

North Sound Mental Health Administration

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Subject: New, Revised and/or Fast Tracked policies

Policy 1001.00 – Complaint, Grievance, Appeal, Fair Hearing and Notice – General Policy Requirements

This is a pre-existing policy that was revised to meet system changes. This policy has been through the final approval process, signed and effective 10/9/2008.

Policy 1704.00 – Crisis Services – General Policy

This is a pre-existing policy that was revised to meet system changes. This policy has been through the final approval process, signed and effective 10/9/2008.

Policy 1721.00 – Medical Status Criteria for Crisis and ITA Assessment

This is a new policy that was created to meet system changes. This policy has been through the final approval process, signed and effective 10/9/2008.

Policy 1574.00 – State Only Funding Plan Mental Health Services

This policy is new and being fast-tracked for External Quality Review Organization (EQRO) audit coming October 20-24. This policy will go through all the final approval processes and a final approved version will be re-sent once that is completed. For now, this policy has been signed and effective 10/9/2008.

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The new, revised and/or fast tracked policies are enclosed for your convenience and will be available on the NSMHA website at www.nsmha.org for your future reference.

Please ensure these policies are implemented at your agency within sixty days.

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