



Program #40059B - Additional Corrections Health Behavioral Health Staff FY 2025 Proposed

Department: Health Department **Program Contact:** Myque Obiero
Program Offer Type: Operating **Program Offer Stage:** Proposed
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics: New Request

Executive Summary

Corrections Health Multnomah County Detention Center, Inverness Jail and Juvenile Detention Home collectively house over 1,000 adults and 35 juveniles. Over 36,000 adult individuals are cared for each year with over 30% having mental health and behavioral issues. Over 2,500+ juvenile individuals are cared for each year from Multnomah, Washington and Clackamas counties-- brought in from the community, other jurisdictions and other community holding facilities. Over 40% of those juveniles have significant mental health conditions.

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 Multnomah County 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 FY25 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 case manager addition as well as a behavioral health supervisor at MCDC. 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 as well as introducing case management as a model for mental health clinicians to follow closely AICs that present with severe and persistent mental health issues, ultimately leading to better clinical outcomes.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budgeted	FY24 Estimate	FY25 Target
Outcome	Develop a case management model to follow up Adults in Custody with Serious and Persistent Mental Illness (S	N/A	N/A	25	25
Quality	More supervision and support to manage the increasing acuity at Multnomah County Detention Center	N/A	N/A	2	2

Performance Measures Descriptions

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	2024	2024	2025	2025
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$325,410	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$325,410	\$0
Program Total:	\$0		\$325,410	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	2.00	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: