

Lead Agency: County Human Services

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: In Target

Executive Summary

The Adult Care Home Program (ACHP) licenses and monitors adult care homes in Multnomah County. Currently there are 622 licensed adult care homes in the county. These homes offer affordable, quality care in a safe and culturally appropriate setting. Adult care homes are licensed under state and local laws and provide 24-hour care and supervision. The program licenses 2,817 beds, available to older adults and people with disabilities, offering a less expensive, homelike alternative to an institutional nursing home setting. The program also licenses 60 beds in 12 Room and Board facilities that offer low cost housing to older adults and residents with disabilities who need a supportive living environment but are not eligible for long term care services.

Program Description

The Adult Care Home Program is responsible for ensuring that vulnerable residents are cared for in a culturally appropriate, homelike environment that is friendly, safe and secure. All adult care home operators are trained on and required to follow Multnomah County Administrative Rules. ACHP's guiding principles are that every individual living in an adult care home is to be treated respectfully and receive quality care. A program licensor visits 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. In addition, program monitors observe interactions in the home, review records, and check to ensure residents are provided with social and recreational activities and are cared for in a safe environment. This last year 100% of adult care homes were required to perform a fire drill while the monitor watched. The program monitors and takes corrective action when issues are identified. Semi-annual unannounced monitoring reduces the risk of abuse and neglect of residents in adult care homes. Program staff provide technical assistance to adult care home operators, and issue and enforce written warnings, sanctions or fines when there are serious deficits. All homes are inspected and licensed annually.

Adult care homes provide a quality long term care option for older adults and people with disabilities desiring to live in the community. ACHP serves 1,184 Medicaid clients while saving taxpayers thousands of dollars a year. The average monthly Medicaid cost of services provided to the aged and physically disabled in an adult care home is \$1,736. This is one-third of the \$5,621 average Medicaid cost of a nursing home placement for the same population. Without this option, private pay residents would have to rely on more costly and restrictive alternatives resulting in possible spend down to Medicaid.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY11-12)	Current Year Purchased (FY12-13)	Current Year Estimate (FY12-13)	Next Year Offer (FY13-14)
Output	Total number of adult care homes licensed and inspected yearly	596	600	622	630
Outcome	Adult care homes with two or more monitoring visits in a year	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Efficiency	Adult care home/nursing home cost efficiency ratio ¹	31.0%	32.5%	32.0%	32.0%

Performance Measure - Description

¹Lower is better. Ratio equals adult care home cost as a percent of nursing home cost. As adult care homes serve increasing number of individuals with complex care needs, the average cost of care increases relative to the average cost of care in a nursing facility.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Multnomah County has a contract with the State of Oregon to administer the licensing, monitoring and training functions of Adult Care Homes. The Board of County Commissioners passed Multnomah County Resolution §23.66 - §223.999 establishing the Adult Care Home Program.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2013	2013	2014	2014
Personnel	\$22,672	\$1,110,905	\$23,613	\$1,157,033
Contracts	\$34,698	\$375,000	\$50,979	\$325,900
Materials & Supplies	\$612	\$29,980	\$1,061	\$52,305
Internal Services	\$3,680	\$209,581	\$3,743	\$213,909
Total GF/non-GF:	\$61,662	\$1,725,466	\$79,396	\$1,749,147
Program Total:	\$1,787,128		\$1,828,543	
Program FTE	0.26	12.74	0.26	12.74
Program Revenues				
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$269,300	\$0	\$304,900
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$1,434,466	\$0	\$1,444,247
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$21,700	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$1,725,466	\$0	\$1,749,147

Explanation of Revenues

\$1,444,247 - Title XIX
\$304,900 - Fees & Fines (based on historical averages)
\$50,979 - County General Fund Match
\$28,417 - County General Fund

Significant Program Changes

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