



**Program #40050B - Corrections Health MCDC Clinical Services and 4th Floor Housing** 4/21/2021

**Department:** Health Department **Program Contact:** Michael Seale  
**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Proposed  
**Related Programs:**  
**Program Characteristics:**

**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 evaluation housing. Approximately 100 US Marshall (USM) detainees are housed in the system daily. Over 36,000 individuals are cared for each year with over 50% having serious unstable and chronic health conditions, such as diabetes, kidney failure, infections, alcohol and drug withdrawal, and major mental/behavioral illnesses

**Program Summary**

The core responsibility of Corrections Health is to provide a constitutional and community level of health care (medical, mental health and dental) to the individuals entrusted to our care while incarcerated in the adult detention facilities or the Donald E. Long Detention Center. That care is delivered to a population disproportionately involved in the justice system. As health risk and diseases rarely impact all communities equally, the work of Corrections Health addresses the groups disparately impacted. Recruitment and hiring practices have been refined to promote a workforce that more closely resembles the demographics of the population we serve. Further efforts will be made in FY22 to evaluate policies, procedures and practices to ensure that an equity approach is used whenever possible while maintaining appropriate access to essential care.

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. The 4th floor also contains a nursing station, administrative areas and a medication/supplies room. Services such as skilled nursing, IV therapy, and post-surgical care are provided in the jail instead of a high cost hospital. The 4th floor is staffed 24/7 with nursing personnel to provide needed care and emergency medical response. The fourth floor housing unit 4D is acute mental health with 10 beds. Both medical and mental health services are provided to these chronically ill clients. Mental health is managed by a team of mental health nurses, consultants and providers. A mental health Manager and mental health consultants provide support for forensic diversion and other programs, testify in court when appropriate and participate in multidisciplinary team processes to ensure the most appropriate and least restrictive housing is utilized, and that efforts to divert detainees from jail are expedited.

**Performance Measures**

| Measure Type | Primary Measure  | FY20 Actual | FY21 Budgeted | FY21 Estimate | FY22 Offer |
|--------------|--|-------------|---------------|---------------|------------|
| Output       | Average # AIC nursing assessments monthly  | 1,000       | 1,000         | 700           | 700        |
| Outcome      | Average active and constant suicide watches per month to prevent AIC injury or death | 100         | 125           | 100           | 100        |

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

Measure 1: Reflects care delivered on all floors in MCDC and includes both medical and mental health requests.  
Measure 2: Tracking both "ACTIVE" and "CONSTANT" suicide watches, captures management of detainees felt to be at risk, better reflecting resource needs

## Legal / Contractual Obligation

Necessary health care for incarcerated individuals is a right because they do not have the freedom to obtain care on their own. Appropriate access to care and timely evaluation by a health professional is mandated by the 4th, 8th and 14th amendments. When serious health needs are not adequately addressed by professionals, that deliberate indifference to medical needs may bring harm to individuals entrusted to our care and increase 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

|                        | Adopted<br>General Fund | Adopted<br>Other Funds | Proposed<br>General Fund | Proposed<br>Other Funds |
|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Program Expenses       | 2021                    | 2021                   | 2022                     | 2022                    |
| Personnel              | \$2,183,984             | \$0                    | \$1,504,089              | \$0                     |
| Contractual Services   | \$457,410               | \$0                    | \$565,000                | \$0                     |
| Materials & Supplies   | \$464,088               | \$0                    | \$695,056                | \$0                     |
| Internal Services      | \$376,797               | \$0                    | \$401,192                | \$0                     |
| <b>Total GF/non-GF</b> | <b>\$3,482,279</b>      | <b>\$0</b>             | <b>\$3,165,337</b>       | <b>\$0</b>              |
| <b>Program Total:</b>  | <b>\$3,482,279</b>      |                        | <b>\$3,165,337</b>       |                         |
| <b>Program FTE</b>     | 10.50                   | 0.00                   | 9.40                     | 0.00                    |

| Program Revenues     |            |            |            |            |
|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| <b>Total Revenue</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> |

## 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 Medicare and Medicaid. These rules and laws are under review nationally to determine if additional revenue sources can be made available to jails. Provider assessments, treatments, screenings, diagnostic tests and communicable diseases tests are performed at no charge. Medications are provided at no charge. Necessary clinical care is provided regardless of the detainee's ability to pay.

## Significant Program Changes

**Last Year this program was:** FY 2021: 40050B Corrections Health MCDC Clinical Services and 4th Floor Housing

Significant changes for FY22 in Program Offers 40050A, 40050B & 40050C:

Given a general reduction in client population, a reduction in personnel could be attained in FY 2022 without impacting clinical quantity or quality provided to the adults in custody at MCDC. Reductions across all three program offers above include; 1.00 MA FTE, .9 LPN FTE, .1 CNA FTE and 3.8 CHN FTE.

The other significant change in this offer is to reduce the FTE of the current Deputy Medical Director who is also concurrently serving as the Director of Corrections Health, so that administrative and leadership adjustments can be made within the Division to allow for greater leadership opportunities within the Division, to enhance opportunities for greater leadership equity and to promote adequate succession planning. The Deputy Director FTE is reduced from 1.0 FTE to 0.80 FTE.