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ADULT COURT SERVICES MONTHLY CHECK-IN

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THE HOME DETENTION CHECK-IN

This month's focus is **Home Detention** Electronic Monitoring, one of our most detailed and closely monitored programs. Every requirement within this program has a purpose, and understanding those details helps ensure success for everyone involved. If questions arise, remember: ACS is the best source for information regarding home detention.

See you at the next check-in! *Diana Winn*

Adult Court Services Home Detention Program...

Home Detention can be granted as a **condition of bond**, in **lieu of bond**, **pre-sentence**, or in lieu of serving **commit time** or **shock time** in the Boone County Jail.

Take a look on page 2 for an overview of the home detention process, from the court's initial consideration of home detention, through eligibility review, and the court's ruling on home detention.

HOME PLAN

Before placement, a home plan must be approved by Adult Court Services. The residence must be an established home; non-traditional locations typically cannot be approved due to equipment needs and program requirements. The proposed home also must not conflict with any existing court orders, such as **"no contact"** or **"not to be on the premises of."**

To verify a home plan and approve the residence, documentation is required. Acceptable proof includes a current **lease**, property **deed**, or paid **real estate tax receipt**. If the defendant does not own or lease the residence, the owner or lessee must appear in person at Adult Court Services with a valid photo ID to **sign a residential consent form**. This step ensures transparency and cooperation before the electronic monitoring equipment is installed.

See page 3 of this newsletter for the ***Basic Requirements for Eligibility.***



CLEAR YOUR DESKS AND PUT AWAY ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES, IT'S TIME FOR A ***POP QUIZ!***

TRUE OR FALSE

1. A landline telephone is required for placement on home detention

2. Defendants residing in public housing must obtain advanced permission from the Columbia Housing Authority (C.H.A.) and provide documentation of approval to ACS.

3. The Court can order a defendant to be placed on home detention without first ordering a home detention study.

4. Defendants must write down and remember their schedule if allowed out time

5. It is a crime for unauthorized individuals to remove an anklet



How did you do? See page 4 for answers!

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Home Detention Process

Court Orders Home Detention Study

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ACS Interviews Defendant

- In custody - phone interview
- Not In custody - defendant to contact ACS

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ACS writes and efiles Eligibility Report

If defendant is *not* *eligible for placement on home detention with ACS the reason(s) why are listed in this report*

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Court Ruling

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Granted by Court

Pretrial: ACS will coordinate pick-up with jail and contact those responsible for providing the defendant a ride home.

Commit: ACS schedules start date with defendant

Denied by Court

Pretrial: An additional home detention study is not needed unless circumstances have changed

Commit: The court will order the defendant to report to the Boone County Jail on a certain date and time.

When will home detention start?

Several factors can affect ACS's ability to place the defendant on the monitoring program

- **Change in Eligibility**: Any change in circumstances (*such as home plan*) may impact eligibility for home detention
- **Equipment Availability**: Electronic monitoring devices are issued based on availability. Limited equipment will delay placement.
- **Staff Availability**: ACS officers are responsible for both transporting defendants from the Boone County Jail and installing monitoring equipment. Placement may be delayed if staffing or scheduling limits arise.

ACS works to complete placements as efficiently as possible while maintaining program integrity and community safety.

BASIC REQUIREMENTS FOR HOME DETENTION ELIGIBILITY

ACS interviews defendants to determine eligibility

Home Plan

"Residence" is an established home: house, trailer, apartment, duplex etc.
Out-of-county residences are not eligible for pretrial electronic monitoring
Out-of-county residences *may* be considered for eligible for home detention in lieu of commit or "shock" time.

X Not approved: hotel/motel, fraternity house, sorority house, dorm, tent, camper, barn/shed with extension cord from established residence
*Residence must have electricity

X Not approved: Housing Authority *unless written permission is obtained from C.H.A.

Residence must not violate any court order
X No contact with _____ or X Not to be on the premises of _____

Documentation Required

- Copy of current **lease**, **deed**, or paid **real estate taxes**.
- If the owner or lessee is someone *other than the defendant*, they must appear in person at Adult Court Services with a valid **photo ID** to **sign a Residential Consent Form**, acknowledging and permitting the defendant to reside in their home while participating in the Home Detention Program.

Defendant must agree to placement on the home detention program

- Wear an electronic monitor
- Alcohol/GPS monitoring
- Follow a set weekly schedule
- Approved Employment
  - Set weekly schedule,
  - Verifiable income
  - No on-call schedule, no overnights
  - Not violate any court order
- Follow basic instructions given by ACS

No Prior Revocation from home detention

No outstanding warrants

- M.U.L.E.S. Check
- If in custody - defendant not eligible unless home detention will be granted in all cases

HOME DETENTION QUIZ ANSWERS

1

FALSE – A landline telephone is no longer required for placement on home detention. However, **participants must maintain a working phone** while enrolled in the home detention program.

2

TRUE – Defendants residing in public housing must obtain advance permission from the Columbia Housing Authority (C.H.A.) and provide documentation of approval to ACS. **Residents must comply with C.H.A.'s Crime-Free Housing policy**, and it is the C.H.A.'s decision whether a participant may reside on their property while on home detention.

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TRUE – The Court *can* order a defendant to be placed on home detention without first ordering a home detention study. However, before placement, ACS **must still verify** home plan, willingness to participate, and pending warrants,

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FALSE – Defendants are *not* required to write down or memorize their schedules if they are granted out time. ACS's monitoring agency utilizes a **smartphone app** that displays each defendant's approved schedule. All participants are scheduled a weekly check-in with Adult Court Services. Defendants can view real-time updates, and the app notifies them 30 minutes before their scheduled out-time ends.

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TRUE – It is a crime for unauthorized individuals to remove an electronic monitoring anklet. The Class D felony of Tampering with Electronic Monitoring Equipment is defined in §575.205, RSMo..