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Strategies for Successful Reintegration

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Learning Objectives

- Provide education of service options for the use of peers in treating consumers in the criminal justice system.
- Identify processes in place to establish and maintain relationships with the criminal justice system.
- Increase understanding of the impact of substance abuse on the number of individuals involved in the criminal justice system.





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Peer Recovery and Criminal Justice

- Peer Recovery at Hamilton Center, Inc. started with the creation of sustainable relationships in criminal justice organizations
- Peers were introduced sharing background and experience with criminal justice leaders
- Criminal justice entities realized the importance in motivation to change through peer support and lived experience



Peer Recovery and Criminal Justice - Success

- Hamilton Center began facilitating peer services in December 2016
- The use of peer recovery expanded in the organization for addiction services in outpatient and residential settings
- Community leaders from criminal justice organizations began requesting peer services
- Since the inception of peer services over 300 unique clients have engaged with a peer

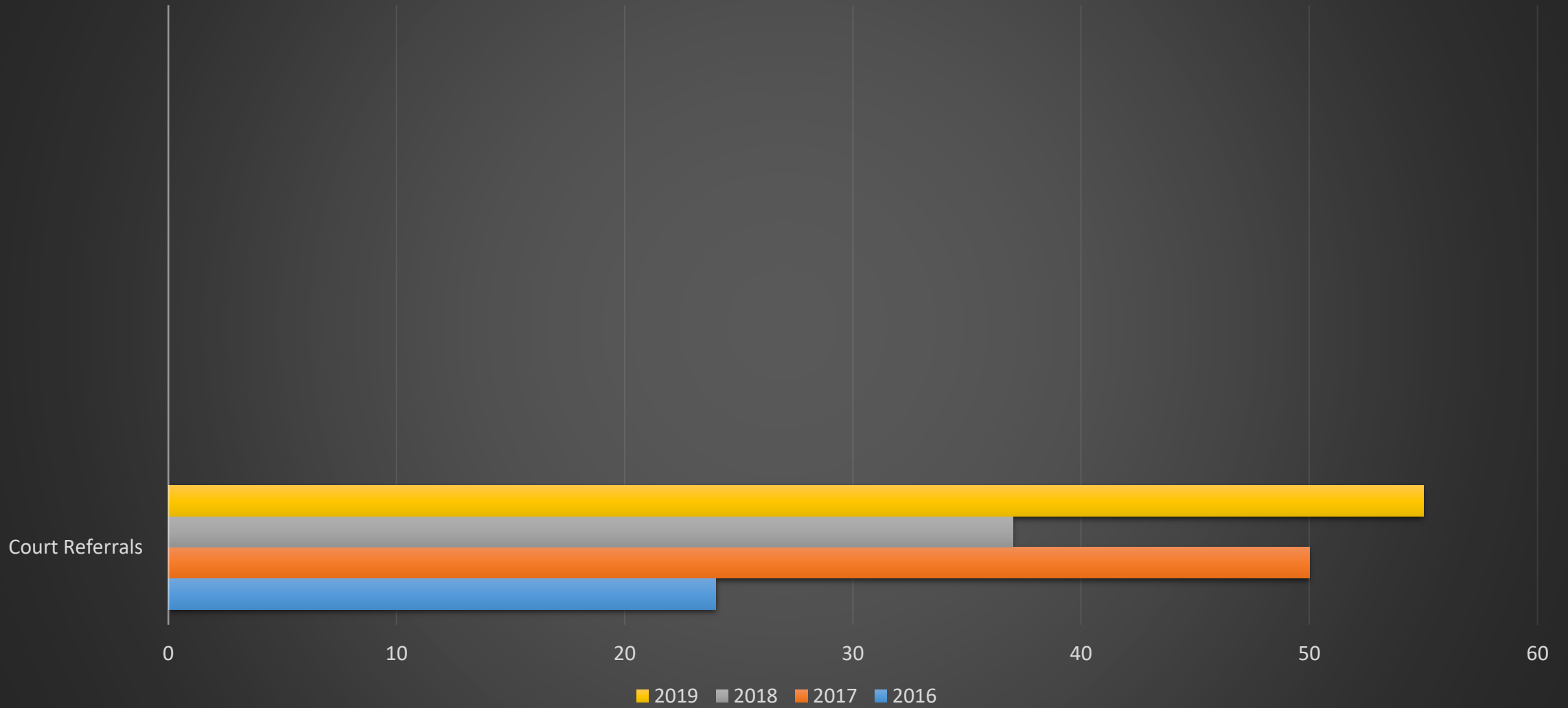


Jail Pilot – How It Started

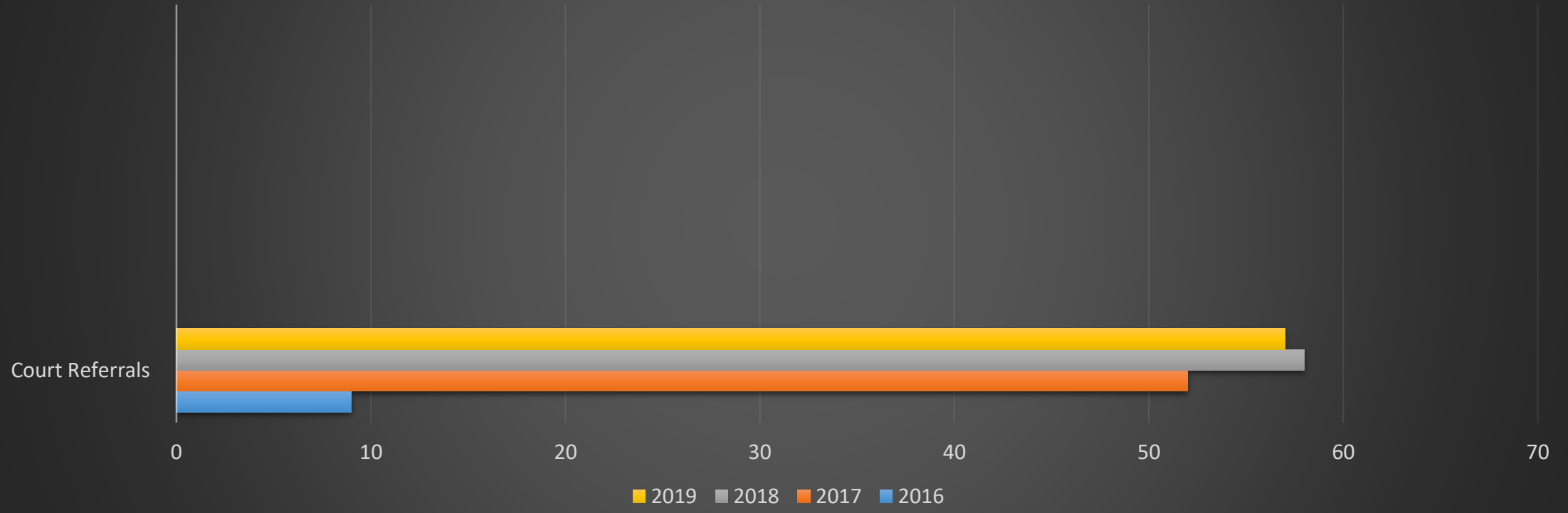
- Grant funded-Recovery Works
- Started in 2017 with three counties, Sullivan, Vigo, Vermillion
- Male and female facilitator with lived experience – Vermillion



