

Priority: Accountability
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs:

Lead Agency: Health Department
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Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Vital Records program produces birth and death certificates in accordance with federal and state statutes to maintain the integrity and accuracy of birth and death information. The information is analyzed to provide essential public health information that can be used to plan prevention and intervention activities for positive health outcomes.

Program Description

Birth and Death Certification: Multnomah County is responsible for issuing birth and death certificates within the first six months after the birth or death, or within 24-hours of receipt of a request for a certificate. Death certificates can be issued to family members, legal representatives, government agencies, or to the person or agency with personal or property rights. Birth records can be released to immediate family including grandparents, parents, brothers/sisters, legal representatives or government agencies. Employees working in this program are registered with the state.

Program Justification

The Vital Records Program addresses the Accountability strategy of providing reliable information for decision-making in public health. Populations at risk for poor health outcomes can be identified for the provision of proactive interventions. Vital Records assures accurate, timely and confidential registration of birth and death events minimizing the opportunity for identity theft and assuring accurate record of cause of death and identification of parents of the child born.

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 birth and death certificates issued | 32,634 | 0 | 31,968 | 32,000 |
| Outcome | Infants of hepatitis B carrier in mothers who receive Hep B vaccine | 77 | 0 | 43 | 74 |
| Quality | Percentage of certificates requiring edits that are made error free | 0% | 0% | 100% | 100% |
| Efficiency | Average number of days to issue certificates | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 |

Performance Measure - Description

Infants of hepatitis B carrier mothers immunized: Infant immunization activities are directly related to timely and accurate provision of birth record data to the Communicable Disease Program. Prevention of hepatitis B is critical as hepatitis B infected individuals have a 30% lifetime risk of liver cancer. Note: Current year drop reflects change in reporting methodology.

Certificates issued: measures program volume

Certificates made error free: 20-30% of pre-issue certificates contain missing or erroneous data that is corrected before issuance.

Days to issue: Measures rapidity of issuance process.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Legal mandates are ORS 97, 146, 432; OAR 830 and 333.

Revenue/Expense Detail

| | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Program Expenses | 2006 | 2006 | 2007 | 2007 |
| Personnel | \$0 | \$349,980 | \$0 | \$283,312 |
| Contracts | \$0 | \$13,780 | \$0 | \$10,200 |
| Materials & Supplies | \$0 | \$22,550 | \$0 | \$37,392 |
| Internal Services | \$0 | \$81,098 | \$0 | \$67,198 |
| Subtotal: Direct Exps: | \$0 | \$467,408 | \$0 | \$398,102 |
| Administration | \$0 | \$0 | \$6,359 | \$0 |
| Program Support | \$0 | \$0 | \$50,534 | \$10,660 |
| Subtotal: Other Exps: | \$0 | \$0 | \$56,893 | \$10,660 |
| Total GF/non-GF: | \$0 | \$467,408 | \$56,893 | \$408,762 |
| Program Total: | \$467,408 | | \$465,655 | |
| Program FTE | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.60 |
| Program Revenues | | | | |
| Indirect for dep't Admin | \$27,933 | \$0 | \$28,732 | \$0 |
| Fees, Permits & Charges | \$0 | \$497,465 | \$0 | \$398,102 |
| Program Revenue for Admin | \$0 | \$0 | \$15,000 | \$10,660 |
| Total Revenue: | \$27,933 | \$497,465 | \$43,732 | \$408,762 |

Explanation of Revenues**Significant Program Changes**

Last year this program was: #40017, Vital Records