

Managing Customer Relationship in the Public Sector

Course Overview:

This training course is intended to give those organizations which are looking to improve their customer focus and develop their customer culture by working toward the Customer Service Excellence Standard. This Reaching Excellence in Customer Service training program emphases on developing a culture of customer service excellence and provides participants with a roadmap for examining and improving the service they provide at both the individual and organizational levels. By providing excellent customer service, you can offset the effect of higher prices by offering a better customer experience.

Course Objectives:

At the end of this course, the participants will be able to:

- A shared organizational customer-centric service vision.
- Enhanced professional image with a customer base.
- Increased customer retention and revenue growth.
- Improved intra / interdepartmental communication and teamwork.
- A more productive and customer-focused workforce.
- Improved conflict resolution skills.
- An appreciation for the importance of customer service excellence.
- Best Practices of world-class customer service providers.
- Enhanced leadership and communication skills.
- Increased confidence to work professionally with difficult or upset customers.
- The insight to adjust your temperament style to become more versatile, adaptable, and highly successful.
- Improved time management and goal-setting skills to increase productivity.

Course Coverage:

Topic 1: Enhancing Your Customer Service Communication Skills:

- Active Listening and Questioning Skills to Identify a Customer's Expectations
- Body Language: How to Read Your Customer Like a Book
- Working with Aggressive, Expressive, Passive and Analytical Customers

- Telephone Tips to Promote a Professional Image
- The Do's and Don'ts of Written Communication

Topic 2: Building the Foundation for Achieving Customer Service Excellence:

- The 7 Customer Service Expectations
- Measuring Internal and External Customer Service Satisfaction
- How to Use Customer Service to Increase Sales?
- "Going the Extra Mile" to Promote Customer Service Excellence
- Using social media to Enhance Customer Service
- Protecting your Organization's Online Reputation

Topic 3: Service Recovery: Handling Complaints and Upset Customers:

- The Importance of Customer Complaints and Why they should be Encouraged
- Empower Employees to Get the Job Done
- Steps to Follow for Customer Service Recovery
- Strategies to Help Calm Upset Customers
- Managing Emotions During Stressful Situations

Topic 4: Principles of Persuasion and Professional Negotiation Strategies:

- Cialdini's Six Principles of Persuasion
- The Art of Giving and Receiving Constructive Feedback
- Strategies for Negotiating Mutually Beneficial Outcomes
- Words and Tones to Avoid
- Price Value Formula
- Negotiating across Cultures

Topic 5: Focusing on Customer Service Excellence and Continuous Improvement:

- What is your Action Plan?
- Customer Service takes Teamwork
- Maintaining a Positive Mental Attitude
- Setting SMART Goals for Continuous Improvement
- Stress Management Tips to Increase Productivity
- End of Course Review

Targeted Participants:

- Frontline Customer Service Representatives (CSR)
- Team Supervisors
- Department Managers
- Account Managers
- Field Service Representatives