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Tēnā koe Lewis

Thank you for your email of 16 March 2022 to the Department of Corrections – Ara Poutama Aotearoa, requesting PDF copies of booklets regarding Electronic Monitoring (EM). Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

Research shows that the use of EM can act as a deterrent to crime. EM provides an additional tool for Corrections to use in the overall management of people on community-based sentences and orders. It does not replace effecting supervision from probation officers, the use of interventions and programmes, regular risk assessments, and pro-social community support.

Different technology is used to monitor people depending on the type of community-based sentence or order. Some people are monitored through Radio Frequency (RF) technology, while others are monitored through Global Positioning System (GPS) technology.

Onsite technical feasibility checks are used to determine whether GPS or RF equipment will work sufficiently at an address so the individual can be effectively monitored.

Further information about EM, including some documents within scope of your request, is available on Corrections' website, at:

https://www.corrections.govt.nz/working_with_offenders/community_sentences/being_on_probation/electronic_monitoring

You requested:

Could I please get pdf copies of all booklets regarding electronic monitoring that have been sent out to people wearing an electronic monitoring bracelet in the last 5 years (the general information booklets I mean)

Corrections' EM Team is frequently improving and updating the booklets and documents provided to defendants, offenders, whānau and the occupants of the address where an EM sentence or order is to be served.

Please find attached the requested booklets and documents which include:

- EM – Information for offenders
- EM – Information from the Probation Officer
- EM – Information for defendants
- EM Booklet 2021
- EM Booklet 2022
- EM - Information for occupants
- EM - Information for sponsors, family and whanau
- Bail with Electronic Monitoring - Information for employers
- Bail with Electronic Monitoring - Information for occupants
- Bail with Electronic Monitoring - Information for youth
- Bail with Electronic Monitoring - Information for applicants
- Bail with Electronic Monitoring - Information for bailees
- Bail with Electronic Monitoring - General
- Electronic Monitoring is changing

This response may be published on Corrections' website. Typically, responses are published quarterly, or as otherwise determined. Your personal information including name and contact details will be removed for publication.

I trust the information provided is of assistance. I encourage you to raise any concerns about this response with Corrections. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

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