

Lead Agency: County Human Services

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Early Assessment and Support Alliance (EASA) is an early psychosis intervention program addressing the needs of young persons aged 15-25 who demonstrate initial symptoms of psychosis, with the goal of managing long-term problems and consequences. EASA offers formal psychiatric treatment services as well as vocational and educational support, and involves the young person's family in treatment. The program will provide services for approximately 82 clients, an increase of 6.5% from the previous year.

Program Description

The EASA team identifies young people experiencing the first episodes of psychosis and offers them a broad array of individualized treatment avenues and community-based care. Services include assessment, treatment planning, case management, medication management, psycho-educational workshops, multi-family groups, occupational assessments and interventions, and assistance with accessing supported employment and educational opportunities. These services are provided by a multidisciplinary team that includes a psychiatrist, a nurse, a vocational and occupational therapist and mental health consultants. The team's composition and activities are designed to meet the standards of a defined evidenced based practice model as required by the state. Research suggests that the median age for the onset of initial episodes of psychosis is under the age of 25. Research also suggests that early intervention and immediate access to treatment can directly reduce hospitalization rates and the incidence of psychosis' long-term disabling consequences.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY10-11)	Current Year Purchased (FY11-12)	Current Year Estimate (FY11-12)	Next Year Offer (FY12-13)
Output	Total individuals enrolled in program receiving ongoing services	77	77	82	82
Outcome	% reduction in hospitalization rate 3 months pre and 6 months post enrollment ¹	82.0%	85.0%	90.0%	87.0%

Performance Measure - Description

¹ This measure compares the hospitalization rate for the 3 months prior to services with the rate for the 6 months post EASA service enrollment which is an indication of the stabilization of the individual.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

State Mental Health Grant County Financial Assistance Agreement

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2012	2012	2013	2013
Personnel	\$0	\$684,741	\$0	\$704,752
Contracts	\$0	\$305,960	\$0	\$315,960
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$26,416	\$0	\$26,416
Internal Services	\$0	\$82,475	\$0	\$83,475
Total GF/non-GF:	\$0	\$1,099,592	\$0	\$1,130,603
Program Total:	\$1,099,592		\$1,130,603	
Program FTE	0.00	7.20	0.00	7.20
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$1,220	\$0	\$1,220	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$810,770	\$0	\$834,319
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$288,822	\$0	\$296,284
Total Revenue:	\$1,220	\$1,099,592	\$1,220	\$1,130,603

Explanation of Revenues

\$834,319 - State Mental Health Grant Non-Residential Youth and Young Adult Services: Based on FY12 grant award
 \$296,284 - State Mental Health Grant Beginning Working Capital: Based on 09-11 estimated settlement

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #25064A, Early Assessment and Support Alliance