Admission Decision Tree
Referrals to ED from

Self/Family	**Jail**	**MHD/Police**	**Psych Clinic**	**Hospitals**	**Community Agency/ Providers**
Patient presents with c/o harming others or becomes physically aggressive in the ED	Jail calls saying prisoner is suicidal or psychotic.	Officer presents with individual who does not have charges pending but does have history or is currently violent/ assaultive or physically aggressive.	Patient/family present with c/o patient harming others or patient becomes physically aggressive in the clinic.	Hospital wants to transfer patient.	Requests admission of violent/assaultive or physically aggressive individual.
Action to Take	**Action to Take**	**Action to Take**	**Action to Take**	**Action to Take**	**Action to Take**
Emergency room physician orders emergency medication for patient. ED calls campus police. Informs campus police that patient needs to be taken to jail.	Inform jail staff that we cannot accept prisoners with charges pending or filed. Inform jail staff to contact contracted psychiatrist or Vernon State Hospital for admission.	Inform officer that individual needs to be taken to jail and evaluated by the contract psychiatrist for the jail.	Call campus police. Ask campus police to notify Galveston police for transport of individual to jail. MH evaluation to be completed by contract psychiatrist at the jail.	Ask if patient has any legal charges pending or filed for violent/assaultive or physically aggressive behavior. If so, notify hospital that they will need to contact their local police department for transport of individual to their local jail. Ask if patient is currently or has a history of violent/ assaultive or physically aggressive behavior. If so, inform the hospital to contact their local police department or mental health deputy.	Have provider contact local police department for transport of individual to local jail.