

ELECTRONIC MONITORING

An Electronic Monitor (EM) is a GPS tracking unit that is used as a court-ordered diversion for short-term out of home placement in a non-secure setting or secure detention facility. The purpose of this program is to safely maintain and monitor youth in their own homes and communities. Youth remain in their residence unless pre-approved for school, work, and other specific appointments.

Program rules are shared with the youth and family at the time the monitor is installed. While on EM, youth are contacted regularly by Youth Justice staff. Violations are reported to Youth Justice staff for review.

Parents are responsible for paying a daily EM fee. The estimated costs are \$6.00 per day. Additional costs may be incurred if the unit is damaged or broken. Columbia County contracts with JusticePoint for EM equipment rental and uses Attenti Group for unit monitoring.