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The National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP) is proud to announce that Alcohol Monitoring Systems, Inc. (AMS) has become its newest Pioneer Partner. AMS is the industry leader in Continuous Alcohol Monitoring (CAM) Programs and the developer of SCRAM® (Secure Continuous Remote Alcohol Monitor). **The SCRAM System is used by 1,800 courts across 46 states and has monitored over 85,000 offenders since it first became available in 2003.**

CAM programs are developed by AMS to help courts shift the focus from incarcerating alcohol dependent offenders to treating the addiction that prevents them from changing their behavior. The foundation of the program is the SCRAM anklet, which detects alcohol from continuous samples of vaporous or insensible perspiration (sweat) collected from the air above the skin and transmits the data via the web. Anti-circumvention features include a tamper clip, an obstruction sensor, a temperature sensor, and communication monitoring to ensure the bracelet is functioning normally and transmitting information on the designated offender

Judge Michael J. Barrasse, of the 45th Judicial District Court of Common Pleas in Scranton, PA, has been using SCRAM in his DWI court for nearly four years. "This is an invaluable tool for my court," he said. "We use SCRAM devices to help assess addiction levels, tailor treatment, measure responses to treatment, hold participants accountable and reduce recidivism." Judge Barrasse cites the low cost and detailed reporting of SCRAM two major reasons he uses the program. "When we can know for certain that a defendant is staying sober or has suffered a relapse we can respond immediately and appropriately. This is a tool that every treatment court could use."

"AMS is pleased to strengthen our relationship with the National Association of Drug Court Professionals," said Chief Executive Officer Mike liams. "The NADCP is deeply committed to turning the tide of our criminal justice system away from incarcerating non-violent, addicted offenders to treatment. AMS is on the cutting edge of this movement and through partnership with the NADCP we hope to make SCRAM devices an available tool for every treatment court in the country."

NADCP Chief Executive Officer West Huddleston has been a proponent of CAM for many years. "AMS has created an invaluable tool for drug and DWI courts to accurately detect alcohol use among participants anytime, anywhere," Huddleston said. "SCRAM has far reaching implications beyond problem-solving courts and should be considered by pretrial, probation, parole and treatment agencies interested in determining the severity of someone's alcohol use for treatment and supervision planning, detection of someone's alcohol use who under court order is prohibited to drink, or to simply create a dynamic of certainty of getting caught which often times deters alcohol consumption. It's all valuable in changing behavior."

Membership in the NADCP is open to individuals, courts, organizations and companies. Members at all levels enjoy discounted conference registration and National Drug Court Institute trainings as well as members-only publications, resources and awards. For a complete list of member benefits and information on how you or your court can become members of NADCP, please contact Robert Foster at:
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Click here for information on acquiring the SCRAM device for your court.

About Alcohol Monitoring Systems, Inc.

Established in 1997, Alcohol Monitoring Systems, Inc. manufactures SCRAM®, the world's only Continuous Alcohol Monitoring system, which uses non-invasive transdermal analysis to monitor alcohol consumption. SCRAM fully automates the alcohol testing and reporting process, providing courts and community corrections agencies with the ability to continuously monitor alcohol offenders, increase offender accountability and assess compliance with sentencing requirements and treatment guidelines. Alcohol Monitoring Systems employs 108 people across the U.S. and is a privately-held company headquartered in Littleton, Colorado.