



## North Sound BH-ASO

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North Sound BH-ASO Memorandum 2023-03

**DATE:** August 1, 2023

**TO:** Provider Network, Community Hospitals, Evaluation and Treatment (E&T) Facilities and County Courts

**FROM:** Michael McAuley, Clinical Manager

**RE:** Court Ordered Less Restrictive Alternative Treatment

North Sound Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization (North Sound BH-ASO) has dedicated funding for any individual who is ineligible for Medicaid that covers all required services for court ordered Less Restrictive Alternative treatment under Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 71.05 and 71.34. This includes funding for Less Restrictive Orders (LROs), Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) and Conditional Releases (CRs).

North Sound BH-ASO has received Court hearing notifications for uninsured individuals discharged on Less Restrictive Alternatives and encourage any provider that is currently serving this population to contact our office to ensure treatment services are covered.

North Sound BH-ASO can support care transitions efforts with providers and local court systems attempting to discharge North Sound BH-ASO eligible individuals back to community settings on LROs, AOT or CR orders.

Please feel free to contact Garrison Whaley-Sharp, North Sound BH-ASO's Regional LR/AOT Coordinator with any questions.

Thank You.

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