



Program #40077 - Mental Health Treatment & Medication for the Uninsured FY 2024 Proposed

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Program Offer Type: Existing **Program Offer Stage:** Proposed
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Multnomah Treatment Fund (MTF) prioritizes community-based services to individuals who experience challenges associated with severe mental illness. MTF services for uninsured individuals without financial resources that are ineligible for Medicaid through Oregon Health Plan (OHP). These individuals may have been released from jail or psychiatric hospitals and/or are at risk of hospitalization or decompensation of mental health stability. In some cases, the program creates access to critical behavioral health services for individuals who do not qualify for many public entitlements and resources because of their immigration status. Contracted providers are responsible to ensure diversity training for staff, a diverse workforce, and incorporating social equity innovation into their policy development and service delivery.

Program Description

The Behavioral Health Division provides funds to the network of providers to treat consumers who are uninsured during periods of exacerbated psychiatric symptoms in acute stages of mental illness.

The goal is to stabilize and prevent more drastic consequences including hospitalization, incarceration, loss of housing, impacts of substance use disorder and loss of custody of children. If these services are effective, the client's stability is supported so that trauma, increased vulnerability and suffering is prevented or reduced and the county preserves funds that would otherwise be lost to costly deep-end institutional responses such as hospitalization, corrections, or homelessness response/emergency services. Providers do a review during their intake process to ensure that MTF services are provided as clinically necessary and that clients' insurance status and financial eligibility meet program criteria. Services can include individual and group therapy, case management, community outreach, housing assistance, medication management, co-occurring disorder treatment, care coordination, and crisis intervention. While the person is receiving services, they can be linked to other supports and acquire assistance in securing OHP benefits. The demand for services in this program have continued to decrease due to Medicaid Expansion, however this service is critical to provide due to limitations on Medicaid eligibility requirements and on Medicare approved services. There are individuals who require this safety net program to receive on-going mental health case management and treatment services. Additionally, some services, such as intensive case management and general case management are not covered by Medicare. 20% of the persons served in this program were from Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) Communities.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY22 Actual	FY23 Budgeted	FY23 Estimate	FY24 Offer
Output	Total # of adults who received county-funded outpatient services or medication (1)	210	400	205	200
Outcome	Percentage of MTF clients that are hospitalized	3.2%	6.2%	3.0%	3.0%

Performance Measures Descriptions

(1) We have seen a decrease in utilization since FY 22, resulting in fewer clients being served through this program. Providers report that more individuals are insured who are seeking their behavioral health services.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Oregon Health Authority Intergovernmental Agreement for the Financing of Community Addictions and Mental Health Services.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2023	2023	2024	2024
Contractual Services	\$1,259,920	\$0	\$686,110	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$1,259,920	\$0	\$686,110	\$0
Program Total:	\$1,259,920		\$686,110	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2023: 40077 Mental Health Treatment & Medication for the Uninsured

The budget was decreased to match actual spending.