

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

**Lead Agency:** County Human Services  
**Program Contact:** Sandy Haffey

**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

The Waitlist Reduction Program provides Intensive Case Management (ICM) for patients transitioning from acute care and the State Hospital to the community, facilitating prevention of re-hospitalization. The Waitlist Reduction Program funds four Emergency Liasons with Project Respond who provide for diversion of patients from acute care hospitalization, decreasing County expenditures and increasing patient independence. ICM served 85 clients and Emergency Liasons diverted 158 consumers from hospitalization in FY05-06.

**Program Description**

The Waitlist Reduction Program provides funding for Intensive Case Management (ICM) for patients discharging from the State Hospital, Telecare Recovery Center and local acute care, psychiatric hospitals. ICM staff provide resources and assistance in obtaining housing, access to health care, social services and outpatient mental health services. The Waitlist Reduction Program also provides funding for four Emergency Liason Staff with Project Respond to assist with safe diversion from Acute Care Hospital Emergency Departments. Both program components decrease use of limited crisis and inpatient psychiatric resources and increase client independence. Emergency Liason staff reduce the number of indigent individuals placed Emergency Psychiatric Holds, reducing cost to the County. All staff facilitate the education and involvement of family and caregivers.

**Program Justification**

All elements of this program link to the Basic Living Needs priority, the Poverty Elimination Framework and 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness, by ensuring Intervention and Service Coordination in the provision of housing and comprehensive community supports and services, by providing direct connection to stable, affordable housing and adequate, appropriate crisis services to stabilize consumers quickly. Emergency Liasons decrease unnecessary hospitalization of mentally ill clients in limited, acute care hospital, psychiatric beds, effectively decreasing the financial responsibility of the County as payor of last resort for the indigent. There are links to the Safety Team priority by providing for client and community safety through staff monitoring of client's mental and physical health.

**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	Number of patients referred & accepted to Oregon State Hospital	173	140	140	150
Outcome	Average daily number on the the Oregon State Hospital Waitlist	10	12	9	9
Outcome	Average Length of Stay (days) on Oregon State Hospital Waitlist	20	23	23	20

**Performance Measure - Description**

Measure tracks number of Multnomah County patients referred and accepted to the State Hospital, the average number of patients on the waitlist and the average length of stay before being moved from an acute care hospital to the State Hospital.

## Legal/Contractual Obligation

These are State dollars provided with the specific purpose of reducing the number of Multnomah County residents on the State Hospital waitlist for admission.

## Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
	2007	2007	2008	2008
<b>Program Expenses</b>				
Contracts	\$0	\$390,000	\$0	\$522,948
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$390,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$522,948</b>
Administration	\$0	\$13,237	\$0	\$18,723
Program Support	\$0	\$19,269	\$0	\$11,505
Subtotal: Other Exps:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$32,506</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$30,228</b>
Total GF/non-GF:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$422,506</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$553,176</b>
Program Total:	<b>\$422,506</b>		<b>\$553,176</b>	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$390,000	\$0	\$522,948
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$32,506	\$0	\$30,228
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$422,506</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$553,176</b>

## Explanation of Revenues

\$522,948 from State Mental Health Grant Award - estimated 07-09 biennium contract.

## Significant Program Changes

✔ Significantly Changed

**Last year this program was:** #25064, State Hospital Waitlist Reduction Program

One program component from FY05-06, the three skills trainers for Prescott Terrace, has been discontinued, as it was funded with one-time only dollars. A second program component, a mental health consultant dedicated to discharge planning for Multnomah County Residents residing at the State Hospital, has been moved to the Commitment Monitor/Discharge Planners Program Offer (#25059).