

Lead Agency: Health Department

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Corrections Health Multnomah County Inverness Jail houses 919 medically stable men, women, inmate workers for inside and outside work crews, sentenced individuals and those awaiting trial. Over 170 USM detainees are housed in the system daily. Providing health care to detained individuals is the responsibility of Corrections Health. MCIJ health personnel care for all those detainees transferred from MCDC for stable housing until disposition of their legal process is complete. Sentenced and unsentenced detainees have a plan of care in place to maintain treatment of their health conditions in order to prevent emergencies, pain and suffering which is the constitutional measure of quality care. Trained, skilled professional staff provides effective screening, illness identification, evaluation and effective, targeted treatment through a system of policies and procedures that reflect the standard of care in the community and equal to other correctional facilities across the country. Over 35,000 individuals are cared for each year with over 60% having health conditions, such as diabetes, kidney failure, infections, alcohol and drug withdrawal and mental illnesses.

Program Description

Corrections Health provides a variety of health, mental health, and dental services to 489 men and women in Dorms 1-10 at MCIJ. Diverse staff work 24/7 to provide evaluation, treatment, referral, medication management, emergency response, communicable disease identification, and suicide prevention. Inside and outside inmate workers are monitored by health for ability to work, injuries and medication management when out of the facility. Chronic disease monitoring is key to prevent hospitalizations for clients with diabetes, hypertension, seizures, heart disease and infections. Special orthopedic and OB/GYN clinics support in jail care. In partnership with custody staff, health responds to emergencies and screens for communicable diseases to keep everyone safe. This health care is delivered effectively through providing the right care in the right setting.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY08-09)	Current Year Purchased (FY09-10)	Current Year Estimate (FY09-10)	Next Year Offer (FY10-11)
Output	Avg # of inmate medical requests for care evaluated by the Triage Nurse monthly	937	900	951	1,000
Outcome	% of medical requests that are resolved by RN staff	0.0%	60.0%	67.0%	75.0%

Performance Measure - Description

FY10-11 performance measures reflect the entire facility.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

From the US Supreme Court to the Oregon State Revised Statutes, necessary health care for incarcerated individuals is a right because they have lost their freedom to obtain care on their own. Access to care, an evaluation by a health professional and a right to receive care that is ordered is mandated by the 4th, 8th and 14th amendments. When serious health needs are not addressed by professionals, deliberate indifference to medical needs bring harm to individuals entrusted to our care. Corrections Health is bound by ethical standards to provide unbiased care to all individuals.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2010	2010	2011	2011
Personnel	\$987,133	\$0	\$922,693	\$0
Contracts	\$236,727	\$0	\$159,210	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$83,935	\$0	\$74,362	\$0
Internal Services	\$111,406	\$0	\$90,756	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,419,201	\$0	\$1,247,021	\$0
Program Total:	\$1,419,201		\$1,247,021	
Program FTE	8.90	0.00	8.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$0	\$11,201	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$27,165	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$27,165	\$0	\$11,201	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

As a result of the laws that govern the responsibilities of governmental agencies in the care of detained individuals, Corrections Health is unable to bill for services from 3rd party payers, insurance companies, Medicare etc. A co-pay system is in place that charges the inmate accounts for a nominal fee for evaluations, clinic visits and medications. Many treatments, screenings, diagnostics tests and communicable diseases are at no charge to the individuals in order to provide safety.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #40051A, Corrections Health MCIJ Dorms 10, 11, 18
Mental health care has been redesigned to concentrate all services at MCDC with MCIJ housing those stable on medications. These changes will continue with more improvements in early evaluation of needs, stabilization of serious mental illness and planning for release for more individuals. A component of transition planning assists very ill individuals to have a plan of care when they leave jail to provide continued success for re-entry and reduce recidivism.