

North Sound Mental Health Administration

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NSMHA Contract Memorandum 2008-007

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From: Chuck Benjamin, Executive Director

Subject: New/Revised Attachment and process regarding contractual requirements

Attachment 1534.01 – Single Bed Cert Fax Form
Please begin utilizing this **revised** attachment effective 3/21/08.

Capacity

Contract language states “*the contractor must notify the NSMHA in writing of any proposed change in capacity. The NSMHA must approve any change that results in reduced capacity*”.

As a provider, should you be unable to provide intake services as contractually obligated to new consumers through Volunteers of America (VOA) Access for any period of time (due to volume, lack of properly credentialed staff, etc.) **you must** notify NSMHA in writing per contract language stated above. Please provide this written notification to Cindy Ainsley, Margaret Rojas and Rebecca Pate as soon as you are aware that a change in capacity is required by your agency. NSMHA will notify VOA and any affected providers.

The written notification **must include** the time period for which this reduction in capacity is requested, the location of the site(s) affected and any exceptions (such as re-admits, LRs, etc.), as well as, a plan to address/prevent future occurrences.

Should the Mental Health Division needed to be notified NSMHA will provide this notification.

The revised attachment is enclosed for your convenience and will be available on the NSMHA website at www.nsmha.org for your future reference.

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Please ensure this attachment and the process for contractual requirement is implemented at your agency immediately.

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Contract File