

**Department:** Health Department

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**Program Offer Type:**
**Program Offer Stage:** As Adopted

**Related Programs:**
**Program Characteristics:**
**Executive Summary**

As a core component of the local public health authority (LPHA) and public health system, communicable disease (CD) programming protects community health by responding to reportable communicable diseases with prompt disease investigation and limiting the spread of these diseases through disease control interventions. Responding to COVID-19 has become and will continue to be a critical aspect of LPHA and CD activities. Providing robust surveillance, case investigation, and contact tracing within a culturally specific framework is a public health strategy that can contain the spread of COVID-19.

**Program Summary**

As Multnomah County continues to reopen its economy and respond to COVID-19, CD investigation and response capacity is being expanded to conduct complete case investigation and contact tracing of positive cases and contacts to slow disease transmission. The public health infrastructure of epidemiologists, community health nurses, disease investigation specialists, and community health workers (CHWs) comprise investigation and response teams, which are the backbone of surveillance, case investigation, and contact tracing. This infrastructure sits within Public Health's Office of the Director and CD program, as well as culturally specific community-based organizations (CBO).

The combination of Public Health and CBO staff reflect the demographic makeup of the county and provide the needed culturally and linguistically responsive surge capacity to continue to meet State of Oregon and Multnomah County criteria, respond to outbreaks, and implement strategies focused on vulnerable community members and Black, Indigenous and other people of color (BIPOC). For positive tests, Public Health investigators and contact tracers work to identify an individual's close contacts, worksites, living quarters, and health care settings and provide health and isolation/quarantine information. Public Health staff refer individuals to culturally specific CHWs who then provide supports for isolation, basic needs, supplies, and other needed referrals. This approach enables the County to meet key criteria related to percent of positive cases traced and interviewed, provide timely response to outbreaks, as well as the basic needs and supports of vulnerable community members and BIPOC.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY19 Actual	FY20 Budgeted	FY20 Estimate	FY21 Offer
Output	# of culturally specific CBO CHWs supporting contact tracing	NA	NA	NA	35
Outcome	% of positive cases with first tracing call placed within 24 hours	NA	NA	NA	95%

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2020	2020	2021	2021
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,820,898
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,033,916
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500,507
Internal Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$308,859
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$12,664,180</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$0</b>		<b>\$12,664,180</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,664,180
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$12,664,180</b>

Explanation of Revenues

This program generates \$248,469 in indirect revenues.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: