



SCRAM_x

Programs for Probation

The Paradox of Public Opinion

As paradigms in the corrections industry shift to better and more cost-effectively balance treatment and offender reform with traditional enforcement, probation faces what criminologists often call the “paradox of public opinion.” Regarding non-violent offenders, this issue refers to the community’s desire for more effective punishment, but less incarceration.

When this dilemma pertains to alcohol offender management, SCRAM_x[®] (Secure Continuous Remote Alcohol Monitor) provides a proven alternative to incarceration that enables you to comprehensively serve the best interests of the public, the offender, and your probation department.

Because SCRAM_x monitors for alcohol 24/7 and includes the option of house arrest for higher-risk offenders, it facilitates your swift and certain response to probationer behavior, drives personal accountability, and extends sobriety with unprecedented results. For probation officers, SCRAM_x gives you a means to deter drinking, rehabilitate repeat offenders, manage your caseload more efficiently, ensure safer neighborhoods, and meet your constituency’s expectations for more meaningful outcomes.

The SCRAM_x Advantage for Probation

- **Enforceable Accountability**
Ensures evidence-based compliance with terms of alcohol abstinence and home confinement
- **Community Safety**
Promotes sobriety to enable non-violent probationers to continue to work, pay taxes, make restitution, and behave responsibly while under supervision
- **Case Management**
Provides exception-based reports to focus supervision efforts on probationers who need it most
- **Rehabilitation**
Supports treatment by promoting long-term abstinence, changes in thinking and behavior, and a self-directed commitment to recovery
- **Jail Overcrowding**
Provides an effective alternative to address technical and other probation violations
- **Cost Reduction**
Preserves funding levels and tax dollars through probationer-paid fees and avoidance of incarceration
- **Court Validation**
Assures monitoring results, with SCRAM_x data ruled admissible in 75+ evidentiary hearings and two Appellate Court decisions
- **Program Results**
Offers a self-sustaining and well-defined program model with measurable, publicly relevant outcomes

Of the 4.3 million probationers nationwide, 25% were convicted of drug/alcohol violations or DUI – equating to one million substance-abusing individuals in the system

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continuous alcohol monitoring + house arrest



Who Is Monitored by SCRAM_x

Continuous Alcohol Monitoring (CAM)

- Repeat DUI probationers
- First-time DUI probationers (with aggravated circumstances)
- Felony probationers who are court ordered to terms of alcohol abstinence
- Domestic violence probationers
- Underage drinking probationers

Alcohol Monitoring plus House Arrest

- Non-violent probationers who can serve probation at home to ease jail overcrowding
- Technical, drinking, or tampering violators who need additional sanctions
- Higher-risk probationers who may pose a threat to public safety

SCRAM_x in the Real World

SCRAM_x Adjustable Contingency Model™ in Action

- Respond to a probationer's behavior – swiftly, appropriately, and remotely
- Gradually intensify or reduce the conditions of CAM and/or house arrest to sanction noncompliance and reward compliance
- Generate more productive outcomes and reduce recidivism

Case Study

During his second week on probation for possession with intent to sell illicit drugs, Dan – a non-violent repeat offender in his late 40's – is rearrested for DUI. Originally, Dan was ordered to biweekly drug testing. Although he managed to test negative during two weeks' worth of drug tests, Dan turned to – and misused – alcohol as his “drug of choice” in the interim.

Now, in addition to drug testing, you order Dan to SCRAM_x for continuous alcohol monitoring plus house arrest. Two years ago, following a conviction for his first DUI, Dan had undergone twice-daily breathalyzer tests. But rather than abstaining as ordered, he quickly mastered the technique for “drinking around” the testing periods. Two days after you install the SCRAM_x bracelet, however, the system alerts you of a confirmed drinking event. You immediately sanction Dan's violation by requiring treatment and extending the length of his monitoring period. Dan quickly realizes that, unlike point-in-time testing methods, the SCRAM_x technology clearly detects and demands 24/7 accountability.

In addition to alcohol monitoring, SCRAM_x helps you cover all bases as Dan's authorized leave and return times allow him ample time to attend counseling, drug testing, and probation office visits, but insufficient time to engage in any post-conviction drug sales.

INTENSIFY

Intensify the conditions of CAM and/or house arrest for built-in sanctioning options

REDUCE

Reduce or remove the conditions of CAM and/or house arrest to provide incentives



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