COERCION

Short-Term	Mid-Term	Long-Term	End State
Significantly reduced involuntary	y treatment		
Strategy:	Strategy:	Strategy:	
Research which DAs have had	ACT teams	Early intervention and public	
successes intervening and		health approach to divert	
avoiding involuntary	More capacity in our home	involuntary stays.	
hospitalization.	intervention programs	Research, longitudinal study	
	More room for higher support	for outcomes.	
Ask Crisis and CRT program	without hospitalization.		
managers how they have been		Money to achieve	
able to affect change. Also	Money to achieve		
collect narrative information	Identify with hospitals those	Possible need for attaching	
about successes. What can we	supports that would be funded to	conditions to participation or	
learn from people who are EE	avoid involuntary care.	for licensing to move	
but did not have to stay in the	Work plan developed with	concepts forward.	
hospital.	providers setting options for		
	plans/resources identified in	Payment may need to be	
Money to achieve.	insight phase.	attached for greater	
		complexity, i.e. coercion, to	
Conversations with hospitals	Establish criterion for inpatient	treat and engage sooner to	
about funding alternatives in	treatment needs and outpatient	develop future treatment	
involuntary care.	readiness through dialogue	relationship.	
	between inpatient and community		
Seek Input from inpatient	providers.	Population impact	
providers about insights into		□Children	
factors that could have been in	Reduce risk taking adversity by	□Adults	
place to prevent involuntary	augmenting community resources.	□ Seniors/Elders	
hospitalization.		Other:	
	Ensure that there are not penalties		
	to providers by accepting	Steps:	

Public education to mitigate provider concerns for liability related to Kuligoski decision as that still seems to be a misconception. Re-affirm state commitment, wherever possible, to reduce coercion in all levels of treatment services. Population impact ⊠Children ⊠Adults ⊠Seniors/Elders □Other: Steps:	individuals who may experience re- admissions. Public education regarding the laws of Vermont that support individual choice and civil liberties. Population impact Children Adults Seniors/Elders Other: Steps:		
Strategy:	Strategy:	Strategy:	End State:
Review seven elements of a community mental health services out of recent Mississippi decision. Assess to determine what elements exists in VT. Assess if there adequate capacity to meet the needs.	Look to research of effectiveness to substantiate ask and utilization. Analysis of costs for public support behind it. Establish minimum standards for what resources are needed and where. How much is needed.	Seek adequate legislative funding to assure that all elements are present in all communities. Maximize legislative and private sector monies to leverage development of resources.	Robust resources exist in each community to effectively divert unnecessary involuntary treatment.
Strategy:	Strategy:	Strategy:	Strategy:

Explore what is needed to		Local hospitals will create	People who are hospitalized can
expect all hospitals to accept	Get buy-in from critical access	psychiatric capacity.	access care at local hospitals.
patients.	hospitals to add some inpatient		
	psychiatric capacity.	Population impact	Population impact
Open dialogue and create		□Children	□Children
workgroup with hospitals to	Access to local psychiatric	□Adults	□Adults
understand local desire for	treatment, voluntary, can reduce	□Seniors/Elders	□Seniors/Elders
psychiatric care close to home.	the need for involuntary care.	□Other:	□Other:
Identify concerns and determine any changes needed	Make safer to seek care locally.	Steps:	Steps:
in legislation that will be	Develop staff training and		
needed to support the end	expertise to address psychiatric		
goal.	care needs of patients.		
Identify what is needed to feel competent to manage patient care.	Develop legislative language that supports inpatient hospitals to accept patient with a mental illness.		
Address gap of preventive			
options/care to lead hospitals			
to greater level of comfort in			
taking psychiatric patients.			