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# Professional Telephone Skills - 3hours



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0.5 DAY COURSE

Learn how to communicate more professionally on the telephone, manage difficult customers, improve your listening skills and much more with our 1-day, Professional Telephone Skills Course. This course was developed to help your staff conduct better, business-related phone conversations and provide excellent service and support via the telephone.

In this PD Training Signature Series course you will learn key skills like improving your phone "voice", what words should never be used, how to use effective questioning techniques, dealing with angry customers, what to say when leaving voicemails, staying in control of the call and much more.

This is a practical class that is suitable for all audiences and provides people with the tools that they can apply on-the-job (and in other contexts) the very next day.

This is an instructor-led class that you can attend from home or your office.

We use secure Video Conferencing with interactive features such as live polling, screen sharing, whiteboards, live chat and breakout sessions. Please discuss your preferred platform, most commonly we use Microsoft Teams, Skype for Business, Webex or Zoom upon request.

These courses are facilitated in English, and are open to people from different industries in all countries especially across Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Malaysia, Hong Kong and Papua New Guinea - this is a short but powerful learning experience that gives you global collaboration opportunities. Our trainers and processes have been refined to give you a personalised learning experience where it is specifically targeted to your needs see our outcomes in the reviews.

**\*\*Please note, these classes run to a very tight schedule, please follow the invitation and join the class 10-minutes prior to commencement so you are ready to participate and don't miss a minute!**

**What You'll Gain:**



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This Telephone Skills Training course will provide your staff with the skills they need to handle phone calls professionally. This will ensure that a positive image of your organisation is reinforced and strengthened with every conversation.

The telephone etiquette displayed by employees is indicative of a staff's willingness and ability to efficiently assist customers. The skills and attitude projected over the telephone can form a lasting impression in the minds of customers, making it a critical and memorable customer experience.

Virtual teams are becoming the norm rather than the exception, and one of their primary channels of communication is the telephone. Hence, it is imperative for virtual employees to also have a good understanding of business telephone etiquette in order to provide the best outcome for the customer.



## Outcomes

**After completing this course participants will have learned to:**

- Project a professional image over the phone
- Master a professional, effective & reassuring telephone voice
- Gain client's trust using proven communication techniques
- Learn to question effectively over the phone
- Master proven techniques to professionally manage irate customers

## Modules

### **Lesson 1: Your Personality/Your Telephone Voice**

- REACH Review – Communication Evolution Tool
- The Communication Model
- The ABCDE (Five Qualities) of a Good Telephone Voice
- Your Welcome – Should HAIL
- Voice Modulation – The 6 P's to Para verbal Communication
- Reflection

### **Lesson 3: Handling Barriers Over The Phone**

- Managing the 5 Barriers
- Words That Must Never Be Used
- Reflection

### **Lesson 2: Gaining Your Client's Trust**

- You Never Get a Second Chance to Make a Good First Impression
- Create a Positive First Impression:
- 4 Key Parts to Your Phone Greeting
- Put Your Clients at Ease with Positive Language
- Show Urgency
- Getting to the Point Quickly - Saying Too Much
- Ending a Call Politely and Professionally
- Put It Into Practice
- Reflection

### **Lesson 4: Effective Questioning**

- WIIFM
- Good Questioning Techniques
- Ask Yourself the Following 5
- Open and Closed Questions
- Clarifying Questions
- Seek Satisfaction/Understanding
- Questions to Keep Control of the Call
- Arrange When You Will Call Them Back
- Reflection



### **Lesson 5: Irate Clients**

- How to Deal with Angry Clients
- The Challenge of Angry Clients
- Do Not Allow Negative Emotions to Affect You
- High Emotion – Low Intelligence
- Use the HEAT to Defuse an Irate Client
- Reflection

**Talk to our expert team**

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