

# Reentry Community Services Program (RCSP)

## Overview

The Reentry Community Services Program (RCSP) was created in 2000 by Senate Bill 5011 with the intent to provide improved public safety and additional mental health treatment for dangerous mentally ill, developmentally disabled and chemically dependent mentally ill individuals exiting a Department of Corrections (DOC) facility. This program was previously known as Offender Reentry Community Safety Program (ORCSP) until last legislative session.

The HCA Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery (DBHR) administers the program, and funds contracts with community behavioral health agencies to plan and deliver RCSP services for individuals who meet the criteria of having a major mental disorder and are also considered high risk.

RCSP services include non-Medicaid covered pre and post release services to include pre-release engagement, intensive case management, specialized treatment services (sex offender, chemical dependency, anger management, parenting), housing assistance, basic living expenses, transportation assistance, educational and vocational services, employment services, unfunded medical expenses and other non-medical treatment supports that increase capacity to live successfully in the community.

DBHR contracts with 12 community behavioral health providers who offer services to RCSP participants. Each participant receives up to 60 months of ORCSP services as long as they are participating in community behavioral health services.

## Eligibility

DOC screens individuals to determine if they meet criteria. A statewide RCSP Review Committee (co-chaired by DOC and DBHR RCSP administrators) makes the final determination of entry into the RCSP program and refers the individuals to the appropriate community behavioral health agency.

## Authority

Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 71.24.470

## Budget

FY22: \$1,800,000

FY23: \$1,800,000

## Rates

Pre-Release Engagement Services: \$800/month

Extended Pre-Release Engagement: \$600/month

Ongoing Service Medicaid Covered: \$1,000/month

Ongoing Service Non-Medicaid: \$1,200/month

## Numbers

1,438 individuals have been designated since 2000.

*FY19: 63*

*FY20: 125*

*FY21: 90*

## Partners

Behavioral health organizations and community behavioral health agencies; the Department of Social and Health Services Developmental Disabilities Administration; law enforcement and prosecutors; Department of Corrections; Federally Recognized Indian Tribes

## Oversight

DBHR establishes the RCSP contracts and monitors those contracts monthly with quality reviews, biannual site visits, and development of policies and procedures for compliance with RCW.

## More information

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