

Priority: Safety Net Services
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs: 25015
Frameworks: Poverty Framework

Lead Agency: County Human
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Executive Summary

Mental health professionals acting as part of a multi-disciplinary team that consists of staff from Adult Protective Services, Aging and Disability Services, and community senior service providers provide outreach services to vulnerable seniors and disabled adults.

Program Description

Seniors who will not or cannot access care on their own are identified for outreach by a multi-disciplinary team of social service providers through this program. The multi-disciplinary team consists of staff from Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare, Multnomah County Adult Protective Services, Multnomah County Aging and Disability Services, and community senior service providers. These funds support Cascadia staff on the team who provide consultation and outreach oriented mental health services to vulnerable seniors and disabled adults without regard to insurance coverage. Seniors and disabled persons seen under this contract are provided with home-based services that include mental health assessment, engagement, care coordination, and referral to appropriate social services. Their family and caregivers are provided with support and referrals to services for the senior in their care, such as housecleaning and meals on wheels.

Program Justification

This multi-disciplinary program supports the Basic Living Needs Priority and the Poverty Elimination Framework by maximizing service efficiency through inter-departmental coordination and collaboration. The team identifies seniors needing community supports as well as treatment to prevent them from experiencing a mental health crisis. By providing home-based services, the program includes and supports family and caregivers while treating the senior in their care. Communication across departments allows staff to address all of the health and social service needs of the senior. Using multidisciplinary teams (physicians, nurses, therapists/social workers) has been shown to increase level of functioning, improve diagnosis and treatment, reduce the use of institutional services, achieve more appropriate placement and increase the overall quality of care delivered to the elderly.

This additional capacity program offer is being made to support an additional staff person who can provide outreach to vulnerable seniors.

Performance Measures

Using multidisciplinary teams (physicians, nurses, therapists/social workers) has been shown to increase level of functioning, improve diagnosis and treatment, reduced the use of institutional services, achieve more appropriate placement and increase the overall quality of care delivered to the elderly.

Number of individuals referred for Mental Health Consultation/Assessment Annually

Summary of last year's program results and this year's expected results

\$122,511 funded five mental health staff providing consultation at three retirement homes. Gresham Retirement = 3, Hood View = 1, Mt. St. Joseph = 1

\$183,188 paid for multidisciplinary teams for older and disabled individuals.

720 individuals identified by the Multi-Disciplinary Team were referred for consultation and assessment for mental health treatment appropriateness in fiscal year 2004. If additional capacity offer is selected, it is anticipated that additional individuals will be seen through this outreach program.

Program Mandate: 3 Program Choice but No Funding/Service Level Choice

OAR 309-032-0545 Standards for Adult Mental Health Services MHO Contract Part II, Section V Statement of Work (B) Delivery Needs Configuration(e) Physical Health Care Providers.

Revenue/Expense Detail

| | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Program Expenses | 2005 | 2005 | 2006 | 2006 |
| Contracts | \$0 | \$0 | \$182,677 | \$0 |
| Subtotal: Direct Exps: | \$0 | \$0 | \$182,677 | \$0 |
| Administration | \$0 | \$0 | \$5,666 | \$0 |
| Program Support | \$0 | \$0 | \$9,089 | \$0 |
| Subtotal: Other Exps: | \$0 | \$0 | \$14,755 | \$0 |
| Total GF/non-GF: | \$0 | \$0 | \$197,432 | \$0 |
| Program Total: | \$0 | | \$197,432 | |
| Program FTE | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Program Revenues | | | | |
| Program Revenue for Admin | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Total Revenue: | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

Explanation of Revenues

This program is totally funded by County General Funds.

Significant Program Changes

None Anticipated.