

***Estrategia de intervención para personas privadas de libertad en Chile , desde la perspectiva de la Ocupación***

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**Introduction**

Chile is the second South American country with the highest rate of prisoners, 279 per 100 thousand population, thus the measures to promote the social reintegration of these persons deprived of liberty (PDL) is a priority task.

In this setting Gendarmería of Chile requested to the School of Occupational Therapy, University of Chile to design an intervention model intra penitentiary, for this proposal is considered the principles of Science of Occupation, especially routines, exploration skills, and involvement in social projects and family support.

The model was transferred to a written form called "Modulo de integración socio ocupacional **OCUPARSE** " that was applied by professionals in three prisons.

**Objective:**

Generate knowledge on the implementation of the Module

**Specific objectives**

To evaluate the effectiveness of the implementation of the module.

Identify the perceptions of users and professionals in respect of the intervention.

Explore hinder / facilitators for the implementation of the module.

**Methods**

Qualitative and quantitative study of descriptive nature, using techniques of semi-structured interviews, focus groups and statistical analysis.

**Results**

The derivation and application for 449 PDL (189 Colina I, 153 Colina II and 108 Valparaíso).

The internal assessment Gendarmería highlights that the levels of achievements are remarkable and correspond to the higher standard (high) in all areas.

In relation to achievement of objectives for session, the levels are above 90% (high and medium).

The qualitative analysis will be done the second half of 2009.

**Conclusion**

The theoretical references used are relevant to the intervention of the PDL intra penitentiary.

Indices achievements reflect the effectiveness of the intervention and its power as a coherent strategy replicated around the country.

**Contribution to the practice / evidence base of occupational therapy.**

The implementation has affected a significant increase of professionals.

The occupation has been installed in the technical language of the penitentiary system and is viewed favourably by Gendarmería Chile.