

Department: Health Department

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Program Offer Type: Operating

Program Offer Stage: Proposed

Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Program Description

This offer represents the Mental Health Services provided to adults in custody at the Multnomah County Detention Center (MCDC), Multnomah County Inverness Jail (MCIJ), and youth in custody at the Donald E. Long Juvenile Detention Center (JDH). Approximately 400 adults are housed at MCDC, 600 at MCIJ, and 30 at JDH. Around 42% of the adults in custody, or 420 individuals, have a known mental health diagnosis, risk of mental health diagnosis, or substance use disorder. MCDC houses adults with severe mental illness and individuals assessed as requiring a higher level of security compared to MCIJ. All adults enter custody and are released from MCDC contributing to the high level of activity and need in this facility. Timely screening, diagnostic evaluation, risk assessment, and safety planning are essential for immediate safety, especially for clients presenting a risk of suicide or violence towards others. Treatment options at adult and youth facilities include psychotherapy, psycho-education, case management, care coordination, and group therapy. The majority of youth at JDH are engaged in mental health services. A Caseload Model of client assignment is used to support relationship building and continuity of care over the course of one's stay at every facility. Increased recruitment and retention of staff with culturally specific knowledge, skills and abilities (KSA), KSA Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselors (CADC) to support individuals with dual diagnoses, and further development of group programming are priorities across sites.

This program seeks to provide improved mental and behavioral health outcomes for adults and youth in custody.

Outputs include:

Average # mental health evaluations for suicide watch per month

Average # of evaluations performed by Mental Health Consultants for all CH sites per month.

Outcome: Average amount of Mental Health staff FTE with culturally specific KSA roles filled per month to support increased provision of needed specialized care. KSAs are for Black/African American, Latine, and LGBTQI+ communities.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY24 Actual	FY25 Budgeted	FY25 Estimate	FY26 Target
Output	Average # of mental health evaluations for suicide watch per month	250	250	250	260
Output	Average # of evaluations performed by Mental Health Consultants for all CH sites per month	1,000	1,100	1,100	1,150
Outcome	Average number of Mental Health staff FTE with Knowledge, Skills, Abilities (KSA) roles filled per month t	2.8	2.8	2.8	4.8

Performance Measures Descriptions

Average # monthly mental health evaluations for suicide watch includes: Individuals at risk for suicide can be placed on watch by Corrections Health or Sheriff's staff. Precautions include increased observation and item restriction. Placement prompts a Mental Health Clinician evaluation for care direction, follow-up, and safety planning for removing precautions. This output may increase with facility census and population symptom severity, indicating that at-risk client needs are met.

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	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2025	2025	2026	2026
Personnel	\$4,150,760	\$0	\$3,742,846	\$0
Contractual Services	\$87,108	\$0	\$89,460	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$376,567	\$0	\$400,627	\$0
Internal Services	\$390,116	\$0	\$406,029	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$5,004,551	\$0	\$4,638,962	\$0
Program Total:	\$5,004,551		\$4,638,962	
Program FTE	23.05	0.00	20.95	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. The earliest that Corrections Health would be able to bill Medicaid would be 1 January 2026. Provider assessments, treatments, screenings, diagnostic tests and communicable diseases tests are performed at no charge. Medications are provided 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 2025: 40059A Corrections Health Behavioral Health Services