

**Program #40059A - Corrections Health Mental Health Services** 2/19/2015

**Department:** Health Department **Program Contact:** Nancy Griffith  
**Program Offer Type:** Innovative/New Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Requested  
**Related Programs:** 40050-40051  
**Program Characteristics:** One-Time-Only Request, Out of Target

**Executive Summary**

Corrections Health Mental Health Pilot adds 3 shifts of mental health personnel to provide 24/7 suicide watch coverage. This will improve the quality of care for the mentally ill inmates in jail, reduce Multnomah County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) costs and create efficiency for the court system.

**Program Summary**

This program offer will allow Corrections Health to have a mental health consultant available for 24/7 suicide watch coverage. The addition of these staff this past year helped reduce the number of clients on suicide watch from an average of 11.3 daily from January to September to 4.8 daily between October and December. This has significantly reduced the amount of staff needed by the Sheriff's office to watch clients on suicide watch. Additionally, it has allowed for clients to receive more timely mental health care. This has allowed us to identify clients who need mental health treatment earlier in their stay in jail. Being able to provide timely care in our short term setting is essential to assist clients in being able to maintain some level of stability while incarcerated while working towards more active transition plans upon release from jail. Additionally, clients have been able to access mental health staff more than one time per day. This has allowed clients to be reduced from constant suicide watch to active suicide watch much sooner than before these staff were hired.

**Performance Measures:**

We do not want to discourage staff from placing inmates on suicide watch, but the mental health staffing should allow us to evaluate inmates and appropriately release those who don't need to remain on active suicide watch. Currently we have on average 12 people per day who remained on active suicide watch for longer than 24 hours. With the 4.2 FTE MHC staff who were added to the FY15 budget the average daily clients who are on suicide watch, both active and constant has been reduced from January-September of 11.3 to September to December of 4.8. We continue to believe the average will be closer to the 5 clients daily instead of the almost 12 clients that were on during the first 9 months of 2014. For our outcome measure #2 the next year offer of 6 reflects this reduction in overall clients being on suicide watch.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY14 Actual	FY15 Purchased	FY15 Estimate	FY16 Offer
Output	Avg number of mental health evaluations for suicide watch per month.	n/a	246	180	160
Outcome	Reduction in number of inmates who remain on active suicide watch per day.	n/a	9	12	6

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

First performance measure is changed to evaluations per month rather than evaluations per shift.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2015	2015	2016	2016
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$406,471	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$5,160	\$0
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$411,631</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$0</b>		<b>\$411,631</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	0.00	0.00	4.20	0.00

Program Revenues				
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: