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## I. AUTHORITY

The chairman of the board is granted the authority to "[d]irect the operations, management and administration of the board" and to "[p]erform all the duties and functions of chairperson, including organizing, staffing, controlling, directing and administering the work of the staff." 61 Pa.C.S. § 6112 (a)(1) &(a)(4).

## II. PURPOSE

The purpose of this procedure is to explain the overall goals of probation/parole supervision.

III. APPLICABILITY

This procedure is applicable to all Board staff.

IV. DEFINITIONS

All definitions are located in Procedure 4.01.01.

V. POLICY

It shall be the policy of the Board that the supervision of offenders by the Board shall be performed in a uniform manner throughout the Commonwealth. **Harassment** and discrimination of offenders based on race, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, disability or political views shall be prohibited.

VI. PROCEDURE

This chapter sets forth the procedures to be followed in the supervision of all offenders under the jurisdiction of the Board.

In carrying out the agency mission, **parole** supervision staff **shall** provide professional service to protect the safety of the public, ensure accountability for crimes committed and connect offenders with appropriate resources to assist in their successful reintegration into the community.

A. Protecting the Safety of the Public

The public should be afforded safe and secure communities and must be protected during the time offenders are under supervision. **Parole** supervision staff must undertake a range of strategies and interventions geared to the varying risks presented by the offenders.

B. Accountability

Offenders that commit crimes incur an obligation to the victim or to the community, or both. **Parole s**upervision staff must assist victims and communities in getting their losses restored by the actions of offenders making reparation.

C. Successful Reintegration

Offenders supervised by the Board should successfully complete their probation/parole obligation and exit the system capable of being productive and responsible in the community. Successful reintegration of offenders into the community includes: no further victimization, compliance with conditions of supervision and competency development. Rather than simply receiving treatment and services aimed at suppressing problem behavior, offenders should demonstrate measurable improvements. Case planning and referrals for services should target increasing the offenders' stability, which will lead to enhanced public safety.

VII. SUSPENSION DURING AN EMERGENCY

This procedure may be suspended during an emergency at the sole discretion of the Chairman.

VIII. RIGHTS UNDER THIS PROCEDURE

This procedure creates no rights under law.

- IX. RELEASE OF INFORMATION AND DISTRIBUTION PROCEDURE
  - A. This procedure does not contain information that impacts the security of Board staff or parolees and may therefore be released to the public.
  - B. This procedure is to be distributed to all Board staff.
- X. CROSS REFERENCES
  - A. Statutes
    - 1. Federal

None.

2. State

42 Pa. C.S. § 9728

61 Pa. C.S. § 6112

61 Pa. C.S. § 6135(a)(4)

18 P.S. § 11.1101(b)(1)

B. Board Policies

None.

C. American Correctional Association Standards

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D. Management Directives

None.

E. Report of the Reentry Policy Council

None.