



Program #40071 - Behavioral Health Division Adult Protective Services FY 2025 Proposed

Department: Health Department **Program Contact:** Barbara Snow
Program Offer Type: Operating **Program Offer Stage:** Proposed
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Behavioral Health Division's (BHD) Adult Protective Services (APS) investigates abuse and neglect per OAR Chapter 419. Criteria that gives APS authority to open investigations include all of the following; individuals over age 18 who are receiving mental health services and/or that reside in a residential facility, and with a serious and persistent (SPMI) mental health diagnosis. In addition, APS offers community education/training to internal and external partners using a cultural lens to open dialogue regarding culture, race and protective services. Protective services are provided to individuals engaged in services and outreach/ coordination and risk case management services to individuals not engaged in services or whose allegations do not meet authority to open a case for investigation.

Program Description

BHD's Adult Protective Services is a mandated program, guided by state law OAR Chapter 419, to protect adults with SPMI from abuse and victimization. The program receives and screens abuse reports from mandatory reporters, community members and victims of abuse. BDH APS is considered a safety net service, whether or not the incident qualifies for investigation, time is taken to assess risk, develop and coordinate protective services and safety planning, all to mitigate the risk for these vulnerable individuals. The Division's APS staff coordinate multidisciplinary teams to develop plans to reduce risk of harm, reduce vulnerability and connect victims and potential victims to services. The program receives guidance from Oregon State's Office of Training, Investigations and Safety (OTIS) about the scope of the program's authority and the interpretation and application of the relevant state statutes. The program consults and exchanges cross-reports with the other APS programs in the county, namely Aging, Disability, and Veterans' Service Division APS and Intellectual and Developmental Disability APS. The program also includes risk case management (RCM), which is unique to the State of Oregon Behavioral Health APS. Our risk case manager serves as an additional layer of support and connection for those who are most vulnerable due to mental health disability, substance use disorder, homelessness, and abuse. The APS program also has two African American culturally specific (one also bilingual Spanish), KSA abuse investigator positions to provide screening, investigation and training services in a culturally and trauma-informed manner by outreach to those Black, Indigenous, Latino and other Communities of Color who historically under report to APS. Our Community Educator, KSA position is also unique across the State of Oregon and is instrumental in addressing the historical under-reporting of abuse in the African American community and tailoring interventions, supports and recommendations to be culturally specific. Finally, the Division's APS is responsible for providing mandatory abuse reporting training to our community partners and community members to increase their understanding of the rules, criteria, process and outcome of abuse reporting. Finally, the program conducts Death Reviews for all individuals who meet the criteria outlined in the previous section. Death Reviews consist of an audit of the past year of clinical progress notes in order to determine if any abuse or neglect by the mental health provider played a role in the individual's death. In FY23, the program completed 81 death reviews.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budgeted	FY24 Estimate	FY25 Target
Output	# of screenings/investigations ¹	941	1,000	902	950
Outcome	# protective services screening referred to Risk Case Management ²	78	80	73	80
Output	Number of community education presentations	25	25	25	25

Performance Measures Descriptions

¹Adult protective services are offered to every alleged victim either directly or through safety planning with the provider, which happens at the screening level. Not all screenings result in investigations.
²Cases referred to risk case management increased in acuity, therefore fewer cases were able to be assigned to this role (1FTE).

Legal / Contractual Obligation

The LMHA shall conduct the investigations and make the findings required by ORS 430.735 to 430.765 for allegations of abuse of a person with mental illness being served in a program paid for by Multnomah County.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2024	2024	2025	2025
Personnel	\$1,052,220	\$237,043	\$1,365,963	\$249,544
Materials & Supplies	\$5,827	\$24	\$6,043	\$24
Internal Services	\$148,944	\$20,275	\$152,914	\$26,995
Total GF/non-GF	\$1,206,991	\$257,342	\$1,524,920	\$276,563
Program Total:	\$1,464,333		\$1,801,483	
Program FTE	6.49	1.51	8.49	1.51

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$257,342	\$0	\$276,563
Total Revenue	\$0	\$257,342	\$0	\$276,563

Explanation of Revenues

State \$ 276,563 - State Mental Health Grant: MHS-01: Quality Mgt - Protective service

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2024: 40071 Behavioral Health Division Adult Protective Services

Since the onset of the pandemic, APS screening calls have increased and the demand for Risk Case Management (RCM) services has increased proportionately. The RCM team provides in-home and/or community-based services. Due to increased community violence (on transit or downtown streets), including direct threats against staff, the team is now providing these services in pairs. While this promotes staff safety when in the community, it results in more time spent providing fewer client contacts for the RCM service.