



Tracking & Locator Technology

There is a wide range of tracking devices available. However, there is not one solution that is appropriate for everyone. Some children will wear a wristband, some will not. Some need a waterproof device, some do not. Some areas do not have reliable cellular service, which is vital for many of these units. There are simply too many variables in products, and a wide scope of individual needs for our children for us to make specific recommendations.

Families should thoroughly research the features of personal locating devices before deciding on which is best for their child. Always remember, personal safeguards do not replace adequate adult supervision.

Important Considerations:

- ✓ Battery Life - does the unit have to be charged? If so, how often? Is your loved one's exit-seeking behaviors too severe to be unprotected during the charging process?
- ✓ Water Resistance - can the unit be worn when bathing, showering, swimming?
- ✓ Efficacy in water – will the unit transmit a signal under water?
- ✓ Is the unit removable by the wearer?
- ✓ Is geofencing/perimeter notification available?
- ✓ Cellular service in your area - will the unit work in the area of your home, school, etc?
- ✓ Does the system involve trained emergency response personnel?
- ✓ Is the manufacturer accessible in case you have critical questions or challenges? Are they interested in your child's specific needs?
- ✓ What are the costs involved -- are there monthly fees?

Device Options



For radio frequency units that run through law enforcement, visit projectlifesaver.org or safetynettracking.com to see if service is available in your area.



For GPS units that are operated by caregivers and purchased through retail methods, visit angelsense.com or similar retailer.

Always test the equipment in different locations, terrain and various types of weather as if it were a real-life situation.



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