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Subject: MHP Exceptions

We have discovered a few providers who employ staff holding MHP exceptions from another RSN. Unfortunately per the Mental Health Division, WAC and NSMHA Policy #1516 MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS AND CERTIFICATION FOR MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS exceptions and waivers are only valid in the RSN where they were granted. Please review your staff qualifications and ensure that anyone who is providing services where MHP status is required meets the requirements of our policy. If a waiver or exception is needed from the NSMHA please contact Wendy Klamp, Quality Manager, for assistance. The policy is posted on our website at <http://nsmha.org/Policies/Default.asp>.