

Program # 25099 - MH Provider Tax

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Priority: Safety Net Services
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs: 25069
Frameworks: Poverty Framework

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Executive Summary

The County's managed Mental Health Organization, Verity, pays a 5.8% provider tax to the State to leverage additional federal funds for the Oregon Health Plan. The additional funds received by the State are then redistributed to us through the Oregon Health Plan reimbursement.

Program Description

The Oregon State Legislature approved a tax on managed care plans to support benefits for Oregon Health Plan Standard enrollees. The dollars raised by the tax on managed care plans are eligible to be matched by federal Medicaid funds. The federal government will match every dollar the State raises with \$1.50. This additional money is used by the State to fund Oregon Health Plan benefits so that individuals at a higher percentage of the federal poverty level can receive health care.

Program Justification

The Provider Tax links to the Basic Living Needs priority as well as the Poverty Elimination Framework by providing access to care for more people in need. Without insurance to cover outpatient mental health treatment, mentally ill individuals are more likely to experience a psychiatric crisis requiring them to be hospitalized. The provider tax helps insure additional residents and prevents the use of more expensive levels of care, such as hospitalization, by making outpatient treatment available for those who require it.

Performance Measures

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Because we choose to be a Mental Health Organization under contract with the State of Oregon, we are required to pay this provider tax.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
	2005	2005	2006	2006
Program Expenses				
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,227,692
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,227,692
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$18,040	\$51,054
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$51,595	\$59,241
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$69,635	\$110,295
Total GF/non-GF:	\$0	\$0	\$69,635	\$2,337,987
Program Total:	\$0		\$2,407,622	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,227,692
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$110,295
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,337,987

Explanation of Revenues

This program is funded primarily by Oregon Health Plan premiums.

Significant Program Changes

None Anticipated.