



Program #40096 - MCDC Intake and Reception Mental Health Staffing

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Department: Health Department

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Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program

Program Offer Stage: As Adopted

Related Programs: 40050-40051

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Corrections Health provides round-the-clock mental health support to over 1,100 detainees of the Multnomah County jails. Corrections Health nurses provide over 1,800 intake screenings to incoming detainees each month. Thirty percent of those incoming detainees had identified serious mental health issues, often with concurrent substance use concerns. This additional staffing will allow for more rapid mental health assessments at MCDC booking and reception.

Program Summary

In 2016, thirty percent of detainees had serious mental health issues, often with concurrent substance use concerns. This additional staffing will allow for more rapid mental health professional assessment, more efficient coordination of services, including provider assessment and medication prescription, and improved facilitation of discharge planning when appropriate.

This program offer adds mental health consultants, who in combination with existing staff, will provide 7 day/week mental health coverage at MCDC. This will fill in a current gap in the mid-shift (afternoon to evening) time to respond to mental health challenges entering the jail through transfers from other counties, Oregon State Hospital returns, and other booked detainees. The mental health consultants would facilitate discharge planning for those released on recognizance, facilitate housing in mental health units if appropriate and coordinate medication needs, working in conjunction with the nurses in the reception area. In addition, they would assist in identification and facilitation of provider assessment soon after booking, so that individuals with mental health needs would receive more efficient follow up and medication support.

An additional Nurse Practitioner will support both MCDC and Inverness Jail general clinics. Current staffing does not allow for Monday through Friday support at MCDC. This will also reduce the use of on-call staffing to cover for providers who are sick or on vacation.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY16 Actual	FY17 Purchased	FY17 Estimate	FY18 Offer
Output	Average # of Reception Screening (Entry Progress Forms) completed in a month				150
Outcome	% of screenings resulting in a referral to the mental health team per year				75%

Performance Measures Descriptions

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Necessary health care for incarcerated individuals is a right because they do not have the freedom to obtain care on their own. Appropriate access to care and timely evaluation by a health professional is mandated by the 4th, 8th and 14th amendments. When serious health needs are not adequately addressed by professionals, that deliberate indifference to medical needs may bring harm to individuals entrusted to our care and increase liability for the County. Corrections Health is bound by ethical standards to provide unbiased care to all individuals based on community standards of care.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2017	2017	2018	2018
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$335,868	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$335,868	\$0
Program Total:	\$0		\$335,868	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	3.00	0.00

Program Revenues

Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Explanation of Revenues

As a result of the current laws that govern the responsibilities of governmental agencies in the care of detained individuals, Corrections Health is unable to bill for services from Medicare, and Medicaid. These rules and laws are under review nationally to determine if additional revenue sources can be made available to jails. A co-pay system is in place that charges the inmate accounts nominal fees for detainee-requested evaluations and clinic visits. Provider-ordered treatments, screenings, diagnostic tests and communicable diseases tests are performed at no charge. Necessary clinical care is provided regardless of the detainee's ability to pay.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: