

# MULTNOMAH COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY JUSTICE

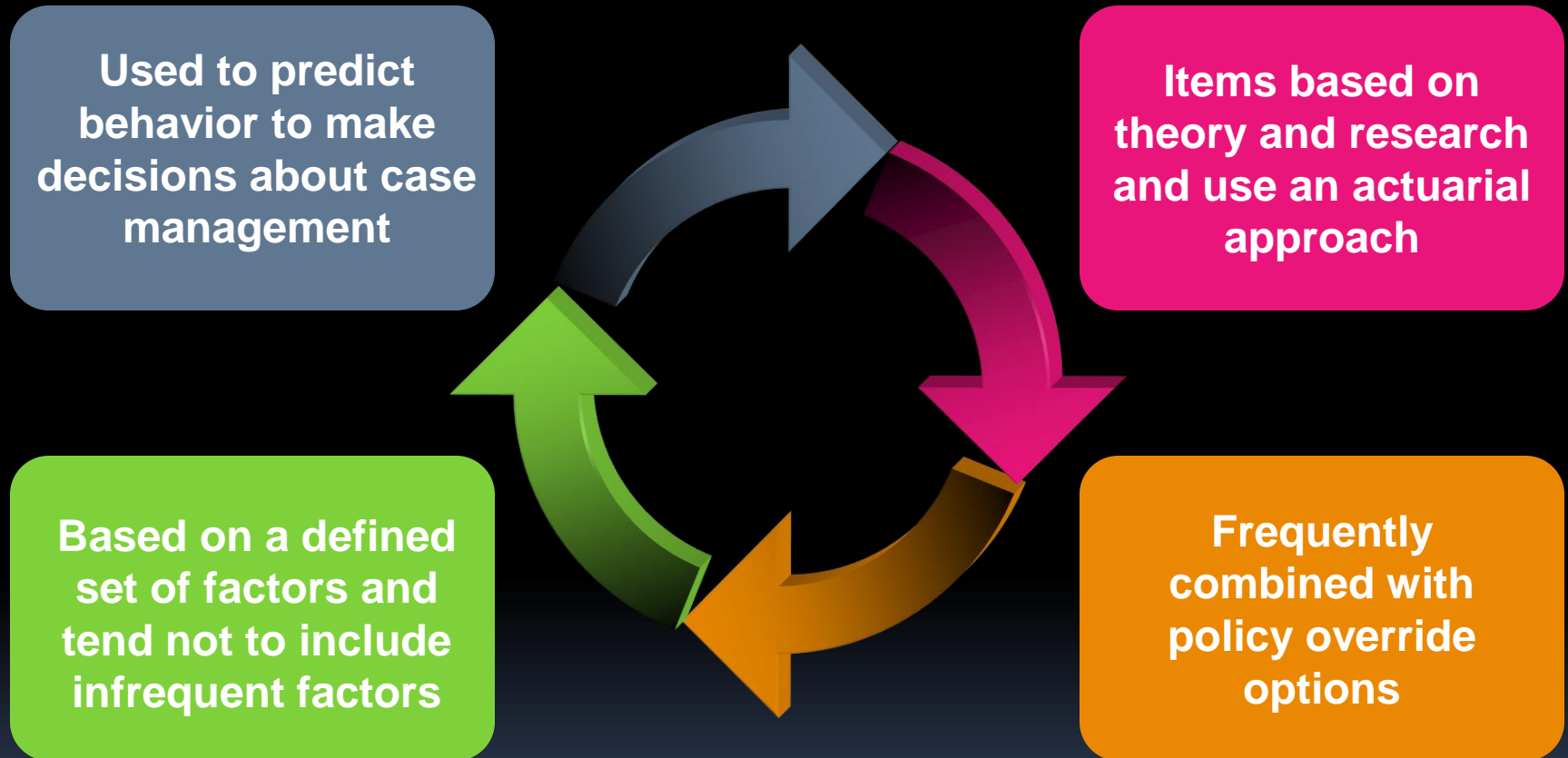
## RISK ASSESSMENT

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# Risk Tools in Criminal Justice



# Assessment Tools for Adult Offenders



## Static Tool:

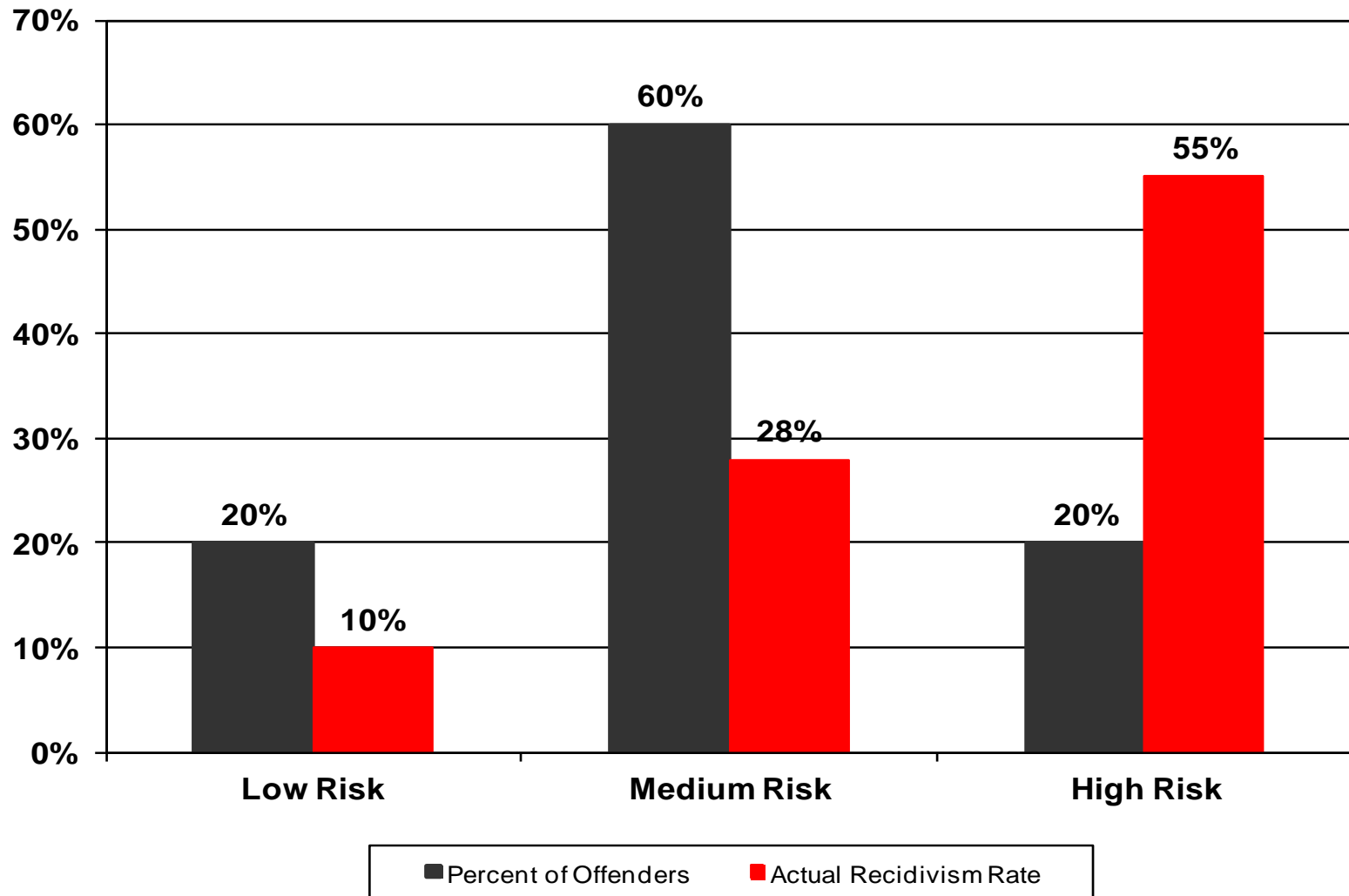
Historical factors (such as age at first offense, prior criminal history)

## Dynamic Tool:

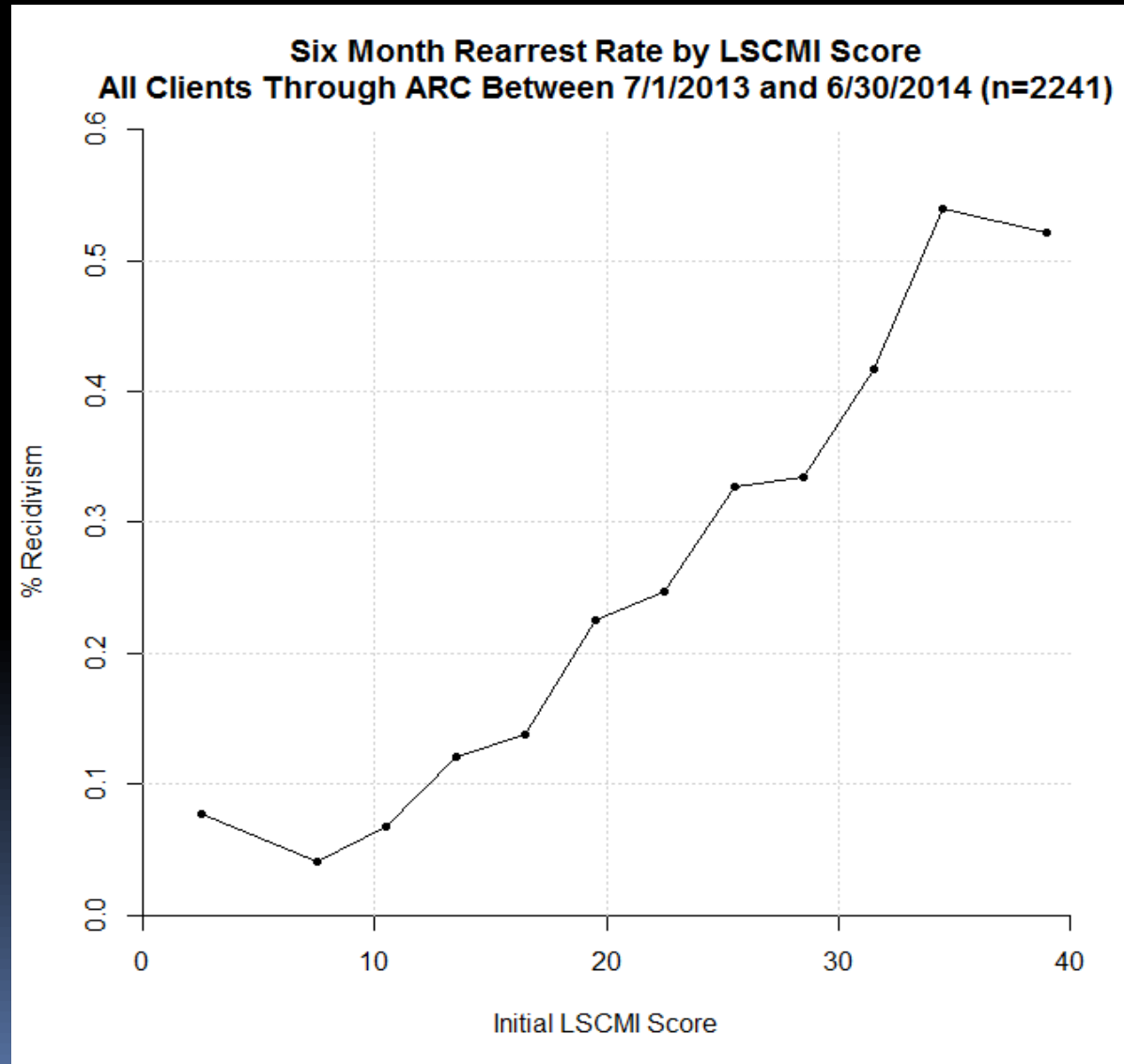
Changeable risk factors (such as employment & substance use)

# Example of Static Tool

**Public Safety Checklist Classification Rates  
Sample from 2000-2005**



# LSCMI: Where would you put boundaries to separate this line into risk categories?



# Release on Recognizance: Whose Authority and Tools Do You Trust?



# Recognizance Overview

Law enforcement  
arrests individual



Booked at Multnomah County  
Detention Center

Non-Person  
Misdemeanors and DUIs



Not Interviewed

Felonies (Except DUIs)  
and Person Misdemeanors



Interviewed

Admin Hold: NOT Eligible  
for Release



Held for Other Jurisdictions

No Admin Hold:  
Expedited Release



Released on Recognizance

No Policy Hold and Low  
Risk Score



Policy Hold, High Risk  
Score, or Admin Hold



Held for Multnomah County  
Court

DCJ Pretrial Supervision Program

Close Street

Jail



# Audience Poll

How many people do you think the Recognizance Unit processes per month?

- 625
- 868
- 1,106
- 2,812
- 5,107



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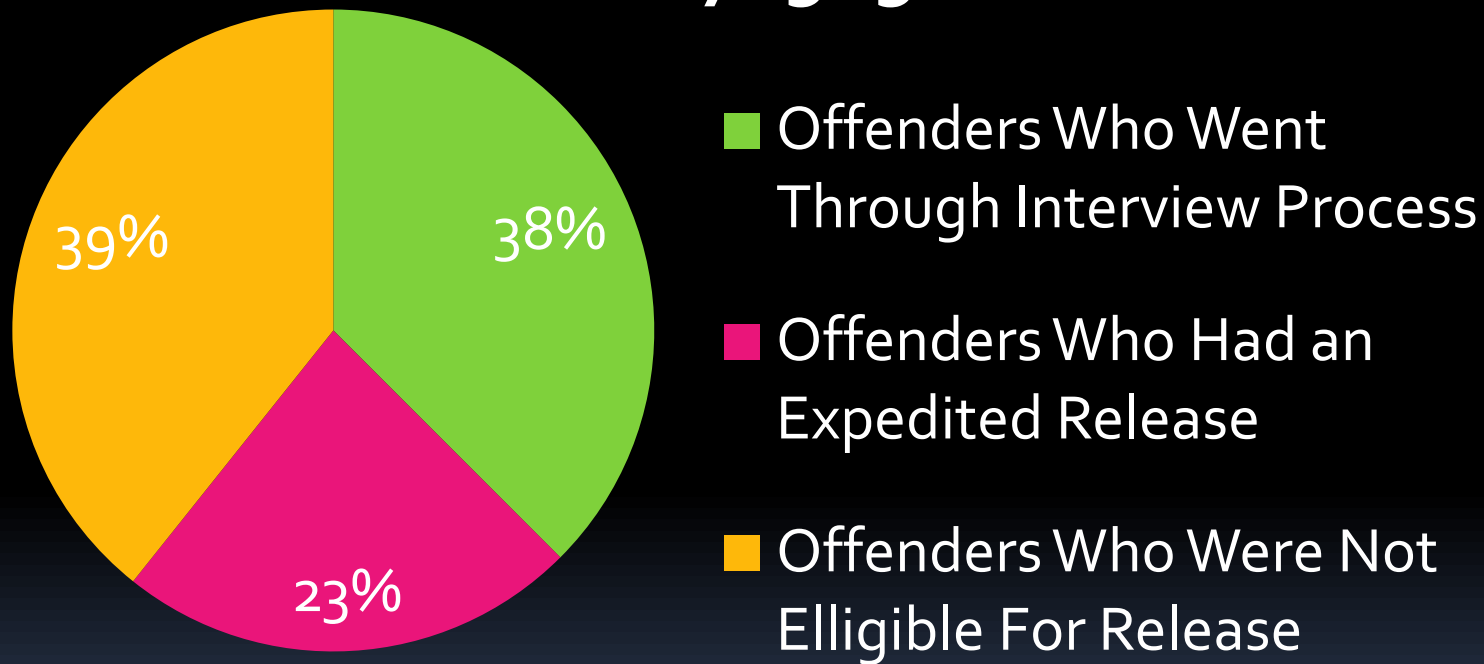
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The correct answer!

