



Corrections Health Services

Orange County Jail Oversight Commission

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Introduction

- **Corrections Health Services provides 24/7 medical and mental health care.**
 - Operates five medical clinics
 - 22,131 patients treated annually
 - 18,334 mental health exams
 - 3,171 dental exams
 - 881 outside consults
 - 8,793 medications dispensed daily



Corrections Health Services

▪ Staffing

- 11 medical and 6 mental health providers
- 42 RNs
- 51 LPNs
- 14 Licensed Mental Health Specialist
- 5 Dental
- 6 Pharmacy
- 4 Case managers

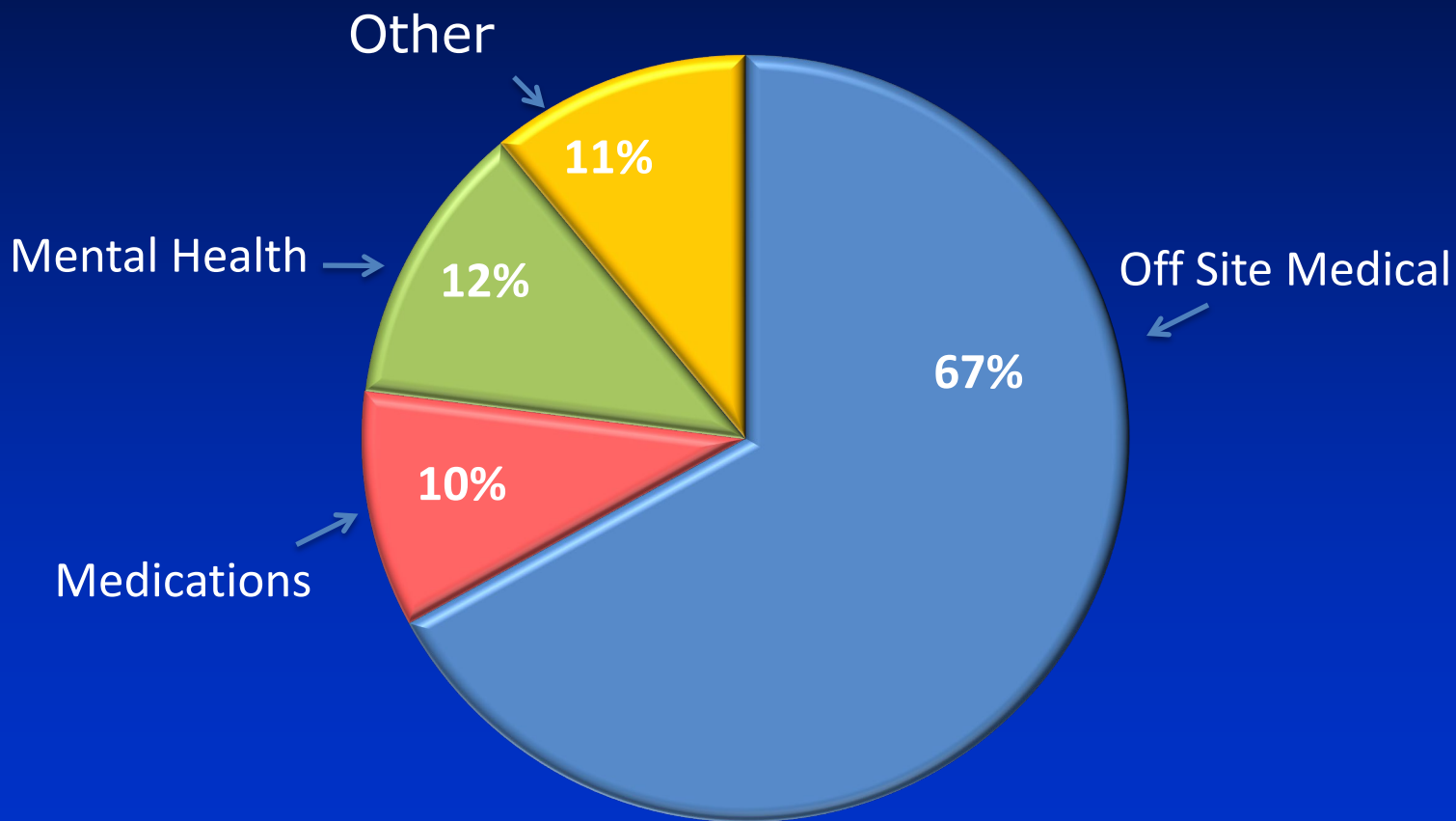


Corrections Health Services

- **Onsite ancillary services**
 - Pharmacy
 - X-ray/ultrasound (contractor)
 - Dialysis (contractor)
 - Telepsych (contractor)
 - MAT Clinic (contractor)



