

Priority: Basic Needs **Lead Agency:** County Human Services
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating **Program Contact:** Nancy Winters
Related Programs: 25062, 25063, 25065, 25068, 25070, 25072A, 25073A, 25074, 25076A

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Additional mental health services are needed in six identified ethnic communities. These communities are African Immigrant, African American, Asian, Slavic/Eastern European Immigrant, Latino and Native American. This funding is designed to support the delivery of programs and services by expanding current infrastructure and capacity so that these populations have access to culturally appropriate mental health services.

Program Description

The data indicates that the six communities have different service needs; the Asian and Latino communities are underserved based on data from the 2004 census estimate and the Client Process Monitoring System (CPMS) for mental health. And from the same data the Native Americans and African Americans utilize more outpatient services, have a higher prevalence of severe mental illness and access higher levels of care. The African and Slavic/Eastern European communities are represented in the data as either African American or White. The State required CPMS data does not ask for place of birth or language spoken at home. Effective mental health services must be provided by culturally competent staff and be integrated with public health and other social services considered acceptable to the community.

Continued funding would provide the expansion of culturally appropriate mental health services. The funding would increase the capacity to secure other funding from Medicare and Medicaid to serve the communities that have access to these two different coverage plans. The RFP selection process will involve community participation

Program Justification

This program offer links to the Basic Living Needs priorities by increasing access to culturally competent mental health treatment for individuals whose needs are not met by the existing provider system. The identified service gaps and barriers to getting mental health treatment are addressed by ensuring that culturally competent services and programs are adequately funded. If individuals perceive that the providers capable of providing these services understand their specific needs, then they will feel more comfortable about accessing treatment before they experience a mental health crisis that may require costly acute care. This program is aligned with the Poverty Elimination Framework, by providing adequate health care to underserved individuals and families. By providing competent and coordinated health services for children is this program also inclusive of the Early Childhood Framework.

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	Total Culturally Diverse Adults & Children Receiving Mental Health Services *1	3,837	3,837	3,837	4,000
Outcome	Culturally Specific Persons Served Per 1000 Culturally Diverse Population *2	20	20	20	21
Outcome	African American EHold Rate Per 1000 African American County Residents *3	7	0	7	6

Performance Measure - Description

*1 All persons receiving publicly funded mental health services are entered into State CPMS data regardless of payor. Total count served is taken from CPMS.

*2 Served Rate Per 1000 Calculation

Numerator: Total unduplicated culturally diverse individuals served

Denominator: Total county census for similar groups for 2005 taken from US Census Data.

*3 African Americans are involuntarily hospitalized five times more frequently than Asians or Latinos.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

This is a Multnomah County Board initiative.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2006	2006	2007	2007
Contracts	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$0
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$0
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$39,248	\$0
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$113,596	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$152,844	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,152,844	\$0
Program Total:	\$1,000,000		\$1,152,844	
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

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #25101, Culturally Specific Mental Health Services