



# **BELKNAP COUNTY PRETRIAL SERVICES**

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## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Mission of the Belknap County Pretrial Services is to assist the Courts in making more informed bail decisions using an evidence-based pretrial risk assessment. Pretrial Services is committed to maximizing appearance at the Courts by pretrial defendants and ensure community safety while linking defendants with support services.

## **VISION**

Belknap County Pretrial Services envisions a motivated team that will provide effective services using evidence-based practices and services. Belknap County Pretrial Services shall explore alternatives to future challenges faced by pretrial population and provide creative, innovative, as well as cost effective opportunities for positive outcome for all involved in the process. Belknap will promote the Agency through education and Public Outreach in order to improve services to the Court Systems and the Community.

## **GOALS**

- ✚ Increase Public Safety.
- ✚ Ensure appearance at all Court Hearings by Defendants.
- ✚ Supervision of Defendants to ensure compliance with Bail Conditions.
- ✚ Screen Defendants to determine risk and necessary level of Pretrial Supervision necessary.
- ✚ Screen Defendants assigned to Pretrial Services to gather information to determine potential Eligibility of County/Community Bases programming for both Pretrial and Post-Conviction used By the State, Prosecutor, Defense, and Court.