Corrections Health Services



FY 2025 Operating Budget \$19.4M



Corrections Health Services

Accredited by:

- **NCCHC (2023)**
- **ACA (2023)**
- **FCAC (2023)**
- **FMJS (2024)**
- **ICE (2024)**
- **US Marshals (2024)**
- **PREA (2023)**



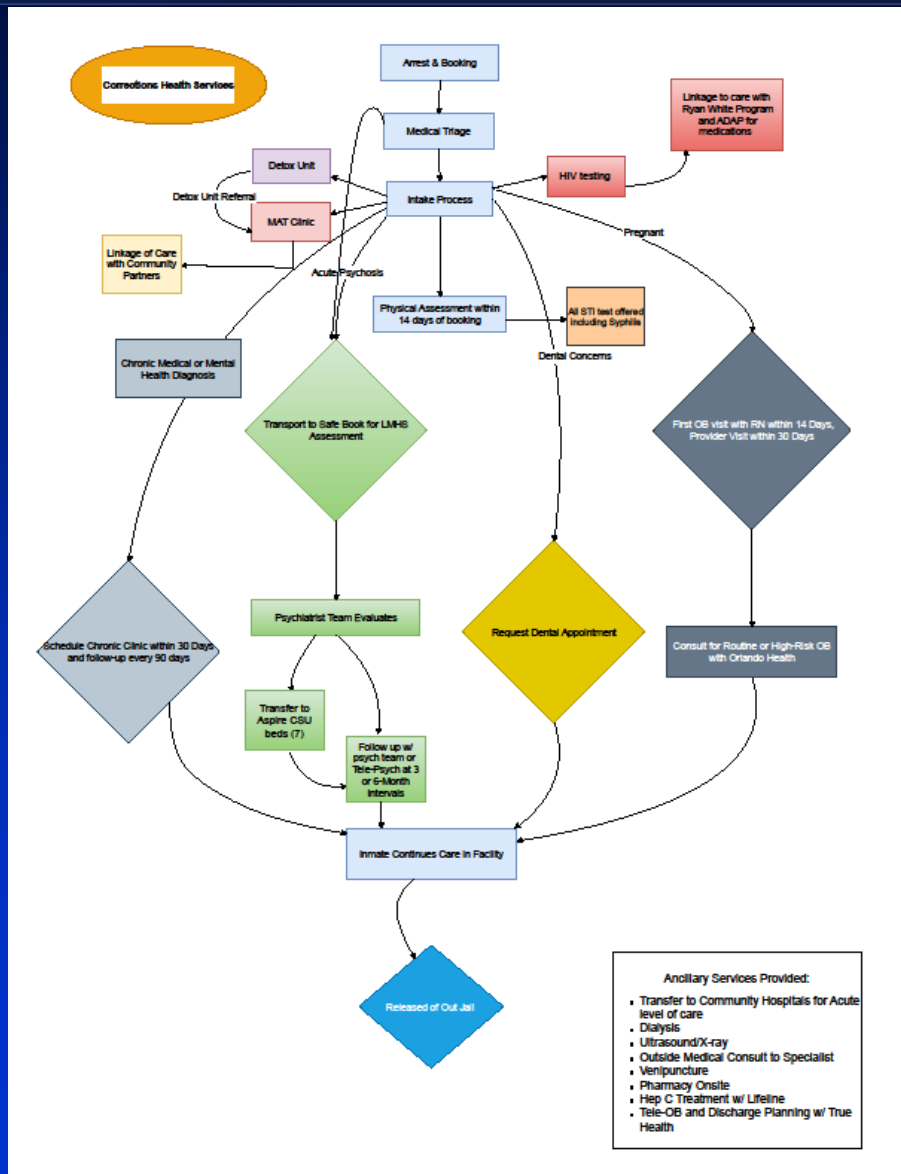
Accreditation

National Commission on Correctional Health Care

- Only correctional healthcare accrediting body
- 59 standards covering:
 - Administration
 - Disease Prevention
 - Training
 - Special Needs/Chronic Care
 - Legal Issues
- Corrections Health Service has been Accredited by the NCCHC since 2019



