

Priority: Basic Needs
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs:

Lead Agency: Health Department
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Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Children's Assessment Services (CAS) provides comprehensive physical exams for children who, due to abuse or neglect, are in custody of the state. CAS also provides services to children residing at the Children's Receiving Center (CRC). Most clients are under 5 years old; eligibility continues to age 18. Many of the children have had no recent medical or dental care and suffer from untreated medical problems. CAS provides support, coordination and intervention to some of our county's most vulnerable members.

Program Description

Children in DHS custody are referred to CAS for a comprehensive medical exam. Oregon Health Plan is available to children in standard foster care; children in relative custody often do not have health care coverage. A summary of findings and concerns is shared with DHS and the child's primary care medical provider. The foster parent receives a visit summary documenting recommend referrals and resources. Services are coordinated with the Children's Receiving Center (CRC); staff provides assessment for children in CRC care within 24 hours of admission. Children with concerns of sexual abuse are referred to CARES NW for a complete forensic exam. Education and resources are provided to caretakers; referrals are made to Morrison Center for mental health evaluation and treatment, children 0-3 years of age are referred to Early Intervention for developmental concerns (social, behavioral or emotional), and referrals are made to other services as needs indicate. By identifying and addressing health concerns early, long-term problems can often be prevented. Prevention or early treatment of health problems reduces long-term health care costs and supports children's development into productive adults.

Program Justification

CAS provides safety net services for children suffering from abuse or neglect. Comprehensive examination is the basis for referral to needed services. CAS is unique in its focus on collection of medical history for children in foster care and coordination of care with community partners. Care providers receive education including a take-home "to-do" list and children are referred to needed resources. Medical evaluation, coordination of services with CRC and CARES NW, and communication with DHS are distinguishing program features. CAS addresses Basic Living Needs strategies related to the provision of access to care and services for this vulnerable population.

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	Medical visits provided	740	600	775	1,100
Outcome	Children are updated with required vaccines*	0%	0%	75%	85%

Performance Measure - Description

*Children housed at the CRC comprise 20% of the 740 visits provided in FY05, children in foster care placements made up 80% of the children served.

**Children often arrive at CAS without a current vaccine record.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2006	2006	2007	2007
Personnel	\$125,240	\$123,692	\$98,864	\$180,457
Contracts	\$2,766	\$2,732	\$1,267	\$2,314
Materials & Supplies	\$4,392	\$4,342	\$2,901	\$5,295
Internal Services	\$35,090	\$44,317	\$24,969	\$60,434
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$167,488	\$175,083	\$128,001	\$248,500
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$6,014	\$0
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$21,012	\$1,495
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$27,026	\$1,495
Total GF/non-GF:	\$167,488	\$175,083	\$155,027	\$249,995
Program Total:	\$342,571		\$405,022	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	1.05	2.05
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$8,825	\$0	\$10,272	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$175,080	\$0	\$248,500
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,495
Total Revenue:	\$8,825	\$175,080	\$10,272	\$249,995

Explanation of Revenues

Medicaid billing revenue for medical services provides the other income to support this program.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #40049, Children's Assessment Services at the Children's Receiving Center