- (2) If admission is denied because of the determination of the geriatric evaluation team, the team shall:
  - (i) Inform the individual; and
- (ii) Help the individual obtain the less restrictive form of care or treatment that the geriatric evaluation team finds would be adequate for the needs of the individual.

10-617.

- (a) A facility or Veterans' Administration hospital may not admit the individual under Part III of this subtitle unless:
  - (1) The individual has a mental disorder;
  - (2) The individual needs inpatient care or treatment;
- (3) The individual presents a danger to the life or safety of the individual or of others;
- (4) The individual is unable or unwilling to be admitted voluntarily; and
- (5) There is no available, less restrictive form of intervention that is consistent with the welfare and safety of the individual.
- (b) (1) In addition to the limitations in subsection (a) of this section, a STATE facility may not admit an individual who is 65 years old or older unless a geriatric evaluation team determines that there is no available, less restrictive form of care or treatment that is adequate for the needs of the individual.
- (2) If admission is denied because of the determination of the geriatric evaluation team, the team shall:
  - (i) Inform the applicant; and
- (ii) Help the applicant obtain the less restrictive form of care or treatment that the team finds would be adequate for the needs of the individual.

10-632.

- (a) Any individual proposed for involuntary admission under Part III of this subtitle shall be afforded a hearing to determine whether the individual is to be admitted to a facility as an involuntary patient or released without being admitted.
- (b) The hearing shall be conducted within 5 working days of the date of the initial confinement of the individual.