

### Program #40012C - Community Primary Care Expansion

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Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program Program Offer Stage: As Adopted

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request

## **Executive Summary**

Multnomah County will support increasing access to community based, culturally specific primary care services for populations with greater burdens of health disparities within the local community. Many local populations have limited access to culturally responsive healthcare services that offer a safe and affirming environment. This budget amendment will allow the Health Department to contract with a community organization to improve access to services for LGBTQIA+ community members, especially those who are Black, Indigenous, or other People of Color (BIPOC).

## **Program Summary**

Research has demonstrated the efficacy of culturally-tailored interventions in health promotion, clinical care, mental health/behavioral services, and substance abuse services. The current health care delivery system in Oregon is organized around the critical role of the primary care medical home as a nexus for engagement, health promotion, disease management, and coordination. In order to effectively reduce population-level health inequities, local community leaders are making the case for culturally-specific primary care homes, in addition to continuing focus on cultural responsiveness and competence from mainstream care providers.

Locally, LGBTQIA+ communities experience many health inequities yet have limited access to culturally responsive healthcare services that offer a safe and affirming environment. As an example, lesbians are at a higher risk of breast cancer than straight women, while gay men have an elevated risk of prostate, testicular, and colon cancer. In Oregon, almost twice as many lesbians, gays, and bisexuals as heterosexuals report frequent mental distress. The rate is highest for transgender youth. Approximately 82% of individuals who identify as trans have considered killing themselves, while 40% have actually attempted suicide. Despite the work that Multnomah County and community partners have done to fill access gaps for LGBTQIA+ community members, tremendous need still exists. This is particularly true for members of the LGBTQIA+ communities who are BIPOC.

This one time only budget amendment will support a contract with a culturally specific community organization to improve access to culturally responsive services for LGBTQIA+ community members with particular focus on those who are BIPOC. Monies will be distributed through a competitive procurement process. Funds will not be used for capital expenditures. Culturally-specific primary care may include specific language capacities, providers from the populations of focus, culturally tailored models of care provision, health education, and decision-making, as well as a constellation of wrap-around services uniquely matched to the specific populations.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY21 Actual	FY22 Budgeted	FY22 Estimate	FY23 Offer			
Output	Fiscal sustainability plan implemented	N/A	N/A	N/A	1			
Outcome	Support increased access to services for LGBTQIA+BIPOC community members	N/A	N/A	N/A	1 site			

#### **Performance Measures Descriptions**

Measure 1: This will be measured by a final sustainability plan from the contractor by June 2023. Measure 2: This will be measured by an increase in service access locations by June 2023.

# Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	
Program Expenses	2022	2022	2023	2023	
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$90,000	\$0	
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$90,000	\$0	
Program Total:	\$0		\$90,000		
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	

Program Revenues							
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			

## **Explanation of Revenues**

# Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: