

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

Lead Agency: County Human Services
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Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Aging and Disability Services Long Term Care program determines eligibility for financial, food, and medical and case management services for 36,551 low-income seniors and persons with disabilities. Case-managed clients meet state criteria for nursing home care. Case managers help clients with living and service options that promote and maintain their independence outside of a nursing home.

Program Description

Under contract with the State, the Long Term Care program (LTC) determines eligibility and enrolls seniors and people with disabilities in programs to meet basic health, financial and nutritional needs, such as the Oregon Health Plan, Medicaid and Food Stamp programs. Clients receive counseling to help them choose managed care and Medicare Part D plans. The program provides referrals to community resources to address other critical needs. These vulnerable adults typically have incomes below the poverty level and include individuals with a mental illness or a developmental disability.

More intensive case management is provided to 5,783 seniors and people with disabilities each month who meet state criteria for nursing home care due to the need for help with daily self-care tasks for such things as mobility, eating and toileting. A primary goal of case management is to help promote and support independent living in the community, preventing or minimizing more costly nursing home care wherever possible. Oregon is one of only five states nationally that has more than 50% of its nursing home eligible population living in the community.

Case managers assess clients' needs, create care plans, and authorize, coordinate and monitor services. They ensure early intervention and effective management of the complex and fluctuating care needs of this high-risk population. Nurses provide consultation to case managers to ensure appropriate care planning for medically complicated and unstable cases. They support caregivers and provide wellness counseling/education and disease management for clients to optimize health. Collaboration with other professionals, divisions, and community agencies is an essential aspect of this program.

Program Justification

This program provides essential services for vulnerable seniors and people with disabilities who can't meet their basic needs without this help. Eligibility is determined. Federal and state financial and medical benefits are issued. Clients are linked with community resources to address critical unmet needs. Case managers play a vital role in helping long term care clients live independently at home and delay or avoid more costly nursing home care. They work in partnership with clients to develop service plans that address health and welfare risks in the least restrictive environment. Case managers provide access to a full continuum of professional and supportive services designed to address the diverse and individual needs of clients. The growth of the aging population, particularly those 85+ who are at most risk of needing long term care services, will continue to increase the demand and social significance of services offered through this program.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY06-07)	Current Year Purchased (FY07-08)	Current Year Estimate (FY07-08)	Next Year Offer (FY08-09)
Output	Avg monthly nursing home eligible clients receiving long term care assistance ¹	5,783	0	5,700	5,700
Outcome	Nursing home eligible clients served in the community vs. nursing home	80.3%	80.3%	79.2%	80.0%

Performance Measure - Description

 **Measure Changed**

¹Measure changed to reflect average monthly clients served; Annual unduplicated client counts for LTC program components no longer available through the State.

Measures removed:

- "Clients receiving medical, financial and food assistance:" FY07 36,551; FY08 Purchased 33,088; FY08 Estimate 36,550
- "Clients reporting "I received the help I needed:" FY07 New; FY08 Purchased 80%; FY08 Estimate 94%
- "# and % Pre-Admission Screens done by nurses:" FY07 458/New; FY08 Purchased 510/42%; FY08 Estimate 490/40.6%

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Section 1903(a) of the Social Security Act, 42 CFR–Medicaid Administration; 7 CFR–Food Stamps; Sections 1915c and 1115 of Title XIX of the Social Security Act. All Oregon Administrative rules related to and governing programs administered by Aging and Disability Services.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
	2008	2008	2009	2009
Program Expenses				
Personnel	\$0	\$14,930,307	\$0	\$16,308,275
Contracts	\$1,952,492	\$124,179	\$1,610,372	\$124,909
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$267,630	\$0	\$382,827
Internal Services	\$0	\$3,856,201	\$0	\$4,110,167
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$1,952,492	\$19,178,317	\$1,610,372	\$20,926,178
Administration	\$77,657	\$557,122	\$54,895	\$737,117
Program Support	\$228,900	\$374,494	\$112,282	\$722,714
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$306,557	\$931,616	\$167,177	\$1,459,831
Total GF/non-GF:	\$2,259,049	\$20,109,933	\$1,777,549	\$22,386,009
Program Total:	\$22,368,982		\$24,163,558	
Program FTE	0.00	199.40	0.00	216.09
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$377,185	\$0	\$348,851	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$19,007,583	\$0	\$20,823,339
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$170,734	\$0	\$179,676
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$931,616	\$0	\$1,459,831
Total Revenue:	\$377,185	\$20,109,933	\$348,851	\$22,462,846

Explanation of Revenues

State allocated Medicaid; Additional federal Medicaid funds are generated by a match expenditure of local non-federal funds, mostly County General Fund, at a current match rate of 48% local to 52% federal. The Legislatively Approved Budget (LAB) for the FY07-09 biennium provides Medicaid Equity for Area Agencies on Aging and Disability, funding local governments at 90% of State costs; it does not include funding for local cost differential requiring local match to continue at current service level. 100% of the \$1,610,372 County General Funds are matched.

Significant Program Changes

✔ Significantly Changed

Last year this program was: #25023A, ADS Long Term Care

This program offer combines 25023A and 25023B from FY08. The FY07-09 LAB provided equity relief for locally administered Medicaid programs. Additional funds are used to add positions in LTC to reduce caseloads and provide needed technical and clerical support including 8.7 FTE through a pending budget modification (2.7 Case Manager 1; 2.0 Office Assistant 2, 1.0 Case Manager Sr; 2.0 Program Coordinator, 1.0 Program Manager 1) and 5.0 FTE in FY09 (3.0 Office Assistant 2; 2.0 Case Manager 1). In addition, ADS is receiving new funds from the State for a transition team to decrease nursing facility placements. Four LTC positions will be added in FY08 to staff this relocation/diversion effort (2.0 Case Manager Sr; 1.0 Case Management Assistant; 1.0 Program Supervisor).