

# Exploring the relationship between *Net Promoter Score* and *Revenue Growth* in Healthcare Clinics

RESEARCH PROPOSAL | ASSESSMENT 3

RESEARCH METHODOLOGIES  
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# THE PROBLEM

NPS widely adopted → But never validated against revenue

RQ1: Can NPS predict revenue growth?

RQ2: How strong is this correlation?





# POSITIONING WORK IN THE FIELD

Patient Experience → Loyalty  
(Godovykh & Pizam, 2023)

✓ Established

NPS → Intention to recommend  
(Reichheld, 2003; Dawes, 2024)

✓ Validated

AI Sentiment Analysis (technical)  
(Alkhnabashi et al., 2024)

✓ Feasible

NPS → Revenue in HEALTHCARE  
**This Study fills this gap**

✗ MISSING

*Key Gap: Assumed correlation never tested empirically*

# KNOWLEDGE GAP & CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK



*Research Gap: No one has tested if this pathway actually works in healthcare*



# PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

## Quantitative Correlational Design (Pragmatic-Positivist)



*Triangulation: Temporal + Spatial + Methodological*

# METHODS & TOOLS

## Analytical Workflow:

- Descriptive Statistics (*mean, SD, distribution*)
- Pearson/Spearman Correlation (*strength + direction*)
- Linear Regression (*predictive capacity with lags*)
- K-means Clustering (*clinic behavioral segmentation*)

## Ethics & Governance:

- Anonymized data (*clinic-month aggregation*)
- Institutional consent (*Pro-Corpo Estética*)
- Researcher reflexivity statement (*former collaborator*)
- LGPD + GDPR + Australian Privacy Act compliant

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# Correlation Analysis
correlation = df[['nps', 'revenue']].corr()

# Predictive Regression Model
X_lagged = df[['nps_t1', 'nps_t2']] # Lagged variables
model = LinearRegression().fit(X_lagged, y_revenue)
```





# EXPECTED CONTRIBUTIONS & OUTCOMES

## Three Possible Results:

### *Strong Correlation*

- Validate NPS as strategic KPI
- Simple tracking systems sufficient
- Cost-effective patient monitoring

### *Moderate Correlation*

- Partial validation (NPS provides some signal)
- Justify AI sentiment enhancement investment
- Richer feedback dimensions needed

### *Weak Correlation*

- Challenge NPS validity in healthcare
- Redirect to NLP-based alternatives
- Capture nuanced emotional/experiential data

## Regardless of outcome:

- Evidence-based decision framework
- Quantitative foundation for AI/NLP research
- Replicable ICT R&D methodology

# SIGNIFICANCE & IMPACT

## Healthcare Managers

- Validate or challenge NPS as financial KPI
- Data-driven patient experience investment decisions
- Cost-benefit analysis: Simple NPS vs. AI complexity

## Torrens "*Here for Good*" Ethos

- Sustainable healthcare through evidence-based decisions
- Patient-centered care aligned with financial viability
- Responsible innovation in healthcare technology

## Academic Research

- First empirical NPS-revenue study in healthcare context
- Quantitative foundation for AI sentiment analytics
- ICT R&D methodology for business intelligence

## Broader Impact

- Replicable framework for service industries
- Bridge between patient experience and business outcomes
- Foundation for future mixed-methods research



# TIMELINE

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