



# NORTH SOUND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ORGANIZATION

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### WEBSITE LINKS:

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#### HCA Customer Service

<https://www.hca.wa.gov/health-care-services-supports/apple-health-medicaid-coverage/apple-health-managed-care>

### NEW PROGRAM FUNDING

The 2021 legislative session allocated funding for a number of new behavioral health programs. The North Sound BH-ASO is receiving funding for: Recovery Navigator Program, Behavioral Health Rental Assistance Program, “New Journeys” early intervention early first episode psychosis, Homeless Outreach Stabilization Team, a Children and Youth Crisis Team, and Peer Pathfinders Incarceration Pilot.

### RECOVERY NAVIGATOR PROGRAM

We have released an RFQ to select a lead entity for the Recovery Navigator Program in Skagit, Island, and San Juan counties. Here is the link:

[Requests for Proposals & Qualifications | North Sound BH-ASO \(nsbhaso.org\)](https://www.nsbhaso.org/requests-for-proposals-qualifications-north-sound-bh-aso)

### HOMELESS OUTREACH STABILIZATION PROGRAM [HOST]

We will also be releasing an RFQ to select an agency to administer the “Homeless Outreach Stabilization Team” program. This program establishes a multi-disciplinary team to provide intensive outreach services to persons who are homeless and suffering from substance use or co-occurring substance use disorders and behavioral health conditions. The funding for HOST can be braided with other funding that a behavioral health agency is using for homeless outreach services.

### NEW JOURNEYS

The Health Care Authority will be soliciting interest from North Sound Behavioral Agencies in operating a “New Journeys” program in the North Sound. This program uses a multi-disciplinary team to provide wrap-around treatment services to transition-aged youth and young adults and their families when first diagnosed with psychosis. HCA will also allocate money to the BH-ASO to pay for two non-Medicaid slots.

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## PEER PATHFINDERS INCARCERATION PILOT

Peer Path Finder Incarceration Pilot is a pilot project enhancing the current Peer Path Finder program managed by Lifeline Connections. The project is designed to serve individuals exiting correction facilities in Washington state who have either a serious mental illness or co-occurring conditions.

## COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CBRA)

We have finalized the contracts with providers in Snohomish, Skagit, Whatcom and San Juan Counties to act as the lead entity for the new "Community Behavioral Rental Assistance Program". The program will provide housing assistance to persons suffering from a behavioral health condition, are eligible for a long-term support program, and have a need for long-term housing support with no other payment alternative or network they can rely on. Priority is given to those exiting state psychiatric hospitals, community psychiatric inpatient beds, behavioral health treatment facilities, or local jails. Anyone can refer potentially eligible persons to one of the lead entities listed below:

### **Bridgeways: (Snohomish)**

Referrals: Roger Iino, Director of Clinical Services

Email: [riino@bridgeways.org](mailto:riino@bridgeways.org).

Phone: (425) 513-8213

### **Compass: (San Juan & Snohomish)**

Referrals: Leslie Hodson

Email: [leslie.hodson@compassh.org](mailto:leslie.hodson@compassh.org)

Phone: (425) 349-7902

### **Catholic Community Services: (Skagit)**

Referrals: CCS utilizes **Coordinated Entry/Community Action** Skagit for referrals.

Contact the Community Action Housing Resource Center: (360) 416-7585

CCS Contact: Rita Jo Case [ritajoc@ccsww.org](mailto:ritajoc@ccsww.org) 257-2111 X 6350

### **Lake Whatcom Center: (Whatcom)**

Referrals: Hannah Moore

**Preferred method:** Faxed to 360-676-6006 Attn: Hannah Moore

Or **Securely** E-Mailed to [Hannah.Moore@lwrtc.org](mailto:Hannah.Moore@lwrtc.org)

For any questions: Direct phone line: (360) 398-5021.

### **Lifeline Connections (Skagit & Whatcom)**

Referrals: Lori Auriemma, Housing Supervisor

Email: [Housing\\_help@lifelineconnections.org](mailto:Housing_help@lifelineconnections.org)

Or fax referral form to: Bellingham Fax: (360) 306-8374

Mount Vernon Fax: (360) 899-9164