

Lead Agency: Health Department

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: In Target

Executive Summary

Corrections Health Multnomah County Detention Center houses 448 adults and is composed of booking, 4th floor special housing, mental health housing and three floors of discipline and classification housing. Approximately 160-170 USM detainees are housed in the system daily.

Providing health care to detained individuals is the responsibility of Corrections Health. From first entering the jail through booking until release or transfer to another jail, prison or USM service, trained and skilled Corrections Health personnel provide effective screening, illness identification, evaluation and 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 38,000 individuals are cared for each year with over 60% having serious unstable and chronic health conditions, such as diabetes, kidney failure, infections, alcohol and drug withdrawal and major mental/behavioral illnesses.

Program Description

This offer represents the MCDC 4th floor which is composed of 46 beds, two general and two mental health clinic rooms, one dental operatory, X-ray and lab services as well as 10 mental health and 10 general medical skilled care beds, plus four housing areas for high level discipline inmates. Also, a nurses station, chart room and a medication/supplies room. Services such as skilled nursing, dialysis, IV therapy, PT/OT, post surgical and terminal care are provided in the jail instead of a high cost hospital. Mental health is managed by a team of mental health nurses, consultants and providers. The 4th floor is staffed 24/7 with nursing personnel to provide needed care and emergency medical response. This health care is delivered effectively through providing the right care in the right setting.

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	Avg # inmate medical requests for care evaluated by nurse monthly	725	800	962	980
Outcome	Avg suicide watches per month to prevent inmate injury or death.	55	55	79	80

Performance Measure - Description

FY13 -Performance measures reflect care delivered for 5 floors in MCDC as we do not separate suicide watches or medical request evaluations per floor.

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 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	2013	2013	2014	2014
Personnel	\$1,951,150	\$0	\$1,578,355	\$0
Contracts	\$525,904	\$0	\$466,381	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$379,446	\$0	\$212,865	\$0
Internal Services	\$77,053	\$0	\$84,332	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$2,933,553	\$0	\$2,341,933	\$0
Program Total:	\$2,933,553		\$2,341,933	
Program FTE	16.40	0.00	15.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$18,720	\$0	\$14,681	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$18,720	\$0	\$14,681	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

As a result of the 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. A co-pay system is in place that charges the inmate accounts 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 for the client, correctional facilities staff and general public.

Corrections Health MCDC Clinical Services and 4th Flr Housing is funded by \$2,341,933 in county general fund. The program estimates to collect \$14,681 in medical fees that are included in the county general fund.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #40050B, Corrections Health MCDC Clinical Services and 4th Flr Housing
Corrections Health has reduced administrative staff and clinic staff has been maintained to ensure compliance with accreditation. Changes in contractual services and materials & supplies has been reallocated to the other Corrections Health scaled program offers. Overall, the budget for contractual services has been increased to better reflect actual expenditures for outsourced medical services.