

## NOTES

### PSYCHIATRIC MEDICATIONS TASK GROUP

July 3, 2008

#### Present

Bard Hill – DAIL  
Ron Clark – OVHA  
Marion Paris – DCF  
John Pandiani – DMH  
Bill McMains – DMH  
By phone  
Delores Burroughs-Biron – DOC  
Ron Smith – DOC

#### Graphs

We reviewed the graphs on “Vermont Prisoners Incarcerated During al Four Quarters of CY2007”. In general it seemed accurate to meeting participants. Further issues requested to look at

- Pull out Trazadone from anti-depressants and reclassify as sleep aids.
- Develop category of sleep aids
- DOC will send sleep medications info to JP
- DOC will send information on use of Seroquel as a sleep medication

It was noted VT has four times the use of psychiatric medications in corrections as the national average and twice the next state. DOC will send this information to the group and will send what medications by category are included in this definition of psychiatric medications.

DB-B asked to see what data showed outcome of review of diagnoses and medication regimes of new intakes to corrections facilities. The group decided to make this a report project. JP will work with DOC to establish data bits needed and analyze them.

Will follow up at the next meeting, July 24, 10:30-11:30, DMH conf room.