

Program #60370 - MCDC Behavioral Health Team

FY 2026 Department Requested

Department: Sheriff Program Contact: Steve Reardon

Program Offer Type: Operating Program Offer Stage: Department Requested

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Program Description

Adults In Custody with mental health or substance use disorders benefit from a focused program designed to screen, identify, and channel appropriate healthcare services while in MCSO custody. The team operates within the Multnomah County Detention Center in support of, and in collaboration with, dedicated County mental health and medical health professionals, ensuring that mental health services for Adults In Custody are maximized through the synergy of common approaches.

The Mental Health team consists of one sergeant and one deputy, who focus on the mental health and substance use concerns of those in MCSO custody. This team will screen, identify, assess, record, and direct mental and physical health needs through an established network and system of professionals best suited to provide this critical care. This focus on addressing the immediate needs of Adults In Custody who require specialized mental health attention ensures necessary care and attention is provided as soon as possible by those best positioned to conduct corresponding evaluations, direct further care, or prescribe medications in line with a mental health diagnosis. Health Department Staff are relied upon to provide the assessment, diagnosis, and prescription of medication and care and the MCSO Behavioral Health Team ensures the individual is properly screened upon entry into the facility and properly classified for receipt of mental health attention as part of this collaborative protocol.

In addition, this sergeant and deputy support the timely facilitation of the weekly Aid & Assist Docket, ensuring individuals who may require a higher level of mental health care are safely able to attend the court process. In the event an alternative to jail is ordered, this team coordinates communication for gathering health records and safe, timely transport from jail. The combining of mental health services, security, and social behavior programming promotes stabilization and engagement with health services and encourages individuals to advocate for themselves in a positive manner, as well as provides access to groups for building coping skills.

The ultimate goal is to ensure individuals with Severe and Persistent Mental Illness (SPMI) and/or Substance Use Disorder are properly managed and cared for. The Team will contribute to a safe and livable community by facilitating access to services in the facility and linking to the appropriate levels of care within the community: Inpatient Hospitalization, Forensic Diversion, MH Court, Outpatient Services.

The MCDC Behavioral Health Team:

- Facilitates mental health services for Adults In Custody in collaboration with Corrections Health
- Facilitate the Aid & Assist Docket so that persons with significant mental health need can participate in court process

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY24 Actual	FY25 Budgeted	FY25 Estimate	FY26 Target			
Output	Hours staff assisted with transporting AIC's to attend Aid & Assist Docket hearings	448	440	408	440			
Output	Number of rapid evaluations scheduled in MCSO custody in lieu of transport to Oregon State Hospital	96	65	96	65			

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Department Requested General Fund	Department Requested Other Funds
Program Expenses	2025	2025	2026	2026
Personnel	\$438,913	\$0	\$487,325	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$438,913	\$0	\$487,325	\$0
Program Total:	\$438	3,913	\$487,325	
Program FTE	2.00	0.00	2.00	0.00

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

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2025: 60370 MCDC Behavioral Health Team