MENTAL HEALTH POLICY NO.: 90-02

SUBJECT: Admission Policy for Clients on 180-Day Post-Certifications Referred to Cordilleras

AUTHORITY: Division

SUPERSEDES: April 25, 1990

Clients on 180-day post certifications for dangerousness can only be admitted to Cordilleras under the circumstances which are described below:

The treating physician determines that the client has had sufficient acute care and that subacute locked facility care is appropriate.

The treating physician determines that the client’s current condition and the conditions leading to the client’s certification do not present danger to other clients or staff at Cordilleras or the general public.

The referral and placement is approved by the Medical Director, Director of Mental Health Services, Cordilleras Medical Director, and Director of Long Term Care. The Admissions Coordinator for Cordilleras will obtain these approvals.

A placement conference to develop a treatment plan is held with the Cordilleras Medical Director and other appropriate staff.

The admission is approved by the Cordilleras Administrator.

The 180-day certification admission form attached is completed and properly initialed.

The above steps are necessary to insure that only appropriate clients are admitted and that Cordilleras is fully appraised of the client’s clinical condition. A copy of the completed 180-day certification admission form for Cordilleras will be sent by Cordilleras to the monitor and to the County Mental Health Services Director.

Approved: ____________________________
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