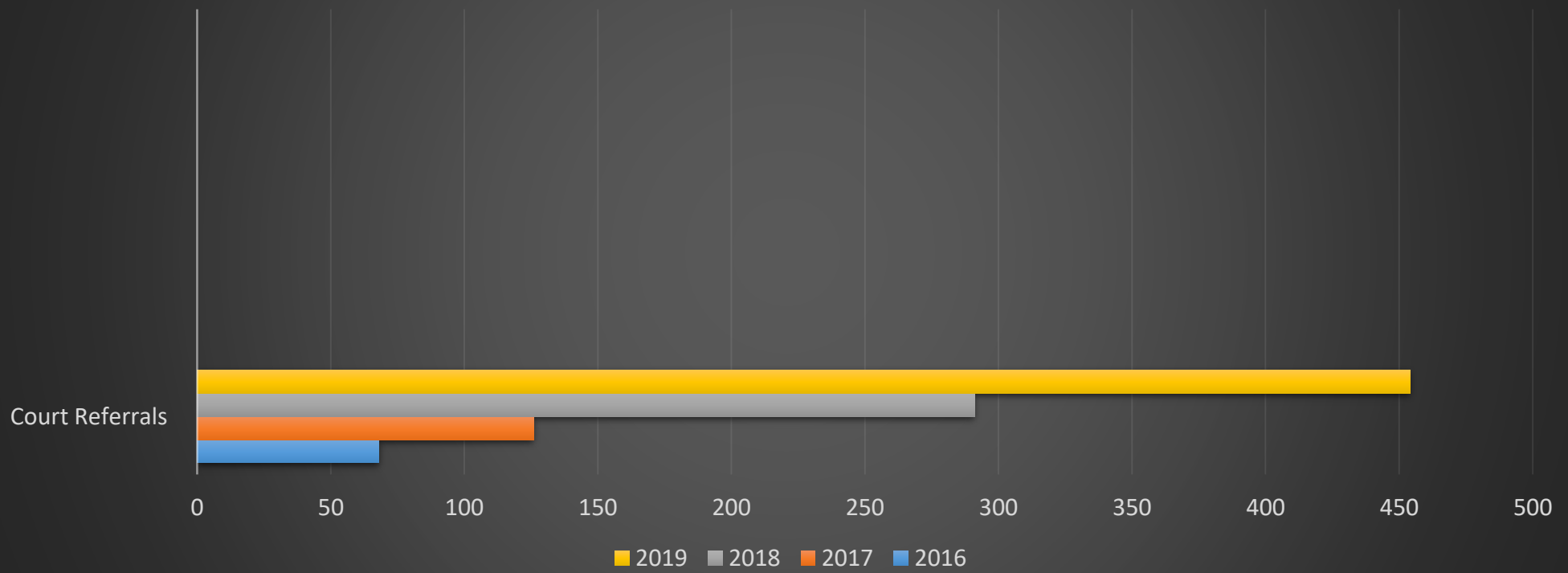
Sullivan County Referrals



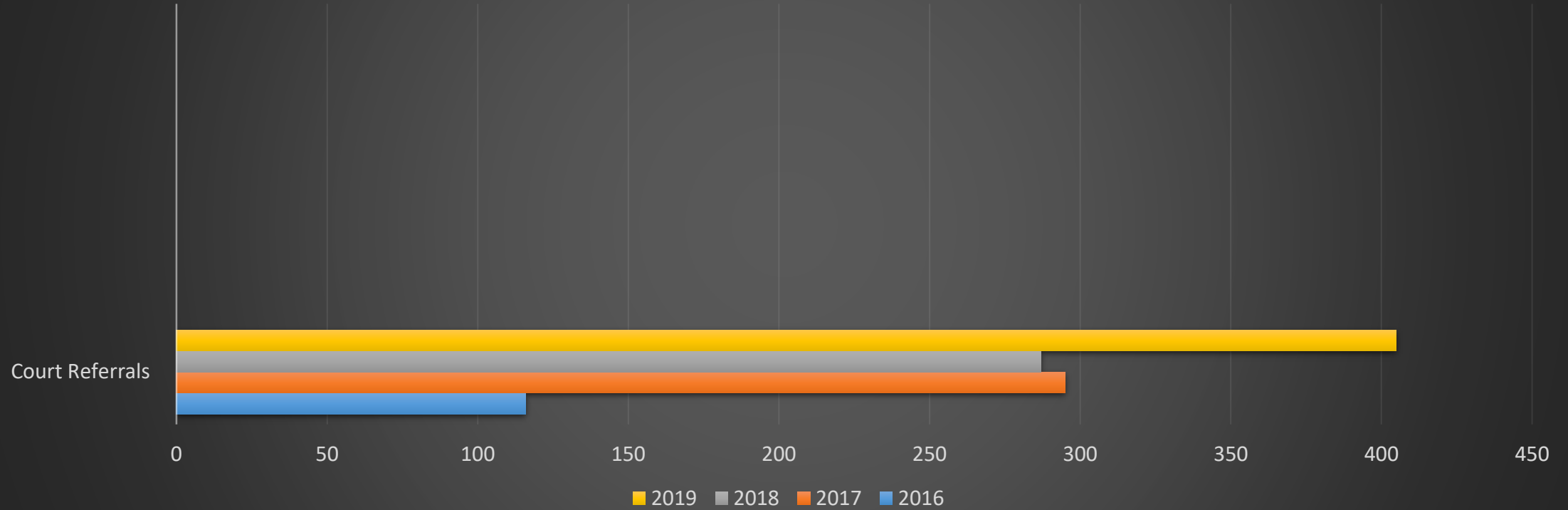
Vermillion County Referrals



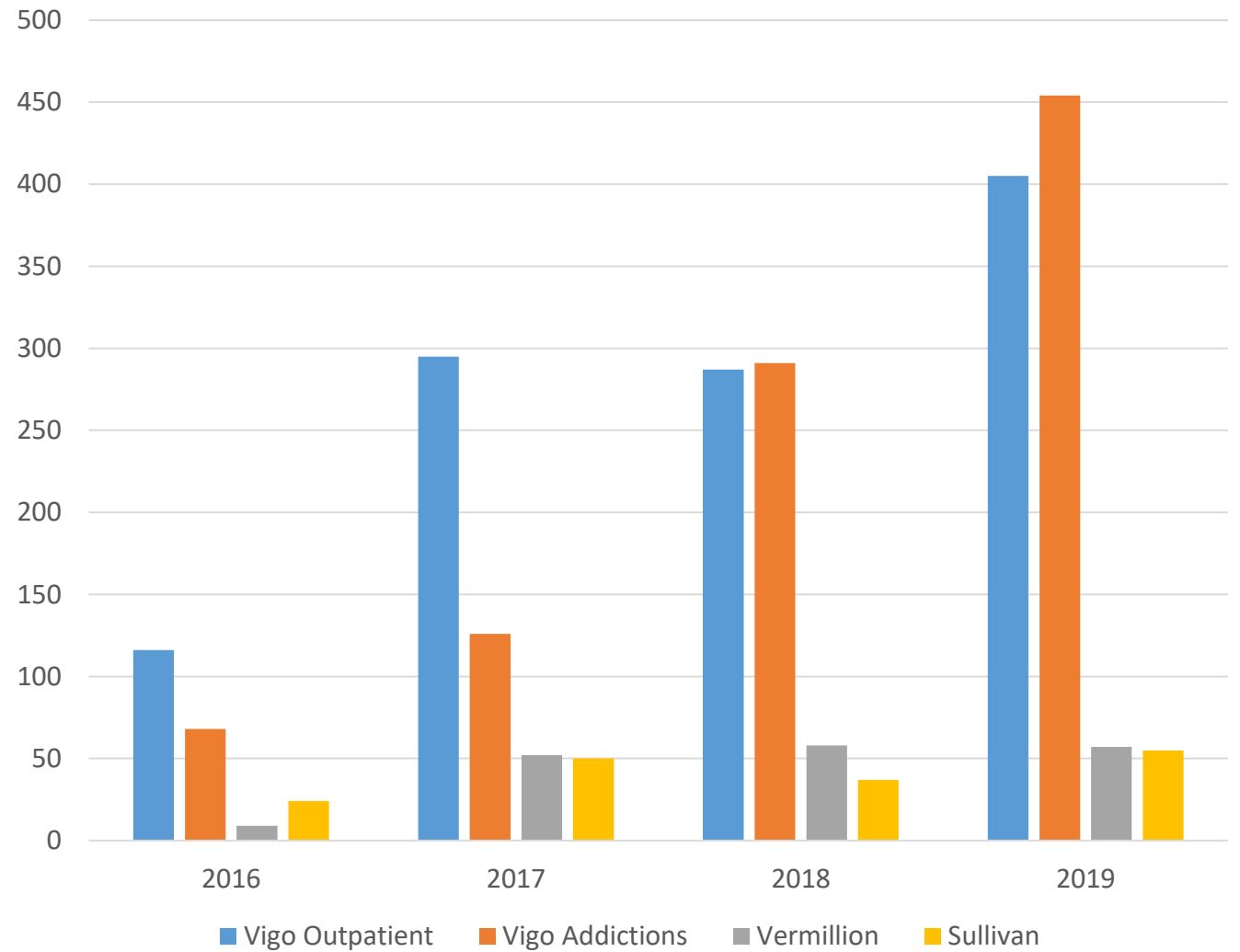
Vigo County Referrals – Addictions



Vigo County Referrals-Outpatient



Court Referrals by Site