Screening & Treatment Pathways





Screening and Treatment Pathway

▪ Triage

- Every patient is screened upon entering the facility
- Patient's needing urgent care are sent to the ED for medical clearance
 - Unstable vital signs
 - Ill-appearing patient who is not alert, oriented to person, place and time
- Patient's who are suicidal and/or exhibiting abnormal behavior are placed in Safe Book
 - Safe Book is a designated area in booking for patients in psychosis or suicidal crisis, we provide close medical observation, care and frequent evaluations by our psych team until stabilization.



Screening and Treatment Pathway

■ Intake Screening

- current medical concerns and treatment history
- current medications (Surescripts)
- infectious disease symptoms
- substance use disorder and mental health history
- dental concerns
- Prison Rape Elimination Act (Zero tolerance sexual abuse or harassment)

■ Intake Referrals

- Appropriate medical, substance use disorder and mental health referrals are made based on screening.



Screening and Treatment Pathway

■ Physical Assessment

- A Detailed medical assessment must be conducted within 14 days of booking
- Usually conducted within 10 days
- In-depth exam that builds on information provided in triage
- TB test
- Scheduled for chronic clinics or other appropriate care
- Repeated on an annual basis if patient is still incarcerated



Services

▪ Mental health care

–43% of the jail population has diagnosed mental health condition

–3.7% of the 43% have an acutely mental illness

–Onsite Licensed Mental Health Specialists provide 24/7 coverage

- Group
- Referral
- Crisis intervention



Services

▪ Psychiatric care

- Psychiatric services are provided onsite through staff and telepsych
- Contract for seven crisis stabilization unit (CSU) beds
 - High acuity patient's who cannot be stabilized in the jail
- More patients are arriving on injectable mental health medications, raising pharmacy costs



Services

▪ Chronic care clinic

– Focused on providing care to patient with ongoing medical conditions such as:

- HIV
- Asthma/COPD
- Diabetes
- Seizure disorder
- Hypertension
- TB
- Sickle cell disease



Services

▪ OB Services:

- Routine OB visits
- Laboratory and diagnostic testing
- High-risk prenatal care
- Management of the substance use disorder in a pregnant patient
- Comprehensive counseling
- Recommended vaccines
- Appropriate nutrition
- Postpartum follow-up
- Lactation



Services

▪ Detox Unit

- In July 2023 centralized unit was created for patient going through withdrawal
- 8,590 patient were treated in 2024.
- Continually monitored using withdrawal scales.
- Are treated with medications specific for their withdrawal.
- Patients requiring closer medical supervision are housed in the infirmary or transferred to a local hospital.



Services

- **Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)**
 - **Onsite clinic operated by contractor - March 2022**
 - 70 patients are seen on a daily average
 - 416 patients were treated in 2024
 - 213 newly inducted patients in 2024
 - **896 Narcan kits placed in property last year**



Services

- **HIV prevention/care services**
 - Free HIV testing is offered 7 days a week.
 - 7,504 tests last year.
 - Case manager enrolls HIV+ patient into Ryan White and ADAP programs that provide free medical, support, and pharmacy services.
 - ADAP allows patient to receive free antiretroviral (ART) medication while in jail.
 - Discharge planning conducted for newly diagnosed patient for follow-up medical care and case management appointments.



Services

- **Congenital syphilis prevention program (2023)**
 - In response to the CDC call to action to reduce infants born with syphilis
 - Rapid syphilis testing is offered 7 days a week
 - 5,680 patient tested
 - 192 new cases identified
 - Appropriate treatment started at jail
 - DOH is notified of new cases to provide appropriate follow-up once patient are released



Services

- **New Services that will be instituted this year.**
 - **Tele OB: Provide tele OB services to pregnant females through a FQHC and appropriate follow-up once inmate is released.**
 - **Hepatitis C: Provides free Hepatitis C testing and medication through a partnership with an outside vendor. Will also provide appropriate follow-up once inmate is released.**



Release

- **Post-Release Community Resources:**
 - County clinic, women's health, VA
 - HIV continuing care
 - Aspire
 - Addiction help
 - Shelters
 - Support groups
- **Patients currently on medication are referred to the county pharmacy for 30 days of free medication.**



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Questions