

**Priority:** Basic Needs

**Lead Agency:** County Human Services

**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating

**Program Contact:** Mary Shortall

**Related Programs:**

**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

The Adult Care Home Program (ACHP) licenses more than 585 adult care homes in Multnomah County. The ACHP trains, monitors and when necessary sanctions providers. The homes (providing 24 hour supervision and care) are licensed under state law and county ordinance. The homes serve approximately 2,591 vulnerable elderly and disabled individuals and provide a homelike alternative to the more expensive nursing home setting.

**Program Description**

The Adult Care Home Program is charged with licensing more than 585 adult care homes and ensuring that vulnerable residents are cared for in a homelike atmosphere which is friendly, safe and secure. All program providers are expected to follow the Multnomah County Administrative Rules (MCAR's). Each individual living in an adult care home is to be treated respectfully and receive quality care. The ACHP program staff monitors and inspects each home at least once a year to ensure that residents receive necessary care, including personal care, nutrition, physical safety, nursing care and medication management. Program monitors also observe interactions in the home ensuring residents are provided with social and recreational activities. When problems are found, this program takes corrective action. Frequent monitoring reduces the risk of abuse and neglect in these homes.

The ACHP program staff provides technical assistance to providers and enforces verbal/written sanctions or fines when there are serious deficits. All homes are licensed annually.

**Program Justification**

This program offer links directly to Basic Living Needs Priority strategies by ensuring care for seniors and people with disabilities and offering a care alternative that is affordable and prevents impoverishment.

**Offers Affordable Long Term Care:** Adult Care Homes provide quality long-term care options for frail elderly and people with disabilities desiring to live in the community. Without this option, many frail and elderly individuals would be placed in a more costly nursing home with an average statewide cost of approximately \$6,000 per month. By contrast, the average statewide monthly Medicaid cost in an adult care home is \$1,491, saving taxpayers thousands of dollars every year. Finally, without these homes the quality of life would be diminished for both Medicaid and private pay residents.

**Provides Access to Care:** Adult Foster Homes provide assistance with medication management and with activities of daily living such as: dressing, bathing and personal hygiene, meal preparation, assistance with eating, daily housekeeping and laundry. All care services provided by Adult Foster Homes are monitored by the Adult Care Home Program to ensure appropriateness and safety.

**Supports Economic Development:** Adult Care Homes are small businesses. The industry generates approximately \$23 million yearly in Multnomah County and employs about 1,500 people.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY07-08)	Current Year Purchased (FY08-09)	Current Year Estimate (FY08-09)	Next Year Offer (FY09-10)
Output	Number of Adult Care Homes licensed and inspected yearly	565	565	585	590
Outcome	Adult Care Homes found in compliance with MCAR's	90.0%	92.0%	91.2%	90.0%
Quality	Residents satisfied or very satisfied with services <sup>1</sup>	0.0%	90.0%	89.0%	0.0%
Efficiency	Adult Care Home/Nursing Home cost efficiency ratio <sup>2</sup>	22.3%	22.3%	24.1%	24.1%

**Performance Measure - Description**

<sup>1</sup>Collected by survey conducted every two years by Portland State University. Resident satisfaction increased from 84% in FY 06-07 to 89% in FY 08-09 year.

<sup>2</sup>Ratio = Adult Care Home cost as a % of Nursing Home cost. Lower % indicates better performance.

## Legal/Contractual Obligation

Multnomah County has a contract with the State of Oregon to administer the licensing and training functions of Adult Care Homes. The Board of County Commissioners passed Multnomah County Resolution § 23.600 - § 23.999 establishing the Adult Care Home Program.

## Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
<b>Program Expenses</b>	2009	2009	2010	2010
Personnel	\$19,177	\$1,016,507	\$21,420	\$1,049,521
Contracts	\$29,970	\$365,780	\$40,714	\$346,612
Materials & Supplies	\$691	\$33,849	\$715	\$35,623
Internal Services	\$2,831	\$183,644	\$3,279	\$195,849
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	<b>\$52,669</b>	<b>\$1,599,780</b>	<b>\$66,128</b>	<b>\$1,627,605</b>
Administration	\$1,795	\$53,449	\$2,080	\$55,412
Program Support	\$3,672	\$52,404	\$5,117	\$53,164
Subtotal: Other Exps:	<b>\$5,467</b>	<b>\$105,853</b>	<b>\$7,197</b>	<b>\$108,576</b>
Total GF/non-GF:	<b>\$58,136</b>	<b>\$1,705,633</b>	<b>\$73,325</b>	<b>\$1,736,181</b>
Program Total:	<b>\$1,763,769</b>		<b>\$1,809,506</b>	
Program FTE	0.24	12.76	0.25	12.25
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$20,449	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$296,000	\$0	\$296,000
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$1,226,943	\$0	\$1,331,605
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$20,449</b>	<b>\$1,522,943</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,627,605</b>

## Explanation of Revenues

Title XIX - \$1,331,605  
ACHP License Fees - \$234,000  
ACHP Conference Fees - \$10,000  
ACHP - Misc Fees - \$7,000  
ACHP Fines - \$45,000  
County General Fund Match - \$39,681  
County General Fund Subsidy - \$26,447

## Significant Program Changes

**Last year this program was:** #25022A, ADS Adult Care Home Program

Program Offer reflects the Governor's Recommended Budget reductions to Medicaid. Because of state Medicaid funding reductions, the Adult Care Home Program will lose .5 Program Development Technician position.