

GREATER COLUMBIA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, LLC BH-ASO

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Crisis Stabilization Reference Guide

Greater Columbia Behavioral Health Administrative Service Organization (GCBH BH-ASO) may provide authorization or certification for involuntary treatment act (ITA) admissions to Crisis Stabilization facilities. To receive an authorization, the Individual must reside within the Greater Columbia Region and not be eligible for Apple Health Medicaid benefits.

Voluntary Crisis Stabilization:

Not a covered service at this time as they are provided only if there are available resources (as evaluated by the Finance Director)

If resources are available, Voluntary authorizations are provided based on eligibility and medical necessity.

Involuntary Treatment Act (ITAs)

An individual may be detained to a Crisis Stabilization facility during the Initial 120-hour detention period with a pending bed date at an E&T facility or hospital for the remaining detention period.

Greater Columbia BH-ASO staff will contact the requesting facility within 1-2 business days with notification of certification, and will gather any additional information needed.

All clinical and court documentation must be faxed to the Secure Authorization Fax line: **509-460-5238**