

39TH ANNUAL MEETING & CONVENTION

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#### PLEASE WELCOME

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Market Director & Senior Trainer Dale Carnegie, North Central US 5 Keys to Selling and Influencing



# Why is it hard to influence people?

## Selling Requirements

- Attention
- Time
- Interest
- Engagement
- Urgency

As a group, discuss and move these topic areas into the **rank order** that your group believes a business owner or executive would see as **most strategic down to most tactical**.

These are the words you will see on your whiteboards (in alphabetical order):

Challenges Goals Industry Needs Position Strategy Wants

#### Elevating the Dialogue



## First Way to Get Attention:

Help Them See the Forest for the Trees



Second Way to Get Attention:

#### Stronger Relationships



#### Time & Attention

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- 2. Become genuinely interested in other people.
- 3. Begin in a friendly way.
- 4. Try honestly to see things from the other person's point of view.
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- 6. Show respect for the other person's opinion. Never say, "You're wrong."
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## Connecting & Networking

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- 8. Ask questions instead of giving direct orders.
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## Action

Which principle could you demonstrate more of?

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### Gaining Interest:

Ask Simple Thought-Provoking Questions



## Gaining Interest:

Understand the Back of the Brain

#### Needs Analysis



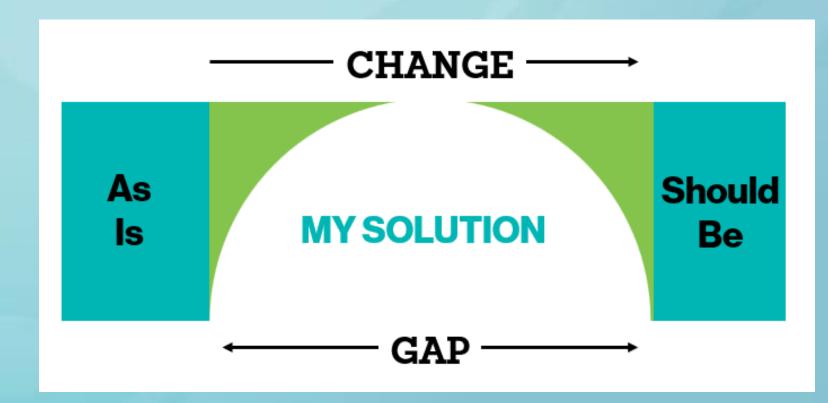
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### Stakeholder's Gap



### Questioning Model



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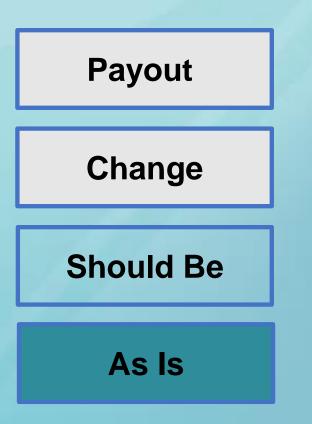
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#### As-Is Questions

#### Implications



#### **As-Is Questions**

How has (pre-approach info) impacted your operation?

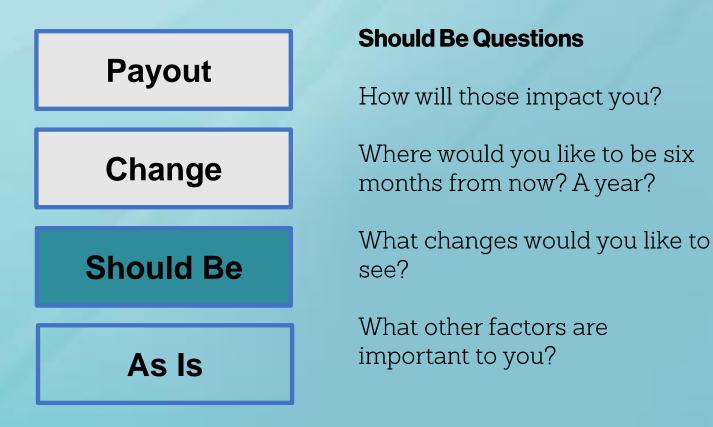
Who are your current providers? How to did you select them?

Why did you start to (pre-approach)?

What would you change about your current providers?

#### Should Be Questions

#### Implications



#### Change Questions

#### Implications



#### **Change Questions**

What is preventing you from moving forward with your initiatives?

What constraints are you under right now?

What else would be important to consider?

Who needs to support this, in addition to you?

#### **Payout Questions**

#### Implications



#### **Payout Questions**

If you're able to (Should Be), what impact will that have on your company/team?

What could happen when you're able to (Should Be)?

What would you do with the additional time/revenue/resources saved?

What would achieving the outcome allow you to do?



## First Way to Get Interest:

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#### Group Exercise

Share 2-3 provocative questions that might generate a strong response related to this conference.

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#### First Way to Get Engagement:

**Be Relevant** 



#### Second Way to Get Engagement:

### **Be Concise**



#### First Way to Get Urgency:

Invite Resistance



## **Common Customer Objections**

#### Cushions

#### Cushions do...

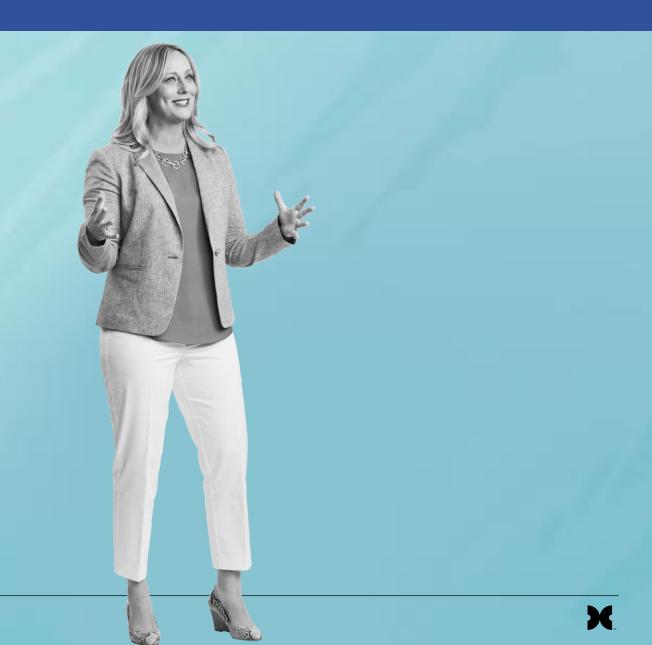
- Allow time to think
- Show you listened
- Empathize

#### Cushions don't...

- Agree
- Disagree
- Answer

#### Respond to Objections

- 1. Cushion
- 2. Clarify
- 3. Cross-check
- 4. Reply
- 5. Trial close



## When would this work/not work?

Second Way to Get Urgency:

Always. Get. Commitments.



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Recommended Reading

- Never Split the Difference, Chris Voss
- Flawless Consulting, Peter Block
- How to Win Friends and selling People, Dale Carnegie
- To Sell Is Human, Daniel Pink

#### "Knowledge isn't power until it's applied" - Dale Carnegie

## **Growth Area**

- Let's assume you have undiscovered greatness...
- How could you apply one of the selling requirements as you guide your customers/stakeholders?



#### Action



#### Tim Ferriss @tferriss

"Inaction breeds doubt and fear. Action breeds confidence and courage. If you want to conquer the negative elements in your life, don't sit at home and think about it. Go out and get busy!"

— Dale Carnegie

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