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I. POLICY

Alternatives to Secure Detention Programs shall be established for the purpose of providing a comprehensive continuum of community based programs, services and facilities for juveniles who require varying levels of custody and supervision on a temporary basis pending further legal action. Juveniles shall be placed in the least restrictive and most appropriate setting available to foster the safety of the juvenile, the safety of the public and to ensure that the juvenile will appear as ordered in court.

II. APPLICABILITY

This policy shall apply to all Detention Alternative Coordinators.

III. DEFINITIONS

Refer to DJJPP 700.

IV. PROCEDURES

- A. The Detention Alternatives Coordinator (DAC) shall be responsible for the supervision and coordination of the Alternative Programs to Secure Detention operated by DJJ.
- B. All juveniles shall be provided, in writing or in a language the juvenile understands, information that specifies the rights, responsibilities, behavior expectations, rules, and consequences for rule violations within the Alternative to Detention Program. The information shall clearly explain the grievance procedure for juveniles to follow in the alternative program. Each juvenile shall sign a form verifying that they have received a copy of the information and understand its contents.
- C. The following continuum, listed from least to most restrictive, shall be developed to the extent feasible:
 - 1. Home Detention

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2. Court Resource Homes
3. Staff-Secure Shelters

D. Electronic Monitoring

1. The DAC or designated contracted agency shall be trained in, and have responsibility for procurement, accountability and maintenance related to, the use of electronic monitoring equipment.
2. In the event of lost or stolen equipment the DAC shall up line an incident report.

E. Parent/Legal Custodian Rights Responsibilities

1. The juvenile and the parent, legal custodian, or adult caregiver responsible for the juvenile shall sign a statement agreeing to the terms and conditions of such program before the juvenile shall be permitted home detention.
2. The juvenile and parent shall be informed that the removal, purposeful damage, destruction or “loss” of electronic monitoring equipment by the juvenile may result in charges of Criminal Mischief II or Theft by Unlawful Taking and restitution may be ordered.
3. The parent or legal custodian of a juvenile placed in a court resource home or staff-secure shelter shall be permitted supervised visitation with the juvenile at either the residence or an established alternate site unless the court prohibits such contact, the juvenile refuses such visitation, or it is determined by the DAC that such a visitation is detrimental to the juvenile’s safety or wellbeing.

V. MONITORING MECHANISM

Monitoring of this policy shall be provided by the Division of Placement Services and the Quality Assurance Branch.