

Workshop session 1

Equitable, fair and just use of Electronic Monitoring for all?

There is considerable evidence that criminal justice measures are used differently depending on a range of defendant/offender characteristics such as gender and age, but this has yet to be explored to any great extent in relation to EM. There is also growing evidence that the way in which EM is experienced by wearers is mediated by a range of these and other factors such as religion and cultural background. Both how it is used and how it is experienced have the potential to impact upon compliance with, and the legitimacy of, EM. This workshop will explore variations in the way in which electronic monitoring is used for different groups; the extent to which providers and users of EM consider the ways in which EM may have differential impacts on different groups of wearers; and, some of the ways in which equipment designers, decision-makers and practitioners can ensure equitable, fair and just use of EM.