

WFM secrets Call Centre Helper Webinar

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What are
the secrets
to
successful
WFM?

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AGREEMENTS

ROLES

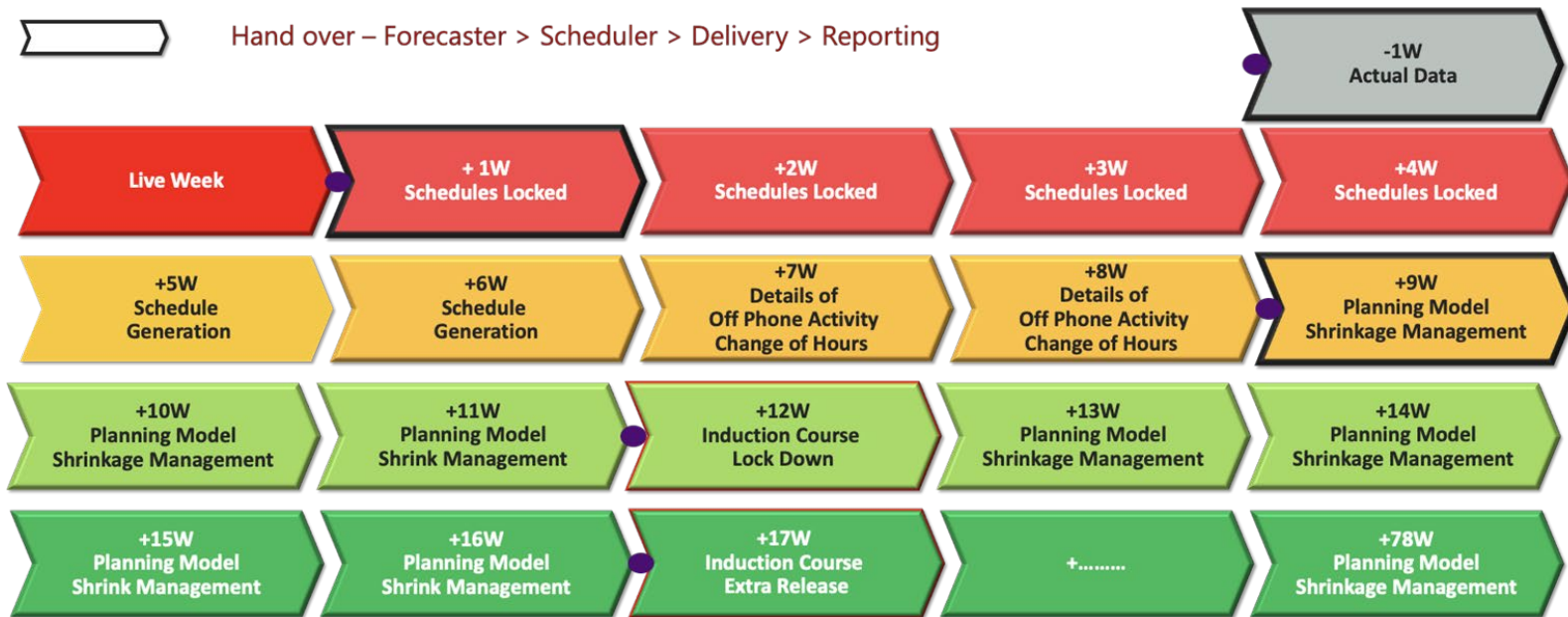
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Design a planning heartbeat - High level example

● Planning Meeting – Milestones over and fixed planning meeting agenda items

+ All weeks alarmed to highlight any variance from plan

▭ Hand over – Forecaster > Scheduler > Delivery > Reporting



Agree notice period & rules for ALL activities - High level example

Activity	Notice Period
Published Schedules	As agreed with Agents the following 4 weeks is published, notice period required to change at least 6 weeks
Vacation & Time Off	Limits set and agreed in budgeting process and further edited in the planning governance process- Notice period can range from 0 to 78 Weeks
Vacation Rule Exception	No Notice Required – Only authorized by the appropriate Operations Manager
Meeting	Limits set and agreed in budgeting process and further edited in the planning governance process. Notice period required is at least 8 weeks
Third Party Visits	Limits set and agreed in budgeting process and further edited in the planning governance process. Notice period required is at least 8 weeks
Training	Limits set and agreed in budgeting process and further edited in the planning governance process. Notice period required is at least 8 weeks
Change In Circumstances	Notice period required is at least 8 weeks
Day Event	Limits set and agreed in budgeting process and further edited in the planning governance process. Notice period required is at least 8 weeks
Special Day	At least 78 Weeks (setting holiday limits)
Schedule Preferences	At least 8 weeks
New Agents	Volume set and agreed in budgeting process and further edited in the planning governance process at least 6 weeks notice