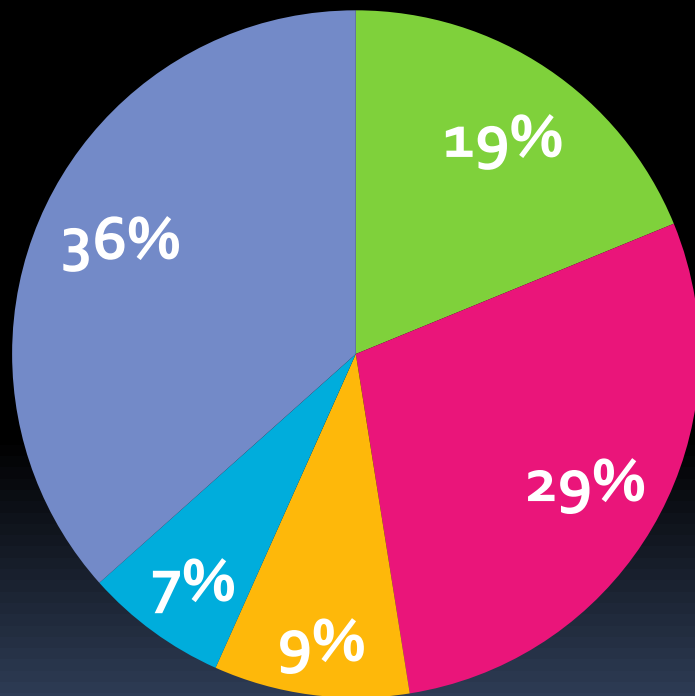
# Policy Versus Risk Holds

n=71929



# Policy Versus Risk Holds

n=26968



- Held Due to Admin Hold
- Held Due to Policy Hold (No Admin Hold)
- Held Due to Over 10 Points in Risk Tool (No Holds)
- Held Due to Override (Not Over 10 Points and No Holds)
- Released

# RISK ASSESSMENT TOOLS

## Recognizance Tool (currently used in Recog)

SWIS: <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	Primary Charge - ORS Number: <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	Case Number: <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	
Defendant: First Name <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	MI <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 50px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	Defendant: Last Name <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	

**Q1. Does Primary Charge require a Judicial Review?** ☒ **IN** ☐ Points 10

If Yes, it is because: [--- Check all that apply. Maximum 10 points]

☐ (A) Involves offenses of murder, aggravated murder or treason.

☐ (B) Involves offenses set out in ORS 137.700 and ORS 137.707.

☐ (C) Involves a violation of a Family Abuse Prevention Act restraining order under ORS 107.720, a violation of a release condition to not contact the victim in an offense involving domestic violence, or any offense which involved domestic violence as defined in ORS 133.230.

☐ (D) Any offense which is included in the group of offenses defined as "Person Violator" or "Person Class A misdemeanors", as defined in OAR 211-003-0001 by the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission, and the release assistance officer verifies that the individual has any additional parent felony or person Class A misdemeanor charge pending disposition in any court or that the person is on probation, parole, post-prison supervision or other community supervision based on a conviction for any additional parent charge.

☐ (E) Any offense of Driving While Under the Influence of Intoxicants (DWUI) (ORS 513.010) if the person has, in this state or any other state, during the ten year period preceding the current DWUI arrest, either two prior convictions for DWUI or one conviction and one completed DWUI Diversion.

