

## **Project Title**

Appreciation Messages for Staff Appreciation Month (SAM)

## **Project Lead and Members**

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## **Organisation(s) Involved**

Singapore General Hospital

## **Healthcare Family Group(s) Involved in this Project**

Healthcare Administration

## **Applicable Specialty or Discipline**

Healthcare Administrators

## **Project Period**

Start date: Not indicated

Completed date: Not indicated

## **Aims**

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## **Background**

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## **Methods**

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## **Results**

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## **Conclusion**

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## **Project Category**

Care & Process Redesign

Productivity, Quality Improvement, Environmental Sustainability, Time Saving, Job Effectiveness

Organisational Leadership

Human Resource, Staff Wellbeing

## **Keywords**

Digital workflow, Scan, Automatic Design, 3D printing, Denture Design, Intral-oral digital scan, Production

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## Solution

RPA's capabilities in accurate, efficient, and timely task execution were highlighted, along with its local hosting that ensures data remains within the intranet, thus mitigating potential security risks.

## Outcomes

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Robot	Human
33.63 hours to send 4,833 messages	493.3 hours to send 4,833 messages

**Savings**  
**93%**  
Saved 459.67 hours

## Sustainability

- **Resource Efficiency** – Automated systems can reduce the need for human labor, thereby conserving workforce resources for other tasks.
- **Employee Well-being** – By streamlining communication processes, automated systems can reduce employee stress associated with managing large volumes of messages manually. This can contribute to improved employee well-being and productivity.
- **Reusability** – This project methodology was adopted and implemented by another event committee (Long Service Award)



## E-messaging System Main Process Flow

