



Population 63,210*



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Mental Health & Addictions

Screening

Coos County
Mental Health Department
(541) 756-2020 Extension 528
1975 McPherson, Suite 2, North Bend

24-hour/After-hours Crisis

(541) 756-8601

Developmental Disabilities

Screening

Community Living Case Management,
Inc.
(541) 266-7300
320 Central Avenue, Suite 321, Coos Bay
www.clcmoregon.org

24-hour/After-hours Crisis

Pager (541) 471-5180

*Population Research Center, PSU, March 2009

Coos County Board of Commissioners:



Nikki Whitty,
Chair



Kevin Stufflebean



Robert "Bob" Main

County government is the local fiscal agent for state funds and provides accounting, legal, and human resources services.

Mental Health Services

Prevention and Early Intervention

Crisis assessment and intervention, school-based mental health therapists serve Coos County ESD and other area schools part time

Outpatient

Walk-in services (Mon-Fri, 8-5), screening and assessment, 24-hour crisis services, medication management*, case management, individual and family treatment, group treatment, pre-commitment investigations, protective service investigations

Community Housing and Residential Services

Adults: Bay Bridge Apts (semi-independent living), Bay Apts (supported living), adult foster homes, enhanced care services (in-home & facility-based), homeless shelter (3 mental health-funded beds), Cedar Bay (Psychiatric Security Review Board placement home)

Children: 2 therapeutic foster homes

Acute Care

Oregon State Hospital, Bay Area Hospital, Coos Crisis Resolution Center (adults), Children's Crisis Respite

Recovery Supports

- SHAMA peer-run clubhouse; peer counseling, wellness and skills training groups, dual-diagnosis support groups
- Wraparound*: intensive community treatment services, in-home skills training, supported employment

Services to Special Populations

Jail services, Mental Health Court, 0-3 Court Team, group skills training for women, adolescents & children, parent-child interactive therapy, school-based psychiatric day treatment, dialectical behavioral therapy*

* An Evidence-Based Practice

Coos County Mental Health

provides and coordinates mental health and addictions services, quality improvement and utilization management of state-county shared services

Addictions Services

Prevention - school and community programs

Education and alternative activities for youth: Friendly PEERsuasion, Youth Summit, community coalitions, Reconnecting Youth, Start Taking Alcohol Risks Seriously*, On Applebee's Pond

Treatment *contracted to ADAPT, Inc.*

Outpatient continuum of care, including youth and women's treatment, methamphetamine treatment, co-occurring disorders treatment*; referrals for detox to Bay Area Hospital; referrals for residential treatment to ADAPT (Roseburg and Serenity Lane (Eugene))

Recovery Services

Supported housing* (Bay Area First Step), Dual-Diagnosis Anonymous 12-step program, support groups

* An Evidence-Based Practice

"0-3" Court Program

Hon. Richard L. Barron, Presiding Judge

This research-based program reunites children in state custody, 0-3 years old, with their parents, providing mental health and addictions treatment, domestic violence treatment/prevention, parenting skills & child visitation. Treatment provided by Coos County Mental Health.

For more information, visit www.cooscurrycourts.org/ZTT

Developmental Disabilities Services

contracted to Community Living Case Management, Inc. by State of Oregon Seniors & People with Disabilities Division

Program Administration

Eligibility determination, quality assurance, foster care licensing, family support, contracts, protective services and adult support services.

Service Coordination

Crisis services, referral, person-centered planning, monitoring, advocacy, and information and training.

Residential, Vocational and Transportation Services

Adult Support Services contracted to Southern Oregon Regional Brokerage

Coos County Mental Health partners with child welfare and judges to keep children at home and in school

At four years old, “Jackie” found himself with no parents. He didn’t understand why and his nightmares were full of what he might lose next. His grandmother had taken him in to keep him from foster care but she was coming to believe that her grandson was more than she could handle. His Terrible Two’s had graduated to a new and terrifying level of violent destructive behavior and the light had gone out of his eyes.

Then the pair turned to Coos County Mental Health for help and Jackie’s grandmother got her hope back. She worked diligently with the program’s child specialist in Parent-Child Interactive Therapy and learned how to set behavioral boundaries and create a home environment for Jackie that for the first time in his life made him feel safe and secure.

After months of work on his grandmother’s part and months of learning to trust and respond to her in a healthy way, Jackie is now a successful kindergartner with a good chance at a better life.



Out of jail and in recovery: Coos County Mental Health Court

On the first Wednesday of every month, Coos County mental health court is in session in an ordinary court room presided over by Judge Paula Bechtold. As ordinary as the room is, by most accounts extraordinary things happen here - second chances, creative solutions, and even happy endings. It is an example of what can happen when agencies cooperate to find solutions to the core problems that contribute to participants' criminal acts - mental illness, developmental disabilities and drug addiction.



Coos County mental health court is offered as an alternative to traditional courts for a carefully defined group of defendants. Participation is strictly voluntary. There are no trials; participants are required to plead guilty in return for alternative sentencing. They must also agree to follow a strict plan of treatment and compliance.

The idea is to preserve public safety while reducing the number of mentally ill inmates in jails by lowering recidivism rates and the number of hospitalizations. The goal is to treat the mental illness and the substance abuse problem, in some cases, so that the cycle of criminal activity stops. Many of those seen in mental health court are "co-occurring" - meaning they are dealing with both a mental illness and a substance abuse problem. Mental health and addictions treatment is provided and needs for housing, employment and education are addressed. Each piece of the equation is important to help clients stabilize their lives and stay out of the justice system. Mental health court is designed to address the gaps in care that too many people with mental illness face.

In Judge Bechtold's court, exchanges are congenial and personal, even when things may not be going well for the client. The Judge is genuinely interested in each client's progress. Currently seventeen people are participating in mental health court; four have graduated and have not re-offended. Our first graduate, Amil, has continued in his sobriety for over fifteen months and has remained in stable housing. Robert has re-united with his wife and children and learned how to manage his bi-polar symptoms with medication, Don has secured a well-paying job as a plumber and regained control of his life, and our community shares in their success.