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North Sound Behavioral Health Organization

Section 6000 – Tribal: Coordination of Care for Tribal Members

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Cancels:

See Also:

Providers must comply with this policy and may develop individualized implementation guidelines as needed

Responsible Staff: Executive Director

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Signature:

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POLICY #6002.00

SUBJECT: COORDINATION OF CARE FOR TRIBAL MEMBERS

PURPOSE

To provide appropriate care coordination for Tribal members who are enrolled in services through the North Sound Behavioral Health Organization (North Sound BHO).

POLICY

North Sound BHO contracted Behavioral Health Agencies (BHA) will support individuals participating in services with treatment that is culturally appropriate and will coordinate with natural and Tribal supports when possible and appropriate.

If a member of a federally recognized Tribe is referred to or presents for non-crisis services and they, or their legal representative, complete a release of information (ROI) and request coordination, the BHA must make efforts to notify the Tribal Authority or Recognized American Indian Organization (RAIO) requesting assistance in treatment planning and service provision.

PROCEDURES

BHAs are responsible for identifying Tribal members by asking the individual if they are a member of a federally recognized Tribe (and if so, which one) at intake. Once Tribal membership is affirmed, the BHA is responsible for making active efforts to coordinate care with the appropriate Tribal Authority or RAIO if the individual or their legal representative provide their consent. The BHA is encouraged to look beyond official Tribal enrollment, consider which Tribal entities may be current or potential supports for the individual and coordinate with these supports to enhance their recovery.

BHAs can reference North Sound BHO Tribal Brochure, available on the BHO website www.northsoundbho.org to find contact information for each tribe. If the BHA has difficulty determining an appropriate contact person, they should contact the BHO for assistance.

BHAs should consult Policy 1558.00 – Special Population Consultations, for additional requirements.

ATTACHMENTS

None