



Program #40077 - Mental Health Treatment & Medication for the Uninsured FY 2026 Department Requested

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

Program Description

According to the Oregon Health Authority around 6% of Oregonians are uninsured and about 1 in 10 Oregonians experience a gap in coverage during the year. Without insurance individuals are not able to access outpatient behavioral health services. If they are enrolled and experience a gap in coverage they would immediately lose access to these services.

The Multnomah Treatment Fund (MTF) prioritizes community-based services to individuals who experience challenges associated with severe mental illness. MTF provides funds to outpatient behavioral health providers to ensure that those individuals who experience a gap in funding do not lose access to needed care and therefore prevent more drastic consequences including hospitalization, incarceration, loss of housing and other potential negative outcomes. 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. 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.

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. Providers 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, cooccurring disorder treatment, care coordination, and crisis intervention. Clients are linked to other supports and acquire assistance in securing OHP benefits. The demand for services in this program has 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. 17% of the persons served in this program were from Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) Communities. 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.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY24 Actual	FY25 Budgeted	FY25 Estimate	FY26 Target
Output	Total # of adults who received county-funded outpatient services or medication.	196	195	260	225
Outcome	Percentage of MTF clients that are hospitalized	6.1%	3.0%	5.0%	6.0%

Performance Measures Descriptions

1. This includes the total number of adults that are served by the MTF program for outpatient services with County contracted providers. 2. The percentage of individuals within this program that are hospitalized and are clients within these programs. Given the last two year trend that is expected to continue, the program expects to exceed the FY25 percentage of MTF clients that are hospitalized.

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	Department Requested General Fund	Department Requested Other Funds
Program Expenses	2025	2025	2026	2026
Contractual Services	\$733,984	\$0	\$299,000	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$733,984	\$0	\$299,000	\$0
Program Total:	\$733,984		\$299,000	
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 2025: 40077 Mental Health Treatment & Medication for the Uninsured

This contract was reduced by \$454,803 for FY26. This right-sizes the contract based on previous utilization. Outputs/Outcomes remain the same based on utilization.