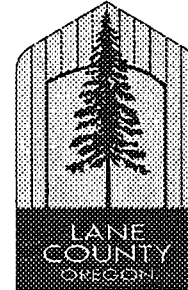


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AGENDA DATE: February 22, 2006
TO: Board of County Commissioners
DEPARTMENT: Health & Human Services
PRESENTED BY: Rob Rockstroh



AGENDA TITLE: ORDER / _____ IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE 2007-09 LANE COUNTY IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS SERVICES.(DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES)(34)

I. MOTION

Order / _____ In the Matter of Approving the 2007-09 Lane County Implementation Plan for Mental Health and Addictions Services.

II. ISSUE OR PROBLEM

The State Office of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OMHAS) has requested Lane County along with all counties in Oregon to submit a biennial plan encompassing treatment and prevention services for mental health, addiction, and problem gambling. In accordance with Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 430.258 and 430.630, the plan must be reviewed and approved by the Board of County Commissioners.

III. DISCUSSION

A. Background/Analysis

Under ORS 430.630 and 430.640, the Office of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OMHAS) is charged with the responsibility for reviewing and approving the county biennial plan for the establishment and operation of the County Community Mental Health Programs. The county plans will help guide OMHAS in the development of the 2007-09 County Financial Assistance Agreement (CFAA). The CFAA funds services for mental health, addiction and problem gambling prevention and treatment. The county plans will also provide information for development of the 2007-09 OMHAS Budget Request that will go to the governor and eventually be presented to the state legislature.

The standard plan requirements include:

- A narrative description of the county planning processes used to develop or update the plan for mental health, addiction and problem gambling prevention and treatment. The narrative includes a discussion of how consumers, advocates, consumer family members, community coalitions and other stakeholders were involved in the development of the plan. It also describes how the plan will ensure that services are culturally competent and that minority populations have access to services designed to meet their specific needs.
- A description of current functional linkages with the State Hospital system and mental health acute care inpatient providers.
- Identification of the areas critical for improving access and client or consumer outcomes.
- A detailed narrative description of how the county will allocate and use the resources provided by OMHAS. This must include how the county will increase and improve the use of evidence-based practices in services for which the county receives funding from OMHAS. It also must include any changes in allocations to service elements or subcontractors and the rationale for those changes.
- A record of the proposed funding allocations.

The amount of funding for services in the current 2005-07 CFAA represents the "base allocation" for the 2007-09 CFAA and plan with one exception, continuum of care services for addiction disorders. "Continuum of Care" services include case management, clinical care (assessment, counseling, and outpatient treatment services) and continuing care.

During the current biennium OMHAS and Oregon counties have been involved in a funding equity study to determine changes needed to the current distribution of funding for addiction disorders treatment. Consequently, beginning in July 2007, a redistribution of funds will begin to establish a more equitable funding pattern across the state. Therefore, if the legislatively approved budget for 2007-09 contains no increases for continuum of care services, the allocations for those services will be adjusted to accomplish a more equitable distribution of state resources. This is good news for Lane County. The planned redistribution will increase funding for these services by \$153,716 over a 5-year period.

Other required items in the plan include assurance that the amount of county funds allocated to alcohol and drug treatment and rehabilitation programs for 2007-09 is not lower than the amount of county funds expended during 2005-07 and that the services for minority populations be maintained at the 2005-07 level.

The plan must include documentation of review and comment by five bodies in

addition to the Board of County Commissioners. These five bodies are:

1. Local Alcohol and Drug Planning Committee – In Lane County this is the Mental Health Advisory Committee
2. Local mental Health Advisory Committee - In Lane County this is the Mental Health Advisory Committee
3. Local Commission on Children and Families
4. Local DHS Service Delivery Area Manager
5. Local Public Safety Coordinating Council

By the date of the Board of County Commissioners' meeting, all of these reviews will have been completed.

The planning process for the 2007-09 biennium included six public meetings and a review by the Manager of our DHS Service Area where the priorities out of the plan for the current biennium were reviewed and revised. The six public meetings were held in Cottage Grove, Eugene, Florence, at the Mental Health Subcommittee meeting in Eugene, at the A&D Issues Forum (also included the A&D Subcommittee) in Eugene and at a meeting convened by Mind Freedom an organization of consumers/advocates/survivors of the mental health system.

At the time of the writing of this board order the plan had not been completed. However, there were no changes anticipated to the current structure of services with the exception of additional outpatient services corresponding to the additional service dollars anticipated. Copies of the plan will be made available for distribution to the Commissioners on February 16 and an update in regard to any service changes in the plan will be highlighted at the board meeting on February 22, 2006.

The Plan is due March 1, 2006 at the State Office of Mental Health and Addiction Services.

B. Alternatives/Options

1. To accept the motion and approve the 2007-09 Lane County Implementation Plan for mental health, addiction and problem gambling services.
2. Not to accept the motion. The 2007-09 Lane County Implementation Plan drives the state funding allocation for Lane County. It must be approved and submitted to the state Office of Mental Health and Addiction Services by March 1, 2006. Therefore, if the Board does not approve the plan it could impact the level of funding for services for the 2007-09 biennium.

C. Recommendation

To approve number one above.

D. Timing

The plan is due to the state by March 1, 2006. Therefore, the Board must act to allow the county administrator to sign-off on the plan and allow it to be forwarded to the state.

IV. IMPLEMENTATION

Upon action by the Board, the form for BCC review and approval will be forwarded to the county administrator's office for signature after which the plan with the form will be forwarded to the state to meet the March 1, 2006 due date.

V. ATTACHMENTS

Board Order

2007-09 Lane County Implementation Plan – to be provided by February 16, 2006.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, LANE COUNTY, OREGON

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) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND
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WHEREAS, ORS 430.630 and 430.640, charge the Office of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OMHAS) with the responsibility for reviewing and approving the county biennial plan for the establishment and operation of the county Community Mental Health Programs; and

WHEREAS, the county plans will help guide OMHAS in the development of the 2007-09 County Financial Assistance Agreement (CFAA); and

WHEREAS, the CFAA funds services for mental health, addiction and problem gambling prevention and treatment; and

WHEREAS, the 2007-09 Lane County Implementation Plan has been reviewed by several planning bodies including the Mental Health Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Mental Health Advisory Committee hereby recommends adoption of this plan to the Board of County Commissioners;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the Board of County Commissioners approve of the 2007-09 Lane County Implementation Plan and authorize the county administrator to sign the letter of review and approval.

DATED this 22nd day of February, 2006.

Bill Dwyer, Chair
Lane County Board Of Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Date 2/13/06 lane county
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OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

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