

Priority: Basic Needs

Lead Agency: County Human Services

Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

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Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Aging and Disability Services Long Term Care program determines eligibility for financial, nutritional, medical and case management services for 31,900 low-income seniors and persons with disabilities. Case-managed clients meet state criteria for nursing home care. Case managers help over 4,600 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, by such means as the Oregon Health Plan, Medicaid and Food Stamp programs. Clients receive counseling to help them choose the most appropriate 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 6,241 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 such 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 (Multnomah County is 80%).

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 cannot meet basic needs without this help. Case managers link clients with federal, state, and community resources to address critical unmet needs, serving 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 needs of culturally diverse clients. The growth both in numbers and diversity 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 importance of services offered through this program.

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	Avg monthly # of nursing home eligible clients receiving long term care asst. ¹	5,869	5,700	6,241	4,623
Outcome	Ratio of nursing home eligible clients served in the community vs. nursing home	77.7%	80.0%	80.0%	81.0%

Performance Measure - Description

¹ The reduction in this year's offer reflects the reduction in the Governor's Recommended Budget. These clients are te subset that are eligible for long term care supports.

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
Program Expenses	2009	2009	2010	2010
Personnel	\$0	\$16,308,275	\$0	\$17,024,373
Contracts	\$1,610,372	\$124,909	\$1,754,524	\$128,244
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$382,827	\$0	\$312,512
Internal Services	\$0	\$4,110,167	\$0	\$3,929,612
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$1,610,372	\$20,926,178	\$1,754,524	\$21,394,741
Administration	\$54,895	\$737,117	\$55,187	\$704,142
Program Support	\$112,282	\$722,714	\$135,770	\$675,580
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$167,177	\$1,459,831	\$190,957	\$1,379,722
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,777,549	\$22,386,009	\$1,945,481	\$22,774,463
Program Total:	\$24,163,558		\$24,719,944	
Program FTE	0.00	216.10	0.00	215.10
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$348,851	\$0	\$2,642	\$0
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$19,743
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$20,823,339	\$0	\$20,711,284
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$179,676	\$0	\$97,525
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$348,851	\$21,003,015	\$2,642	\$20,828,552

Explanation of Revenues

Title XIX - \$20,711,284

County General Fund Match - \$1,754,524 (Match rate of 48% local to 52% federal).

Contractor Rentals - \$19,743

Providence Medical Ctr - \$126,145

OHSU CM Grant - \$97,525

Significant Program Changes

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

Program Offer reflects the Governor's Recommended Budget reductions to Medicaid. Long Term Care program will reduce staffing by 4 FTE: 2 Community Health Nurse and 1.5 Office Assistant 2 positions.

Additional Local 88 positions were funded using funds made available by Local 88's approval of a wage freeze for FY 2010.