Multnomah County Program #40061B - Harm	FY 2025 Adopte		
Department:	Health Department	Program Contact:	Neisha Saxena
Program Offer Type: Related Programs:	Operating	Program Offer Stage:	Adopted

The Health Department Harm Reduction Program will train clients on naloxone use and opiate overdose prevention, distribute naloxone to clients for their use, encourage clients to promote overdose prevention messages and disseminate naloxone through drug-using and social networks and families, and provide referral to clients to treatment.

Program Description

The opioid epidemic, rising methamphetamine use, increased fentanyl in the community have led to increased overdose deaths. Opioid overdose prevention and response education and naloxone distribution to people who use opioids and family/friends/service providers who may recognize an overdose has saved numerous lives locally and nationally. This program links individuals to substance use treatment, health education, and other resources. It also provides technical assistance to community partners to integrate overdose prevention and response activities into their service delivery.

This program funded with Opioid Settlement funds backfilled a State funding reduction beginning in FY 2024, so this critical service can continue. The program provides policy, strategic, operational, and training, in coordination with Oregon Health Authority and other harm reduction leaders. Leveraging a diverse set of community based organizations in education, healthcare, housing, and correctional settings, that interact with staff and clients at risk for overdose. Giving them the tools needed to respond to an overdose on their premises. This will include training staff at each site in naloxone/overdose prevention and education. Providing guidance and best practice recommendations for staffing; organizing stakeholder inclusive planning processes; creating alignment with law enforcement; and policy creation including Standing Orders. Service promotion, staff safety, integrating naloxone with other harm reduction activities, and supporting harm reduction messaging for addictions treatment engagement will be essential components.

Culturally specific organizations will be the priority. The program collects race/ethnicity data and conducts comprehensive bi-annual surveys on demographics and drug use behaviors to inform policy and improve service delivery. Ensuring organizations who deliver culturally specific services integrate harm reduction activities, including syringe distribution and overdose prevention effectively.

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budgeted	FY24 Estimate	FY25 Target
Output	Number of naloxone doses distributed to harm reduction clients	14,218	24,000	20,900	22,000
Outcome	Number of community partners receiving overdose response and naloxone training	N/A	240	100	200

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds		
Program Expenses	2024	2024	2025	2025		
Personnel	\$230,140	\$0	\$205,823	\$0		
Materials & Supplies	\$49,860	\$0	\$63,405	\$0		
Total GF/non-GF	\$280,000	\$0	\$269,228	\$0		
Program Total:	\$280	\$280,000		\$269,228		
Program FTE	1.00	0.00	1.45	0.00		
Program Revenues						
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		

Funding from Opioid Settlement

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2024: 40061B Harm Reduction - Opioid Settlement Investment