

Priority: Basic Needs
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs: 25055, 25056A

Lead Agency: County Human Services
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Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

This program serves severely mentally ill individuals who are at risk of hospitalization but are uninsured and ineligible for Oregon Health Plan (OHP). The community-based treatment model avoids hospitalization and other crisis services. It addresses immediate health and safety concerns until insurance or OHP coverage is obtained. Program provided mental health treatment to 1,203 adults and medication to 465 adults in FY 06.

Program Description

These funds support a menu of services for the severely mentally ill. The Mental Health and Addiction Services Division (MHASD) treats these uninsured persons during periods of aggravated symptoms. The goal is to stabilize these persons and prevent more drastic consequences including hospitalization, homelessness, incarceration, and addiction relapse. If these services are effective, the client is spared a prolonged period of instability and the County preserves funds that would otherwise be lost to the high-cost alternatives.

Since these funds are limited, MHASD's Call Center (offer #25055) evaluates each event for clinical necessity, choice of intervention, and financial eligibility. Services include individual and group therapy, intensive case management, community outreach, housing assistance, medication management, dual diagnosis treatment, care coordination and crisis intervention. While in service, the person can be linked to other supports and acquire assistance in securing OHP benefits and healthcare through the Multnomah County Health Department.

In the next year MHASD is focusing on collaboration within the Division and with other Departments to make better use of these limited dollars. Currently, a joint pharmacy project is being explored with the Health Department. Internally, MHASD is exploring opportunities to merge mental health and addictions funding.

Program Justification

This program links directly to the Basic Living Needs priority by ensuring that individuals who are severely mentally ill have access to healthcare and medication necessary to remain stable and avoid a mental health crisis. The program prioritizes support and intensive case management to the most vulnerable individuals. This program fits the Poverty Elimination Framework by providing necessary social services and ensuring adequate mental health coverage.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY05-06)	Current Year Purchased (FY06-07)	Current Year Estimate (FY06-07)	Next Year Offer (FY07-08)
Output	Total number of uninsured adults who received County-funded outpatient services*1	1,203	1,220	1,204	1,220
Outcome	Average emergency-hold hospitalizations per uninsured adult served*2	4	16	4	4
Output	Total individuals receiving County medication funding.*3	465	825	453	500

Performance Measure - Description

*1 Unduplicated uninsured adults with at least one County-funded outpatient mental health service during the measurement period.

*2 Total number of emergency holds divided by the sum of 1 and 3. FY 06/07 purchased amount was originally put in as an estimate for a new measure. The amount of this original estimate has since been shown to be too high.

*3 Unduplicated uninsured adults who received at least one County-funded medication prescription during the measurement period.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
	2007	2007	2008	2008
Program Expenses				
Contracts	\$2,037,976	\$0	\$2,037,976	\$0
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$2,037,976	\$0	\$2,037,976	\$0
Administration	\$79,987	\$0	\$129,208	\$0
Program Support	\$231,505	\$0	\$310,322	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$311,492	\$0	\$439,530	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$2,349,468	\$0	\$2,477,506	\$0
Program Total:	\$2,349,468		\$2,477,506	
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: #25063, Mental Health Treatment and Medication for the Uninsured