



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS & PROBATION

Service Interpretive Guidelines **Electronic Monitoring**

SERVICE DESCRIPTION:

Electronic monitoring (EM) is as an electronic system that provides the probation/problem solving court officer a report about whether the youth is at home when he/she is required to remain home. Electronic monitoring service is a tool to assist in creating a daily schedule to aid in the supervision of youth through notifications of their location and provides alerts to probation officers when the daily schedule has not been followed.

There are two types of EM available:

- **GPS** – Global Positioning System for individuals that pose a risk to individuals or persons
- **EM** – intended for stabilization involving structured scheduling and whereabouts (i.e. monitoring when the person is gone and away from home)

TARGET POPULATION:

This service would benefit youth identified as high risk to the community, youth should have at least 3 high domains such as Family/Parenting, Peer Relations, Attitudes/Orientation and are at risk for out-of-home placement.

Electronic Monitoring should be used as an alternative for detention, for those youth who would otherwise be detained. This service will not be used when a youth has a positive urine analysis (UA), when skipping school, or as punishment. Service can assist in establishing a daily schedule and/or enhance supervision while maintaining the youth in the community.

PROBATION/PROBLEM SOLVING COURT OFFICER (OFFICER) RESPONSIBILITIES

- Officer will authorize EM services for up to 30 days and will staff for service to remain in place
- Officer must provide a referral with goals reflective of the court order and linked to the high domains
- Officer will ensure EM staff is invited to participate in family team meetings
- Officer and EM staff will communicate to ensure the EM staff understands the youth's case management goals
- Officer will verify progress is being made. If progress is not shown, provider will supply rationale as to what changes will be made to initiate progress
- If the officer receives notification of a low/dead battery, they will follow up with attempting phone contact with the youth/family within 1 hour of receiving this notification

- If the officer receives notification of a cut strap/tamper, they will follow up with attempting phone contact with the youth/family within 1 hour of receiving this notification
- Officer will attend and participate in the initial installation of the EM with the family and provider, to assist with setting expectations and answering any questions
- Officer will complete engagements outlining initiation, progress and discontinuance of use of the service.
- Upload all documents to the information management systems