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# North Sound Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization, LLC

Section 1500 - Clinical: Disaster Preparedness

Authorizing Source: HCA Contract

Approved by: Executive Director Date: 02/16/2021 Signature:

#### **POLICY # 1549.00**

### **SUBJECT: DISASTER PREPAREDNESS**

#### **PURPOSE**

To ensure North Sound Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization (North Sound BH-ASO) complies with all state and federal requirements regarding disaster preparedness.

North Sound BH-ASO is committed to meeting the needs of its enrolled individuals and all residents of our region during disasters. Resources will be prioritized first to those with the greatest need.

#### **POLICY**

North Sound BH-ASO must participate in all disaster preparedness activities and respond to emergency/disaster events (e.g., natural disasters, acts of terrorism) when requested by Health Care Authority (HCA), a County, a Tribe or Indian Health Service facility, or local public health jurisdiction in the North Sound region. North Sound BH-ASO will comply with this policy through its subcontracts with crisis providers.

# **PROCEDURE**

North Sound BH-ASO shall:

- 1. Participate in disaster preparedness activities and respond to emergency/disaster events (e.g., natural disasters, acts of terrorism) when requested by HCA, county, a Tribe or Indian Health Service facility, or local public health jurisdiction, and Tribes.
- 2. Attend state-sponsored training and participate in emergency/disaster preparedness planning when requested by HCA, a county, a Tribe or Indian Health Service facility, or local public health jurisdiction in the region and
- 3. Provide Disaster Outreach and post-Disaster Outreach in the event of a disaster/emergency.

Disaster Outreach Services means contacting persons in their place of residence or in other settings to provide support, education, information and referral to resources in the event of a disaster.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

None