☐ (F) Any offense of possession of a firearm by a person who has been convicted of a felony under the laws of this state or any other state (ORS 166.270 (1) - "Telen in Possession of a Firearm").

☐ (G) Any convicted person serving a sentence of incarceration or a sanction imposed by the court or an agency.

#	Points	Total Points
01. I checked the Primary Charge and it requires a Judicial Review.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	10
02. I checked the Primary Charge and it requires a Judicial Review.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	5
03. I checked the Primary Charge and it requires a Judicial Review.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	5
04. I checked the Primary Charge and it requires a Judicial Review.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	5
05. I checked the Primary Charge and it requires a Judicial Review.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	4
06. I checked the Primary Charge and it requires a Judicial Review.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	4
07. I checked the Primary Charge and it requires a Judicial Review.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	4
08. I checked the Primary Charge and it requires a Judicial Review.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	3
09. I checked the Primary Charge and it requires a Judicial Review.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	2
10. I checked the Primary Charge and it requires a Judicial Review.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	2
11. I checked the Primary Charge and it requires a Judicial Review.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	1
12. I checked the Primary Charge and it requires a Judicial Review.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	1

Total Points:

## Revised Virginia Pretrial Risk Tool (currently used in PSP)

PRETRIAL RELEASE ASSESSMENT									
NAME _____ SWIS _____									
CASE NO. _____									
CHARGES _____									
COURT DATE _____ ROOM _____									
<b>REVISED VIRGINIA PRETRIAL RISK ASSESSMENT TOOL</b>									
Risk Factor	Criteria				Assigned Points	Score			
1. Charge Type	If the current offense is a drug offense (A.C.S., O.C.S.P. or a drug attempt) or a sex offense charged under O.R.S. Chapter 149 or 151				1 Point				
2. Pending Charges	If the defendant had one or more charge(s) pending in court at the time of arrest				1 Point				
3. Outstanding Warrant(s)	If the defendant had one or more warrant(s) outstanding at the time of arrest for charges unrelated to the current arrest				1 Point				
4. Criminal History	If the defendant had one or more misdemeanor or felony conviction				1 Point				
5. Two or more Failure to Appear Events	If the defendant had two or more failure to appear events				2 Points				
6. Current Residence	If the defendant has had three or more address changes in the past 6 months				1 Point				
7. Employment	If the defendant is employed in school or otherwise engaged in primary caregiver role for less than 20 hours per week				1 Point				
8. History of Drug Abuse	If the defendant has a history of drug abuse				1 Point				
<b>SCORE</b>									
Risk Score	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Failure Rate - %	0%	9%	18%	27%	36%	50%	54%	74%	80%
Presumptive Release Decision	Release on Recognizance				Conditionally Release PRS			Detain	
Supervision Risk Level	Low				Medium			High	

Revised Virginia Pretrial Risk Assessment Score \_\_\_\_\_

Scores in this range are associated with a \_\_\_\_ % incidence of failure on pretrial supervision

# DCJ Study Results (1/20/15 – 3/20/15): Cut-Off Score Comparison

Recogn

- 326 Held
- 1357 Released

Cut-Off  
Score:  
10 or  
above

VPRAI

- 317 Held
- 1366 Released

Cut-Off  
Score:  
6 or  
above

# Reasons for Tool Assessment Change

VPRAI is a  
nationally  
recognized tool

Aligns Multnomah  
County with tools used  
in various jurisdictions  
across the country

DCJ has been using  
the VPRAI with  
PreTrial Supervision  
offenders

Using the same tool  
at Recog increases  
efficiency and  
continuity with  
offenders

# Next Steps

- New Tool Launches by July 1<sup>st</sup>
- IT Automated for Staff Use
- Recognizance Information Continues to be Shared with Stakeholders
- CJAC Reviewing Policy Holds