

RCW 71.24.545 Comprehensive program for treatment—Regional facilities. (1) The authority shall establish by appropriate means a comprehensive and coordinated program for the treatment of persons with substance use disorders and their families, persons incapacitated by alcohol or other psychoactive chemicals, and intoxicated persons.

(2) (a) The program shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, a continuum of substance use disorder treatment services that includes:

- (i) Withdrawal management;
- (ii) Residential treatment; and
- (iii) Outpatient treatment.

(b) The program may include peer support, supported housing, supported employment, crisis diversion, or recovery support services.

(3) All appropriate public and private resources shall be coordinated with and used in the program when possible.

(4) The authority may contract for the use of an approved treatment program or other individual or organization if the director considers this to be an effective and economical course to follow.

(5) Treatment provided under this chapter must be purchased primarily through managed care contracts. Consistent with RCW 71.24.580, services and funding provided through the criminal justice treatment account are intended to be exempted from managed care contracting. [2019 c 325 s 1037; 2018 c 201 s 4041; 2014 c 225 s 25; 1989 c 270 s 18; 1972 ex.s. c 122 s 8. Formerly RCW 70.96A.080.]

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