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Implementation Drivers and Challenges in Corrections

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**4. Abstract text:**

**a. Background & Aims**

Within Singapore Prison Service, the use of evidence in the development of policy and practice has been embraced. There have been several research developments that have been implemented into policy and practice. Examples include the use of an automated risk screening tool and a motivational primer for offenders that is facilitated by prison officers.

**b. Methods**

This presentation aims to discuss the implementation drivers and challenges in the scaling up of such initiatives as we move towards wider implementation. Some of the initial successes and failures in the process of translating evidence into practice and policy will be discussed for a deeper understanding of this process. Additionally, I will propose an implementation framework that best suits the corrections in its attempts of scaling up a motivational primer that is to be conducted by officers across various sites and offender profiles. This will include the use of qualitative and quantitative data in studying the implementation process.

**c. Conclusion**

The successful design and execution of scaling up of programmes within corrections will provide a key implementation framework that Singapore a Prison Service can utilise in its continued effort towards infusing evidence into its policies and practices.