



## **FY2008 RECOMMENDATION/FY08-BP59 FLEXIBLE REPORTING OPTIONS FOR PAROLEES**

**Status:** Partial Implementation

### **Actions/Updates**

#### **2013 UPDATE**

The Division of Adult Parole, Community Corrections and Youthful Offender System has explored flex scheduling options and has implemented staff flex scheduling options to include a work week that would include four 10-hour days. An expanded 10-hour work day affords the offender more flexibility for reporting to their CPO. In addition, DOC has continued to track field work. In FY11-12, the Department conducted 73,578 home visits.

#### **2010 UPDATE**

*Partial implementation.* Officials from the Department of Corrections report that in an effort to better meet the needs of offenders, each of their field community parole offices has extended its reporting hours. In most offices, office hours have been changed to stay open until 7 p.m. at least one day a week. In other locations, where bus service ends at 5 p.m., offices open early at least one day a week. DOC reports in some cases, the decision whether to open early or stay open late was made based on offender surveys. The Department continues to explore reporting options.

#### **2009 ACTION/IMPLEMENTATION**

The Department of Corrections reports that it will explore the feasibility of establishing a flexible work schedule by January 2010.

#### **2009 IMPACT**

The Department of Corrections reports that it records the amount of field activities conducted by officers in its parole data system. Future Commission reports will provide implementation information, if available.

#### **2009 BARRIERS**

Expanded use of field supervision (versus visits to the office by the offender) may increase technical violation rates.

### **Description**

The Commission supports the Department of Corrections' effort to develop more flexibility in reporting options for parolees.

## **Agencies Responsible**

Department of Corrections

## **Discussion**

*Implementation of this recommendation is underway. Removing barriers to offenders' successful re-entry into the community is an essential recidivism reduction strategy and is consistent with the Commission's statutory mission per [C.R.S. 16-11.3-103(1)].*