Roles are best defined using a special RACI

Responsible
“Doer”

The functional role that performs an activity – responsible for action or implementation

“Rs” can be shared

Accountable
“Final decision maker”

The functional role that is ultimately accountable, including yes / no and power of veto

Only one “A” can be assigned to an activity / decision

Consulted
“In the loop”

The functional role(s) to be consulted prior to a final decision or action is taken

“Cs” need two-way communication

Informed
“FYI”

The functional role(s) which need(s) to be informed after a decision or action is taken

“Is” need one-way communication

A WFM RACI includes the time dimension - High level example

	LIVE WEEK							Published Schedules							Schedule Generation							Forecasting Cap Plan							Budget Process New Business										
	Week 0							1-4 Weeks							4-10 Weeks							10 to 72 Weeks							Yearly Budget										
	Real Time Scheduler	Forecaster	DH/Ops	Team Leader	Trainer	HR	BNOM	Co/W	Real Time Scheduler	Forecaster	DH/Ops	Team Leader	Trainer	HR	BNOM	Co/W	Real Time Scheduler	Forecaster	DH/Ops	Team Leader	Trainer	HR	BNOM	Co/W	Real Time Scheduler	Forecaster	DH/Ops	Team Leader	Trainer	HR	BNOM	Co/W	Real Time Scheduler	Forecaster	DH/Ops	Team Leader	Trainer	HR	BNOM
Vacation & Time Off	A	C	C	I	I	I	R	A	C	I	I	I	R	A	C	I	I	I	R	A	C	I	I	I	R	R	A	I	I	I	C	R	C	R	R	R	R	R	A
Vacation Rule Exception	R	C	I	A	C	I	R	C	A	I	I	I	R	C	A	I	I	R	C	A	I	I	I	R	R	R	A	I	I	C	R								
Meetings	A	C	C	I	I		I	A	C	I	I		I	A	C	I	I		I	A	C	I	I			I	A	I	I		C	C	R	R	R	R	R	A	
Third Party Visits	A	C	C	R	I	I	I	A	C	R	I	I	I	A	C	R	I	I	I	A	C	R	I			I	A	R	I	I	C	C	R	R	R	R	R	A	
Training	A	C	C	I	I	R	I	A	C	I	I	R	I	A	C	I	I	R	A	C	I	I	R	I	A	I	I	R	I	C	C	R	R	R	R	R	A		
Co-Worker Council	A	C	C	I	I	I	I	A	C	I	I	I	I	A	C	I	I	I	A	C	I	I	I		I	A	I	I	I	C	C	R	R	R	R	R	A		
Change In Circumstances	I	A	C	I	I	R	R	A	C	I	I	R	R	A	C	I	I	R	A	C	I	I	R	R	R	A	C	I	I	R	C	R							
Day Event	A	C	C	I	I	I	I	A	C	I	I	I	I	A	C	I	I	I	A	C	I	I			R	A	C	I	I	C	C	R	R	R	R	R	A		
Special Day	A	C	C	C	I	I	I	A	C	C	I	I	I	A	C	C	I	I	A	C	C	I			R	A	C	I	I	C	C	R	R	R	R	R	A		
Schedule Preferences	I	A	I	I	I	I		A	C	I	I	I	R	A	C	I	I		R	A	C	I	I			R	A	I	I	I	C								
New Co-Ws	R	I	C	I	I	A	I	R	I	I	I	R	A	I	I	I	I			I	I	I	I	A		I	R	C	I	A		C	R	R	R	R	R	A	



Planning governance - High level example

Attendees	KPIs		Definition	Source
TBC	Productive Hours	Forecasted	The agreed value from the budget or the on-going forecasting process	Forecasting Model
TBC	£ Cost To Serve	Scheduled	Total time for that activity as stated in the published schedules	TBC
TBC	Shrinkage Holiday, Sickness, Training, Coaching & Meetings etc.	Planned	Total time scheduled but not published (e.g. vacation)	TBC
TBC	Contact Volumes Drivers	Actual	The actual total time spent in the activity	TBC

Weekly Planning Meeting

Agenda:

- Week -1 Analysis *Review Performance"
- Week +1 Schedulers hand over to Real Time
- Week +8 Forecasters hand over to Schedulers
- Discuss any alarms in weeks 0 to 203
- Recruitment update
- HR: Offers, Accepts and Induction lock down
- Schedulers: Required Scheduling/Shifts
- Record all decisions

Weekly Reporting

- 1 Hours Balance Sheet - Forecasting Model Report (all weeks)
 - Forecasted
 - Planned
 - Scheduled
 - Actual
 - Shrinkage
- 2 Interval Coverage Profiles Report (weeks -1 to +6)
 - Resource Forecasted v Schedule per 15min for each activity
 - Graphs and Hours

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