## Wrap It Up!

# Develop Great Customer Service Skills

Don't forget to see if there is anything else the customer needs!

Everyone has a preferred length of time needed to feel they have had a great customer service experience. It could be one minute, ten minutes, or more.

- Five positive interactions are needed to combat just one negative interaction..
- For every one negative interaction, ten people are told.
- For every one positive interaction, three people are told.

You have to work harder to overcome a customer's negative reperience.







### **CUSTOMER SERVICE HAS MANY FACETS**

## Everyone has a story to tell. In customer service you are dealing with people that assume you should:

- A) Have all the answers
- B) Feel all their stress
- C) Direct them to the boss

#### **SUCCESSFUL DAYS START WITH YOU!**

#### You must care about:

- Your neighbor
- The customer
- Your family
- Your company
- Your Day

## THE MOST IMPORTANT PERSON IS THE ONE RIGHT N FRONT OF YOU!

#### When you are on the phone;

- People only hear one side of the conversation.
- People feed off of others' frustration.
- Privacy is important!



- Eat
- Sleep
- Stress Level

#### **CALM IS CONTAGIOUS**

Soft skills are necessary!

Sometimes that means using a library voice; above a whisper, below normal tone, watch your pitch.

- Acknowledge the situation
- Don't interrupt
- Follow the customer's lead
- Be honest
- Stay positive
- Pay attention
- Give a clear explanation
- Watch your interaction

#### **OVERVIEW**

- 1. Identify yourself
- 2. Identify who you are talking with
- 3. Isolate the reason for the call
- 4. Identify the customer's communication style
  - \* Empathetic: Needs sincere response (I understand).
  - \* Praise seeker: Needs positive reinforcement (Excellent idea).
  - \* Reflective: Needs to know how this is affecting the situation.
  - \* Responsive: Needs to know the resolution. (Actions are required).

#### 5. Take notes the importance of note taking:

- \* Taking notes shows you care.
- \* Taking notes will help keep the facts straight.
- \* Taking notes helps the customer from repeating themselves.
- \* Taking notes reduces misunderstanding the conversation.
- \* Taking notes allows them to ask questions.

#### **RELAX TECHNIQUE**

- R = Remember
- E = Establish limits
- L = Listen to the problem
- A = Ask questions
- X = Explain the problem and propose a solution

#### **RULES TO KNOW**

- · Always answer the phone by the 3rd ring.
- · Don't make promises you can't keep.
- · Listen to the customer.
- Deal with the complaint.
- Don't interrupt.
- Be helpful, courteous, and knowledgeable.
- · Go the extra mile.

