**Does client want to leave the hospital today AMA?**

**If YES**, have a hearing.

**If NO,**

1. [If you can postpone the hearing] Does the client think s/he might want to leave AMA by the next hearing date? **Postpone with discussion of what the client might want to prepare for the hearing (e.g. for GD, need plan, 3rd party, etc)**
2. If the client knows that they do not want to leave AMA,
   1. Do they want to be a voluntary patient? **Negotiate voluntary status and/or conduct voluntariness hearing:** 
      1. Discuss implications of voluntary status
      2. Discuss possibility of negotiation and/or hearing
      3. Come up with back-up plan if unable to get vol status (e.g. waiver)
   2. Do they want to stay on the hold and wait for doctor to decide? 🡪 Assess for knowing **WAIVER**: Does client
      1. Know that they are in hospital for mental health tx?
      2. Understand that they are on a 14-day involuntary mental health hold?
      3. Understand that the doctor can keep them in hospital until the end of the hold?
      4. Understand that they have right to hearing if they want to leave AMA?
      5. Understand that by waiving, they are giving up their opportunity to have hearing in hospital?

**If you do not know what the client wants,**

**POSTPONE** if you can.

If you cannot postpone, then request a **CHART REVIEW** for client, ask permission to review client’s chart, and invite client to attend.