



MEMORANDUM

TO: Jack Louws, County Executive

FROM: ^{RAD} Regina A. Delahunt, Director

RE: North Sound Behavioral Health Organization – Community Partnership Contract

DATE: January 8, 2019

Enclosed is one (1) original of a contract between Whatcom County and North Sound Behavioral Health Organization for your review and signature.

▪ **Background and Purpose**

This contract provides funding to support evidence-based services in the schools and in the community that have been shown to reduce elevated risk factors for substance use disorders and behavioral health issues in Whatcom County. Regionally, funds are distributed by North Sound Behavioral Health Organization (NS BHO) to the County for the development, implementation, maintenance, and evaluation of programs that support prevention and recovery support services for middle school and high school aged students.

▪ **Funding Amount and Source**

Funding in the amount of \$83,438 is provided by Medicaid funds via the NS BHO. These funds are included in the 2019 budget. Council approval is required per RCW 39.34.030(2) for agreements between public agencies.

Please contact Joe Fuller at extension #6045 if you have any questions regarding this agreement.

Encl.

