

Lead Agency: Health Department

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: In Target

Executive Summary

Providing health care to detained youth is the responsibility of Corrections Health. JDH health personnel care for 80 detained youth from Multnomah, Washington and Clackamas Counties who are brought in from the streets, other jurisdictions and other community holding facilities. Detainees include females and males who need their health issues addressed in a timely manner in order to prevent emergencies, pain and suffering which is the constitutional measure of quality care. Stabilizing their health allows them to participate fully in their legal processes. Trained, skilled professional nursing staff, scheduled 16 hrs/day, provide effective illness screening, evaluation of symptoms 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 2,000 youth are cared for each year with over 40% having major mental health and unstable health conditions. Routine health screenings include STD and TB screening to protect both the health of the clients, custody staff and the broader public health.

Program Description

This offer ensures that the health needs for 80 youth meet the standards that assure access to care, safeguards the health of all those who are in detention and controls the legal risk to the County. JDH health professionals work 16 hrs/day, seven days a week providing care for 80 youth daily in 6 individual housing units from three counties. Care ranges from minor ailments to major chronic and emotional diseases resulting from substance abuse, trauma, lack of health care, lack of knowledge of hygiene and self care, frequent infections and a high rate of emotional and mental illness. Registered nurses work one day/week with a provider in clinic, to plan examine and order the care necessary to keep the youth safe. In partnership with the DCJ custody staff, Corrections Health identifies and responds to emergencies and also screens for communicable diseases to keep outbreaks to a minimum. Coordination with other counties occurs so transferring of health care to other jurisdictions is achieved effectively. This health care is delivered effectively through providing the right care in the right setting.

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	# of clients visits conducted by a CH nurse per yr	3,000	3,500	3,500	3,600
Outcome	% of detained youth receiving mental health medications monthly	30.0%	50.0%	50.0%	50.0%

Performance Measure - Description

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 do not have the freedom to obtain care on their own. Access to care, an evaluation by a health professional, and the 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 brings harm to individuals entrusted to our care and increases liability for the County. Corrections Health is bound by ethical standards to provide unbiased care to all individuals based on community standards of care.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2012	2012	2013	2013
Personnel	\$495,552	\$100,004	\$632,283	\$0
Contracts	\$77,407	\$10,000	\$87,407	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$76,179	\$8,987	\$23,246	\$0
Internal Services	\$61,220	\$10,769	\$68,400	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$710,358	\$129,760	\$811,336	\$0
Program Total:	\$840,118		\$811,336	
Program FTE	4.40	1.20	4.70	0.00
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$7,770	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$7,238	\$0	\$7,238	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$103,000	\$129,760	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$118,008	\$129,760	\$7,238	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

As a result of current 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. These rules and laws are under review both locally and nationally to determine if additional revenue sources can be made available to jails. There is no co-pay system for youth, however, those youth in the Alcohol and Drug Treatment Program have OHP coverage so some of their clinic appointments with a physician and medications are billed through the community or health department to OHP. Corrections Health Juvenile Detention/Admissions and Housing is funded by \$811,336 in county general fund. The program estimates to collect \$7,238 in medical fees that are included in the county general fund.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #40049, Corrections Health Juvenile Detention/Admissions and Housing