

Priority: Accountability

Lead Agency: Health Department

Program Offer Type: Support

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Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Community Health Council (CHC) is a community-based planning body that facilitates community involvement in quality assurance, public policy advocacy, and management accountability for the Health Department. The Coalition of Community Health Clinics and its 14 member clinics continue to play an instrumental role in serving individuals who are un/underinsured in Multnomah County. The Multnomah County Health Department's indemnification program screens and indemnifies volunteer health professionals for Coalition clinics.

Program Description

The Community Health Council (CHC) serves as the Health Department's community advisory board, offering an entry point for residents across the county to give input about how the County can better meet the health needs of the community. The Council acts as the Department's Citizen Budget Advisory Committee, required by County Charter. The Coalition of Community Health Clinics provides coordination, collaboration and synergy of resources between 14 independent non-profit clinics. In 2005-06, Coalition clinics provided care to over 181,000 individuals – a 68% increase from 2004-05. The MCHD health care professional indemnification program partners with the Coalition to provide qualified volunteer medical professionals to member clinics.

Program Justification

The Council plays a critical role in assuring access to health care for our most vulnerable residents; and serves as the governing board required by the federal Bureau of Primary Health Care to provide oversight of policies and programs within the scope of the Primary Care Grant. 55% of Council members are county residents who use MCHD's clinical services, participation on the Council allows them to better understand and influence how the County works. The CHC's role as the Citizen Budget Advisory Committee is mandated by County Charter. Funding for the Council has leveraged millions of dollars of local, state, and federal revenue for the County, increasing access to services for vulnerable populations. County funding for Coalition of Community Health Clinic's infrastructure fuels the engine that leverages community health care resources: \$466,226 in additional funds were raised by the Coalition in 2006. The County Health Department's indemnification program for volunteer health care professionals leveraged 22,283 coalition clinic volunteer hours with an estimated dollar value of \$810,000 in 2005-2006. The County's support of the Coalition infrastructure and the MCHD indemnification program assures access to clinical care for many County residents lacking the financial resources to meet their health needs. The CHC and the Coalition contribute to outcomes in the poverty framework by leveraging citizen and community engagement in health care advocacy, decision making and provision of services for vulnerable county citizens.

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	# volunteer hours	0	0	22,835	22,883
Outcome	#/uninsured patients seen Health Department	20,723	20,101	19,085	19,500
Output	# meetings held	88	83	36	36
Outcome	#/under/uninsured patients seen CCHC clinics	181,000	0	181,000	181,000

Performance Measure - Description

Percentage of consumers involved FY05/06 included HIV Planning Council which is no longer a part of this program offer. CHC meetings held 24 CCHC meetings held 12. # participants measure was dropped since other measures reflect amount of citizen and community involvement. The Health Department represents about 95.4% of all the users within the scope of the 330 grant. The estimated number of uninsured for FY05-06 using the UDS definition of coverage is 20,005/0.954=19,085.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

The CHC's role as the Citizen Budget Advisory Committee is mandated by County Charter. The Health Dept has a contractual relationship with Coalition clinics to build capacity, ensure quality, and leverage funds.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
	2007	2007	2008	2008
Program Expenses				
Personnel	\$197,911	\$6,277	\$101,999	\$4,807
Contracts	\$83,778	\$310,365	\$119,874	\$22,671
Materials & Supplies	\$27,722	\$256	\$7,980	\$85
Internal Services	\$13,038	\$9,102	\$8,181	\$2,437
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$322,449	\$326,000	\$238,034	\$30,000
Administration	\$13,113	\$0	\$4,512	\$0
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$13,113	\$0	\$4,512	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$335,562	\$326,000	\$242,546	\$30,000
Program Total:	\$661,562		\$272,546	
Program FTE	1.00	2.95	1.33	0.07
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$4,891	\$0	\$1,751	\$0
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$326,000	\$0	\$0
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30,000
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$4,891	\$326,000	\$1,751	\$30,000

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #40007, Citizen and Community Involvement and Governance

The Ryan White Planning Council is no longer a part of this program offer. Ryan White Care Act Title 1 federal grant was reauthorized December 2006. Changes included new administrative structure, placing the HIV Planning Council under HIV Care Services. The HIV Planning Council budget and program are now included in the Care Services budget and program offer 40022.