

Research on Conditions of Pretrial Release

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Evaluating Release Conditions

How does it hold up to the 3 M's?

1. To what extent does the condition help to maximize court appearance?



- 2. To what extent does the condition help to maximize law-abiding behavior/public safety?
- 3. To what extent does the condition help to maximize pretrial release/liberty (by not leading to detention)?

Court Date Notifications

Condition/ Intervention	Research shows effective for maximizing appearance?	Research shows effective for maximizing arrest-free rates?	Research shows effective for maximizing release/liberty?
Court date notifications	\checkmark	?	\checkmark

- Effective for lots of people (all charges, all assessment scores)
- Minimally restrictive/intrusive
- Low cost, high yield

Supervision/Check-Ins

Condition/ Intervention	Research shows effective for maximizing appearance?	Research shows effective for maximizing arrest-free?	Research shows effective for maximizing release/liberty?
Pretrial supervision/ Check-ins	✓ *		\checkmark

- *Is more effective for higher assessment-scoring people
- Somewhat restrictive
- Very different from probation supervision

Drug & Alcohol Testing

Condition/ Intervention	Research shows effective for maximizing appearance?	Research shows effective for maximizing arrest-free rates?	Research shows effective for maximizing release/liberty?
Drug & alcohol testing			✓ *

- Expensive for people and/or system
- Very restrictive/intrusive
- *High rate of technical violations

Electronic Location Monitoring

Condition/ Intervention	Research shows effective for maximizing appearance?	Research shows effective for maximizing arrest-free rates?	Research shows effective for maximizing release/liberty?
Electronic location monitoring		_	✓ *

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- Very restrictive/intrusive
- *High rate of technical violations

Secured Financial Conditions

"The reliable, credible evidence in the record from other jurisdictions shows that release on secured financial conditions does not assure better rates of appearance or of law-abiding behavior before trial."

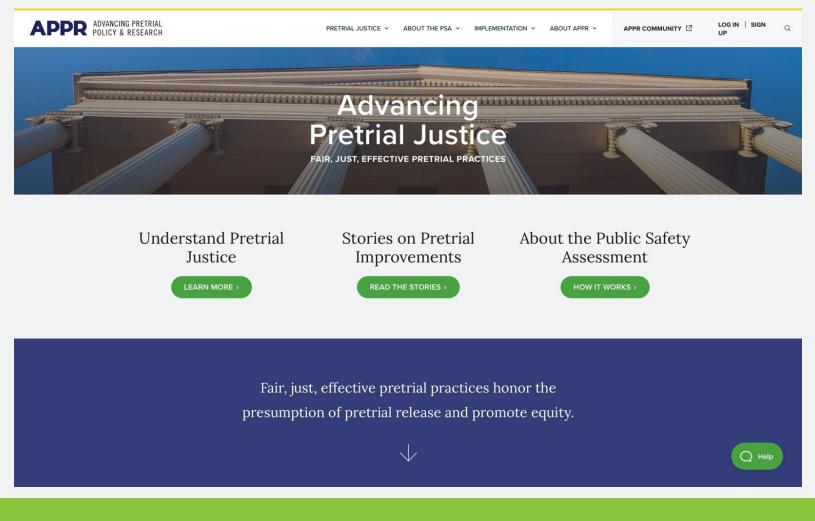
O'Donnell v. Harris County, 251 F. Supp. 3d 1052 (S.D. Tex. 2017)

Secured Financial Conditions

Condition/ Intervention	Research shows effective for maximizing appearance?	Research shows effective for maximizing arrest-free rates?	Research shows effective for maximizing release/liberty?
Secured financial		N/A *	- *

- *\$ cannot be or is not forfeited in most states based on rearrest
- Very restrictive/intrusive
- * Expensive for people, the system, and the community at large.

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