

# Program #40050B - Corrections Health MCDC Clinical Services and 4th Floor

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Housing

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program Program Offer Stage: As 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 classification housing. Approximately 100 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 Summary**

Providing health care to detained individuals is the responsibility of Corrections Health. From first entering the jail through booking until release or transfer to another jail, prison or USM service, trained and skilled Corrections Health personnel provide effective screening, illness identification, evaluation and treatment through a system of policies and procedures that reflect the standard of care in the community, and are equivalent to other correctional facilities across the country.

This offer represents the MCDC 4th floor which is composed of 46 beds, two general and two mental health clinic rooms, one dental operatory, X-ray and lab services as well as 10 mental health and 10 general medical skilled care beds, plus four housing areas for high level discipline inmates. The 4th floor also contains a nursing station, administrative areas and a medication/supplies room. Services such as skilled nursing, IV therapy, post surgical and terminal care are provided in the jail instead of a high cost hospital. The 4th floor is staffed 24/7 with nursing personnel to provide needed care and emergency medical response. This health care is delivered effectively through providing the right care in the right setting.

The fourth floor housing unit 4D is acute mental health. There are 10 beds in that unit. Both medical and mental health services are provided to these chronically ill clients. Mental health is managed by a team of mental health nurses, consultants and providers. A mental health supervisor and mental health consultants (including a lead) provide support for forensic diversion and other programs, testify in court when appropriate and participate in multidisciplinary team processes to ensure the most appropriate and least restrictive housing is utilized, and that efforts to divert detainees from jail are expedited.

| Performance Measures |  |                |                  |                  |               |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------|--|----------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|--|--|--|--|
| Measure<br>Type      | Primary Measure  | FY19<br>Actual | FY20<br>Budgeted | FY20<br>Estimate | FY21<br>Offer |  |  |  |  |
| Output               | Avg # inmate nursing assessments monthly   | 987            | 1,300            | 1,000            | 1,000         |  |  |  |  |
| Outcome              | Avg active and constant suicide watches per month to prevent inmate injury or death. | 127            | 100              | 125              | 125           |  |  |  |  |

## **Performance Measures Descriptions**

Measure 1: Reflects care delivered on all floors in MCDC and includes both medical and mental health requests. Measure 2: Tracking both "ACTIVE" and "CONSTANT" suicide watches, captures management of detainees felt to be at risk, better reflecting resource needs.

### **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<br>General Fund | Adopted<br>Other Funds | Adopted<br>General Fund | Adopted<br>Other Funds |
|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Program Expenses     | 2020                    | 2020                   | 2021                    | 2021                   |
| Personnel            | \$1,828,603             | \$0                    | \$2,183,984             | \$0                    |
| Contractual Services | \$323,000               | \$0                    | \$457,410               | \$0                    |
| Materials & Supplies | \$544,685               | \$0                    | \$464,088               | \$0                    |
| Internal Services    | \$398,592               | \$0                    | \$376,797               | \$0                    |
| Total GF/non-GF      | \$3,094,880             | \$0                    | \$3,482,279             | \$0                    |
| Program Total:       | \$3,094,880             |                        | \$3,482,279             |                        |
| Program FTE          | 10.50                   | 0.00                   | 10.50                   | 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. A co-pay system is in place that charges the inmate accounts nominal fees only for detainee-requested medical and dental provider evaluations. No fees are charged for mental health requests or mental health provider evaluations. Provider-ordered treatments, screenings, diagnostic tests and communicable diseases tests are performed at no charge. Necessary clinical care is provided regardless of the detainee's ability to pay.

#### Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2020: 40050B-20 Corrections Health MCDC Clinical Services and 4th Floor Housing