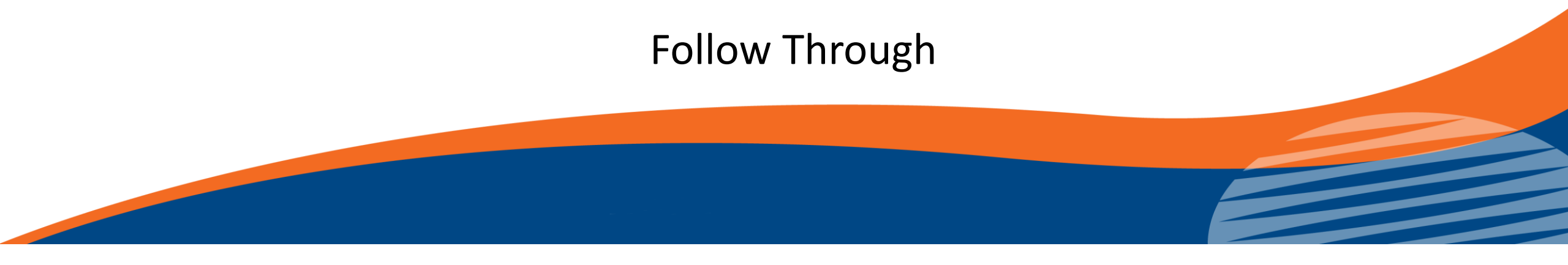
Jail Pilot – Success

Communication



Follow Up

Follow Through



Drug Court

Members - Judge, Prosecutor, Drug Court Coordinator, Drug Court Case Manager(s), treatment providers, and defense attorneys, local law enforcement and sober-living coordinators.

