





**Illinois at the Intersection of Behavioral Health and Justice:
A Look at the Early Intercepts**

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**Honorable Elizabeth A. Robb (ret.)
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Committee for Justice and Mental Health Planning**

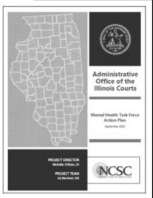


- Established Special Supreme Court Advisory Committee for Justice and Mental Health Planning
- Adopted PSC Certification Standards
- Regional Judicial Opioid Initiative: Project Echo
- Assumed Leadership Role on the CCI-COSCA National Judicial Task Force to Examine the State Court's Response to Mental Illness
- Convened Illinois Mental Health Task Force
- Created Behavioral Health Administrator Role in AOIC
- November 2022: Supreme Court Approved the Mental Health Action Plan

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Illinois Mental Health Task Force Action Plan

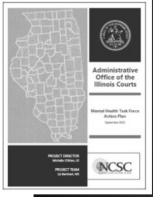
Approved by the Illinois Supreme Court to serve as a guide for the Illinois Courts, communities, agencies, institutions, and organizations as together, we seek to improve the justice system response to individuals living with mental illnesses and co-occurring substance use disorders.



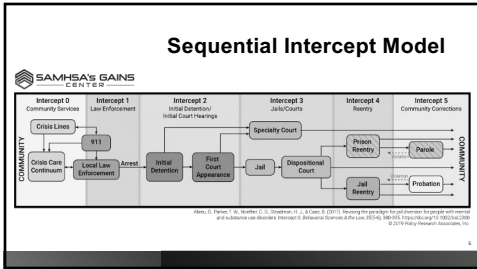
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Action Plan Overview

- Courts as Conveners and Leaders
- Training Opportunities Across Intercepts
- Awareness Across Intercepts
- Intercepts Zero and One – Community Services and Law Enforcement
- Intercept Two – Initial Detention and Court Hearings
- Intercept Three – Jails/Courts
- Intercept Four – Reentry
- Intercept Five – Community Corrections



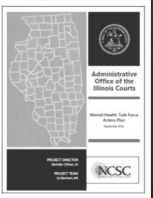
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Notable Areas of Focus

- Courts as Conveners and Leaders
- Cross Disciplinary Awareness
- Early Intercept Deflection and Diversion
- Fitness to Stand Trial Reform
- Evidence-Based Treatments
- Problem-Solving Courts
- Peers/Lived Experience Workforce



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Panel Member Introductions

David Albert: Director, Division of Mental Health, Illinois Department of Human Services

David T. Jones: Chief Behavioral Health Officer, Office of the Illinois Governor

Laura Garcia: Director, Division of Substance Use Prevention and Recovery, Illinois Department of Human Services

William Blundell: Problem-Solving Courts Manager, Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts

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Resources

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