

Priority: Safety
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

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Executive Summary

The Child Abuse Team reviews and processes cases and reports involving child abuse in a domestic setting or by child care providers. Using an integrated team of prosecutors, child specialists, and police investigators, the team reviews, coordinates and investigates cases, then decides how to proceed.

Program Description

Also known as the Multidisciplinary Child Abuse Team (MDT) this group of Deputy District Attorneys and staff are part of a larger group of dedicated child and health care professionals, law enforcement officers and prosecutors. They review and investigate all reported cases of child abuse or child mistreatment in the county and all fatalities which involve a child under the age of 18 years and where abuse is suspected.

Located at the Gateway Children's Center campus, this program prosecutes some of the most troubling and serious crimes every year and handles the corresponding child abuse and neglect proceeding in Juvenile Court.

Each team member and those conducting child abuse investigations and interviews of child abuse victims are trained in risk assessment, dynamics of child abuse, child sexual abuse and rape of children and legally sound and age appropriate interview and investigatory techniques.

This program also coordinates the distribution Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Intervention (C.A.M.I) funds which are generated from unitary assessment funds from the state, to a variety of local partners on an annual basis for projects associated with child abuse intervention.

Program Justification

This program is a multi-jurisdictional, cooperative and collaborative team of professionals that reviews, investigates and prosecutes crimes involving child abuse and/or child mistreatment. The offenders in these cases are often high level or serious offenders but medium and low level offenders are also managed by this program.

The program keeps children safe by removing them from dangerous and abusive home or day care situations when necessary and working with families to address the issues which brought the child to the attention of authorities in the first place.

Performance Measures

| Measure Type | Primary Measure | Previous Year Actual (FY04-05) | Current Year Purchased (FY05-06) | Current Year Estimate (FY05-06) | Next Year Offer (FY06-07) |
|--------------|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Output | Number of Dependency cases | 125 | 0 | 128 | 128 |
| Outcome | Number of children served on Dependency cases | 199 | 0 | 216 | 215 |
| Output | Felony cases issued | 100 | 106 | 98 | 105 |
| Input | felony cased reviewed | 290 | 285 | 281 | 285 |

Performance Measure - Description

Number of Dependency cases- this is a new performance measure depicting the number of new and reopened Dependency cases.

Number of Children served on Dependency cases-This is a new performance measure counting the number of children served on the new and reopened Dependency cases.

Cases Issued: is defined as the number of cases for which a charging document has been created in that unit.

Cases Reviewed: is defined as the total number of cases that have been submitted to the unit.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

ORS 418.747 Interagency teams for investigation; duties; training; method of investigation; fatality review process. (1) The district attorney in each county shall be responsible for developing interagency and multidisciplinary teams to consist of but not be limited to law enforcement personnel, Department of Human Services child protective service workers, school officials, county health department personnel, child abuse intervention center workers, if available, and juvenile department representatives, as well as others specially trained in child abuse, child sexual abuse and rape of children investigation.

Revenue/Expense Detail

| | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Program Expenses | 2006 | 2006 | 2007 | 2007 |
| Personnel | \$630,186 | \$132,457 | \$654,029 | \$134,201 |
| Contracts | \$14,805 | \$280,149 | \$25,500 | \$524,242 |
| Materials & Supplies | \$4,666 | \$60,000 | \$7,744 | \$59,780 |
| Internal Services | \$82,505 | \$29,094 | \$70,847 | \$35,911 |
| Subtotal: Direct Exps: | \$732,162 | \$501,700 | \$758,120 | \$754,134 |
| Administration | \$0 | \$0 | \$41,597 | \$0 |
| Program Support | \$0 | \$0 | \$111,016 | \$0 |
| Subtotal: Other Exps: | \$0 | \$0 | \$152,613 | \$0 |
| Total GF/non-GF: | \$732,162 | \$501,700 | \$910,733 | \$754,134 |
| Program Total: | \$1,233,862 | | \$1,664,867 | |
| Program FTE | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5.00 | 2.00 |
| Program Revenues | | | | |
| Indirect for dep't Admin | \$20,822 | \$0 | \$20,022 | \$0 |
| Intergovernmental | \$0 | \$501,700 | \$0 | \$754,134 |
| Program Revenue for Admin | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Total Revenue: | \$20,822 | \$501,700 | \$20,022 | \$754,134 |

Explanation of Revenues

Projected CAMI revenue in FY07 is \$754,134 of which at least \$524,242 will be passed thru to outside program partners.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #15015, Child Abuse Team (MDT)