

# North Sound Mental Health Administration

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Subject: Reporting Requirement of Per Diem Services

There has been such confusion on the issue regarding our request that providers not use the bundled codes, Michael and I believe that we should send a numbered memorandum on this subject. Please review the sample below. I promised providers we would get this out by the end of the week.

"The North Sound Mental Health Administration is requesting that providers transmit to NSMHA the individual service codes for High Intensity Treatment and Mental Health Services in a Residential Setting. This allows us to more accurately know the nature of services and pay for the specific services being provided. This means that NSMHA does not want providers to send us the per diem codes for High Intensity Treatment and Mental Health Services in a Residential Setting.

NSMHA will accept the per diem code for Club House services. Follow the State Reporting Instructions for Respite Care Services and Stabilization Services.

NSMHA has notified MHD that we are making this change and we have not received a response from them. If MHD wants the services to be reported to them as a bundled service, NSMHA can and will bundle them at our level and report them in that manner to MHD.

If you have further questions on this, Michael White will act as the lead on this issue for NSMHA."

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