



Practice Recommendations regarding AI and Emerging Technologies in Probation

About

This Practice Recommendation has been developed by the Expert Group on Technology as a follow-up to the [Practice Recommendation regarding Technologies in Probation](#) published in 2024.

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Why AI?

The steady integration of artificial intelligence (AI) into probation services marks a significant technological advancement in modern criminal justice administration. Faced with challenges such as increasing caseloads, limited resources, and the requirement for evidence-based practices, probation systems globally are finding AI technologies to offer promising solutions.

These solutions are aimed at enhancing efficiency, improving decision-making processes, and ultimately contributing to better public safety outcomes. However, this technological progression introduces complex challenges such as bias, transparency, and ethical implementation that require thorough and careful consideration.

AI vs Human-Centred Approach

As jurisdictions worldwide grapple with resource constraints and demands for evidence-based practice, the debate about the increased use of time saving AI-powered tools vs time consuming traditional human-centered approaches has become increasingly critical for the future of community supervision.

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As criminal justice systems worldwide grapple with increasing caseloads and demands for evidence-based practice, AI technologies offer compelling solutions for enhancing professional development while requiring careful attention to ethical considerations and responsible implementation.

The framework outlined for AI implementation in probation skills development addresses four critical dimensions; resource optimisation, personalised training, professional development planning and ethical considerations, collectively determining the success of technological integration in this sensitive professional context.

Checklist for probation organisations

Establish an AI and emerging technologies checklist to ensure transparent, proportionate, and ethical use. The checklist addresses the critical legal, ethical, operational, and human rights considerations associated with the introduction and use of AI and emerging technologies in probation.

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