

Chattanooga Hamilton County Health Department

Homeless Health Care Center

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Project Description

The Homeless Health Care Project provides services at a stationary clinic as well as through outreach to homeless citizens living in the Chattanooga area.

Services

The stationary clinic is located next door to the Chattanooga Community Kitchen, a day shelter with support services, including food, clothing, job training, and literacy programs. Direct primary care, substance abuse, mental health, case management, and entitlement assistance are provided at the center. Services provided indirectly by the center include secondary care, dentistry, emergency care, and inpatient care.

The mobile medical unit provides primary care services to eight area shelters: Gardner House Youth Shelter, Hastings House, St. Catherine's Shelter, Interfaith Hospitality Network, Chambliss Shelter for Children, Family Emergency Shelter, Room in the Inn, and the Chattanooga Area Safe Space. Entitlement assistance and case management services are provided in cooperation with case managers from these agencies. Substance abuse and mental health services are provided by referral to the Homeless Health Care Center. Transportation is provided by the Center.

Linkages

Emergency, specialty, and inpatient care are provided by referral through letters of agreement between the Homeless Health Care Center, Erlanger Medical Center, Moccasin Bend Mental Health Institute, and Memorial Hospital. In addition, the project has linkages with at least 42 organizations in the community providing job training and placement, education and literacy services, mental health counseling, and housing services.

Statistics

Estimated homeless population: 6,000 Project users: 2,847

Subcontractor(s):

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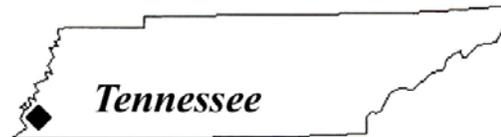
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Project Description

In 1987, Memphis Health Center (MHC) responded to the health care access needs of the growing number of individuals who were homeless in Memphis. In collaboration with the Salvation Army and several other community based support organizations, MHC received 340 federal funding to provide a comprehensive array of medical and support services to individuals experiencing homelessness.

Services

Primary care, dental services, substance abuse treatment, and mental health services comprise the core of MHC's HCH Project. These services are available through direct services at MHC and via subcontractors. A Health Services Team at the main site provides primary care. Midtown Mental Health Center, Genesis House of Memphis Catholic Charities, and Harbor House, Inc., provide mental health and substance abuse treatment services. Primary health care is also provided weekly at two homeless clinic sites located at the Salvation Army Purdue Center of Hope (women/children shelter) and Calvary Street Mission (day drop-in center).

Linkages

MHC has linkages with the Salvation Army's Adult Rehabilitation Center (ARC), Purdue Center Women and Children Shelter, Cocaine Alcohol Awareness Program (CAAP), and Southwest Mental Health Center. MHC is also a member of Homeless Consortium of Partners for the Homeless (federal) and Greater Memphis Interagency Coalition for the Homeless (GMICH), which facilitates networking between local homeless service providers.

Statistics

Estimated homeless population: 7,000-8,000 Project users: 2,004

Subcontractor(s):

Church Health Center

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Genesis House / Memphis Catholic Charities

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Mid-Town Mental Health Center

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Project Description

The Metro Public Health Department, a unit of Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, emphasizes the traditional public health roles of assessment, assurance, and policy development. The Downtown Clinic for the Homeless continues to provide a wide range of primary care services, while three other health department sites concentrate on preventive health services, WIC, and communicable diseases. Since 1985, the Downtown Clinic has helped bring health care services to persons who are homeless in Nashville. The clinic is open Monday - Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm and Tuesdays until 6:30 pm.

Services

Two nurse practitioners and a half time physician see patients who have primary care and chronic disease needs. Tests for TB and STDs, physical exams, and family planning are available. Alcohol and drug treatment is provided through an outpatient program that includes 21 or more hours of counseling and education each week. The length of treatment is determined by the individual needs of the client. It is open to men only and includes room, board, case management, activities, education, and AA meeting at the Campus for Human Development adjacent to the clinic. Residential treatment is available through block grant funds. Mental health services are provided by a supervising psychiatrist and Vanderbilt senior residents. A Meharry faculty dentist sees patients every day and trains dental students in the process. Metro's van leaves the campus regularly to take clients to medical and social service appointments. Street outreach in downtown Nashville and outlying areas is done nearly daily. Outreach and medical service to shelters are also conducted.

Linkages

Emergency and inpatient services are referred to Metropolitan General Hospital. Oral surgery is available at the Health Department's Lentz Health Center. Specialty care is referred to a community health center or General Hospital - Outpatient Services. The division maintains good relations with other McKinney grantees, including a runaway shelter, community action agency, local housing agency, and other programs serving the homeless. The program is a HUD grantee responsible for creating Nashville's Homeless Management Information System.

Statistics

Estimated homeless population: 5,000 Project users: 3,457