Hamilton Center involvement includes a Therapist, Care Manager and Peer Recovery Specialist. Hamilton Center attends weekly staffing with Drug Court staff to discuss referrals into the program.



Drug Court Success

- Hamilton Center serves 54 of the 60 consumers in this problem-solving court
- Peers assist with ensuring consumers are connected to recovery related resources and necessary support according to expectations of the court and treatment team
- Peers continue with consumer engagement upon program completion



Jail Linkage

- The Jail Linkage Program (JLP) is designed to assist offenders identified with a substance use disorder to better understand and engage in the treatment process. Hamilton Center began service provision for JLP in 2000
- The program consists of six weeks of treatment and is a collaboration between Hamilton Center and the Vigo County Sheriff's office
- There is a male and a female program



Jail Linkage

- The male program utilizes a 14-bed pod within the jail
- The female program is conducted on site at the jail; however they do not utilize a pod to house those individuals
- This program also operates as an alternative sentencing option for local courts and assists with jail overcrowding



Jail Linkage – Success

- Hamilton Center involvement includes a Therapist, Care Manager and Peer Recovery Specialist
 - 64 referrals July 2019-March 2020
 - 16 refused evaluation
 - 4 waiting for evaluation
 - 21 evaluated and unable to start program due to reasons of release or behavior
 - 23 completed successfully
- Local judges have come to rely on the JLP as part of alternative sentencing



Transitional Living

- Oak Street, a nine-bed male facility, and Eagle Street, an nine-bed female facility, are owned and operated by Hamilton Center
- This is a 90-day minimum program consisting of highly structured SUD and Behavioral Health services
- Most of the referrals for Oak and Eagle are through the Criminal Justice system
- We receive referrals from all counties within the catchment area



Transitional Living – Success

- Oak and Eagle have an assigned peer for each house
- Peers engage consumers weekly in support services to assist with goals for recovery
- Peers continue engagement with consumers after program completion

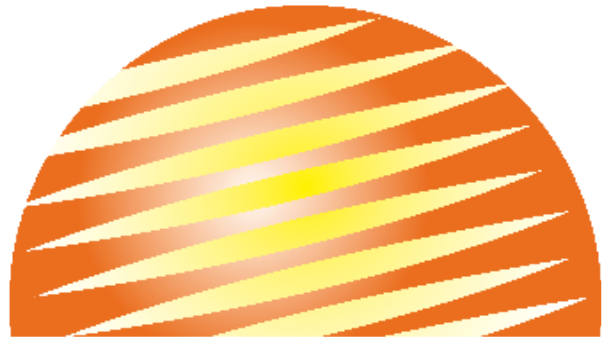


REFERRALS



Referral Process

- Hamilton Center established an e-mail-based referral system for all court and criminal justice referrals.
- E-mails are received by designated staff who forward to providers completing the assessments.
- E-mail referrals are submitted by local judges, attorneys, community corrections staff, and jail staff.



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Collaboration

Hamilton Center staff have ongoing collaboration with members of the criminal justice programs by maintaining established routes of communication

- Weekly staffing with Drug Court team
- Ongoing monthly meetings with local judges to address issues and concerns
- Collaborative process for completion of referrals and follow up on consumer needs



Questions?





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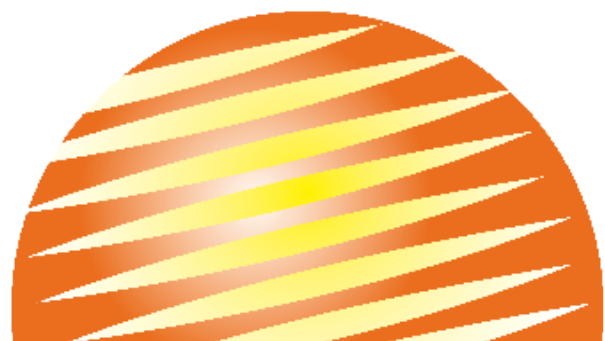
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