropriate access to essential care.

This offer represents Corrections Health MCDC basic administration, support, booking and mental health care delivery programs. MCDC averages 40+ newly booked individuals each day. Nurses (24 hours/7 days a week) evaluate each detainee to identify critical health issues and make plans for scheduled care for stabilization. Screening includes obtaining health history for both acute and chronic disease, including mental health care, substance abuse, communicable disease evaluation and current prescriptions. As a result of those evaluations, treatments, medications, provider appointments, mental health referrals and housing decisions are made. In addition, Corrections Health nursing staff assess individuals brought to the jail before being accepted into custody--that assessment ensures that serious medical and/or mental health issues are appropriately addressed in a hospital setting before booking. Suicide and self harm symptom identification is an essential mental health function. The mental health team is composed of psychiatric mental health nurse practitioners (PMHNPs), mental health consultants and mental health nurses for evaluation, monitoring and treatment for the many mentally ill clients booked into jail.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY22 Actual	FY23 Budgeted	FY23 Estimate	FY24 Offer			
Output	Average # of Reception Screening ("EPF"Entry Progress Form) completed in one month	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000			
Outcome	% of positive screenings resulting in a referral to the mental health team per vear	35%	35%	35%	35%			

Performance Measures Descriptions

Measure 1: Captures monthly intake screenings for incoming detainees--the measure does not correlate with the static jail population and more accurately reflects incoming patient volume.

Measure 2: Captures initial interview information and how many clients are referred for mental health care

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Necessary health care for incarcerated individuals is a right because they do not have the freedom to obtain care on their own. Appropriate access to care and timely evaluation by a health professional is mandated by the 4th, 8th and 14th amendments. When serious health needs are not adequately addressed by professionals, that deliberate indifference to medical needs may bring harm to individuals entrusted to our care and increase liability for the County. Corrections Health is bound by ethical standards to provide unbiased care to all individuals based on community standards of care.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2023	2023	2024	2024
Personnel	\$3,657,714	\$0	\$3,617,013	\$0
Contractual Services	\$15,000	\$0	\$15,750	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$45,770	\$0	\$48,058	\$0
Internal Services	\$345,568	\$0	\$328,527	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$4,064,052	\$0	\$4,009,348	\$0
Program Total:	\$4,064,052		\$4,009,348	
Program FTE	17.70	0.00	21.35	0.00

Program Revenues							
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			

Explanation of Revenues

As a result of the current laws that govern the responsibilities of governmental agencies in the care of detained individuals, Corrections Health is unable to bill for services from Medicare, and Medicaid. These rules and laws are under review nationally to determine if additional revenue sources can be made available to jails. Corrections Health no longer receives revenue through a co-pay system. Adults in custody are not charged a fee for health care services.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2023: 40050A Corrections Health Multnomah County Detention Center (MCDC)

Add 4 new Community Health Nurse positions to reduce mandates, overtime, burnout and increase morale in staff, while increasing retention.