

NSMHA Contract Memorandum 2005-015

Date: December 28, 2005

To: Jess Jamieson, President APN and CEO, Compass Health  
Dona Konicki, *bridgeways*  
Michael Watson, Lake Whatcom RTC  
Andy Byrne, Whatcom Counseling and Psychiatric Center  
Thomas MacIntyre, Catholic Community Services Northwest  
Claudia D'Allegri, Sea Mar  
Janelle Sgrignoli, Snohomish County Human Services  
Tom Robinson, Volunteers of America

From: Chuck Benjamin, Executive Director

Subject: New and/or Revised Policies

NSMHA Policy #1701.00 – Crisis Respite Standards for Adults is new and is effective 12/21/05.

NSMHA Policy #1702.00 – ICRS Outreach Safety Screening, Pre- and Post-Dispatch to an Unstaffed Location and attachment 1702.01 – Form is new and is effective 12/21/05.

There are three (3) new columns added to the matrix to cover NSMHA designees. Currently VOA is a NSMHA designee for Inpatient Certification.

Please note some changes to requirements on policies 1547.00, 1548.00 and 1554.00.

There is an updated Policy and Procedure (P&P) Grid attached for your convenience. (We have made corrections per provider/QMC feedback.)

Please ensure that the policies are implemented or revised at your agency within sixty days. The policies may be found at <http://66.114.134.5/Policies/Default.asp>.

cc: Heather Fennell, Compass Health  
Robert Bjorkland, *bridgeways*  
Kathy McNaughton, Catholic Community Services  
Kay McEniry, Lake Whatcom  
Pamala Benjamin, Whatcom Counseling and Psychiatric Center  
Russ Hardison, Sea Mar  
Linda Carlson, Volunteers of America