

Grass Roots, Multi-Organizational Efforts in Support of Human Rights in Mental Illness

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Shared Beliefs

- Truth
- Justice
- American Way

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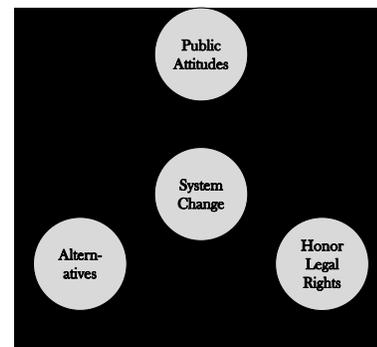
Three Key Areas

- Public Education
- Alternatives
- Strategic Litigation

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Three Factors Reinforce Each Other



Public Attitudes

- Establish Relationships
- Speakers (Talking Heads)
- Promote Stories
- Make Stories

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Alternatives

- Need for Own Sake
- Litigation Can Require
- Litigation Needs

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Strategic Litigation

- 10% of Commitments; No Forced Drugging (or Electroshock) Legal (jg)
- Rights Not Being Enforced (Duh)
- Appeals
- 42 USC § 1983
- Force Alternatives
- Need Alternatives

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Key Organizations ICSPP, MindFreedom & PsychRights

- Shared Goals
- Complementary
- Need A Strategy and Implementation

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ICSPP, MindFreedom & PsychRights Strengths

	ICSPP	MindFreedom	PsychRights
Talking Heads	XXXXXX	XX	X
Alternatives	XXXXXX	XX	XXX
Expert Witnesses	XXX		
People Power	XX	XXXXXXXX	X
Make News	X	XXXXXXXX	XXXX
Legal Resources			XXX
Educating Attorneys	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX

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Recommendations

- Committee or Some Other Formal Organizational Tie
- Contribute \$\$\$/Joint Fundraising
- Public Relations Person Most Important Thing
- Accurate List/Description of Alternatives Next
 - ICSPP & ISPS Listservs doing referrals

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