

1 VERMONT MEDICAL SOCIETY RESOLUTION

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3 Forensic Mental Health Infrastructure in Vermont

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5 *As adopted at the VMS Annual Meeting on November 2, 2019*

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7 **RESOLVED**, that the Vermont Medical Society recommends to the Vermont General Assembly  
8 to allocate resources to conduct a formal study to address: 1) treatment and monitoring in  
9 community and hospital settings for persons found not competent to stand trial in Vermont; 2)  
10 models for competency to stand trial restoration in community, hospital, and correctional  
11 settings; and be it further

12 **RESOLVED**, that the study would examine existing forensic mental health care structures by  
13 both reviewing existing literature and conversation and through collaboration with forensic  
14 mental health leadership in other states. The study findings would be synthesized to produce  
15 specific treatment and management recommendations for 1) individuals found not guilty by  
16 reason of insanity (insanity acquittees) and 2) recommendations for competency restoration for  
17 individuals found not competent to stand trial.