

Program #40059B - Corrections Health Behavioral Health Nurse Practitioner

FY 2024 Proposed

Restoration

Department: Health Department Program Contact: Myque Obiero

Program Offer Type: Existing Program Offer Stage: Proposed

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Corrections Health has seen an increase in the acuity of mental health issues housing. A federal Judge Mosman order has also affected the number of individuals coming back from the Oregon State Hospital, further increasing the acuity of behavioral health adults and youth in custody.

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 while incarcerated in the adult detention facilities or the Donald E. Long Detention Center. 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 the mental health and transition services to adults in the MCDC and MCIJ facilities and juveniles in the JDH facility. At MCDC, approximately 400 detainees are housed in classification (new jail housing), female, male, close custody and mental health housing modules. Ninety-six rooms are designated for those with mental health diagnosis and cared for by a team of mental health nurses, consultants and providers for diagnosis and treatment. Early identification, evaluation and treatment provide safety for clients, especially for suicide prevention. At MCIJ, approximately 600 men, women, inmate workers for inside and outside work crews, sentenced individuals and those awaiting trial are housed. Mental health services are also provided to inmates at MCIJ, both individually and in groups. Inmates are typically more stable in this jail which allows for mental health groups to occur several times per week. In addition to groups, individual sessions and medication management occur. JDH health professionals work 16 hours/day, seven days a week providing care for 40 youth daily in 7 individual housing units from three counties.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY22 Actual	FY23 Budgeted	FY23 Estimate	FY24 Offer			
Output	Total number of mental health consultant patient encounters across MCDC, MCIJ and JDH	13,821	14,000	14,000	14,000			
Outcome	Total number of provider visits by PMHNPs and Forensic Fellows across MCDC, MCIJ and JDH	4,758	5,000	5,000	5,000			

Performance Measures Descriptions

Measure 1: Total number of MHC visits

Measure 2: Total number of Behavioral Health provider visits

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	2023	2023	2024	2024	
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$189,552	\$0	
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$189,552	\$0	
Program Total:	\$0		\$189,552		
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.80	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. 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: