

North Sound Mental Health Administration

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From: Chuck Benjamin, Executive Director

Subject: Revised/new policy/document

CA/LOCUS

In reference to Numbered Memorandum 2009-026 regarding CA/LOCUS training plans, NSMHA has reviewed provider input to move straight to establishing a regional inter-rater reliability strategy instead of utilizing the individual agency data based on agency-specific plans. At this time, NSMHA will move forward quickly with the workgroup to address regional inter-rater reliability and will remove the requirement to submit the individual agency data.

Once the regional strategy is developed, NSMHA will want to collect data. The mechanism for this collection will be discussed at the workgroup. Until that time, NSMHA would like to encourage any agencies that have already collected data to share that with the region. NSMHA has received some data already and it seems that any additional data may prove useful in the workgroup process. NSMHA looks forward to moving forward with the workgroup process and appreciates your participation.

PIP

This is an update to Numbered Memorandum 2010-001 regarding the new performance improvement project. During the next 30 days, NSMHA will be reviewing feedback recently received. Upon completion of our review, a numbered memorandum will be sent designating a new implementation start date.

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This revised/new policy/document will be available on the NSMHA website at www.nsmha.org for your future reference.

Please ensure this revised/new policy/document is implemented at your agency within 60 days.

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