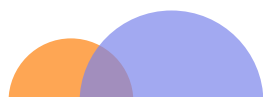
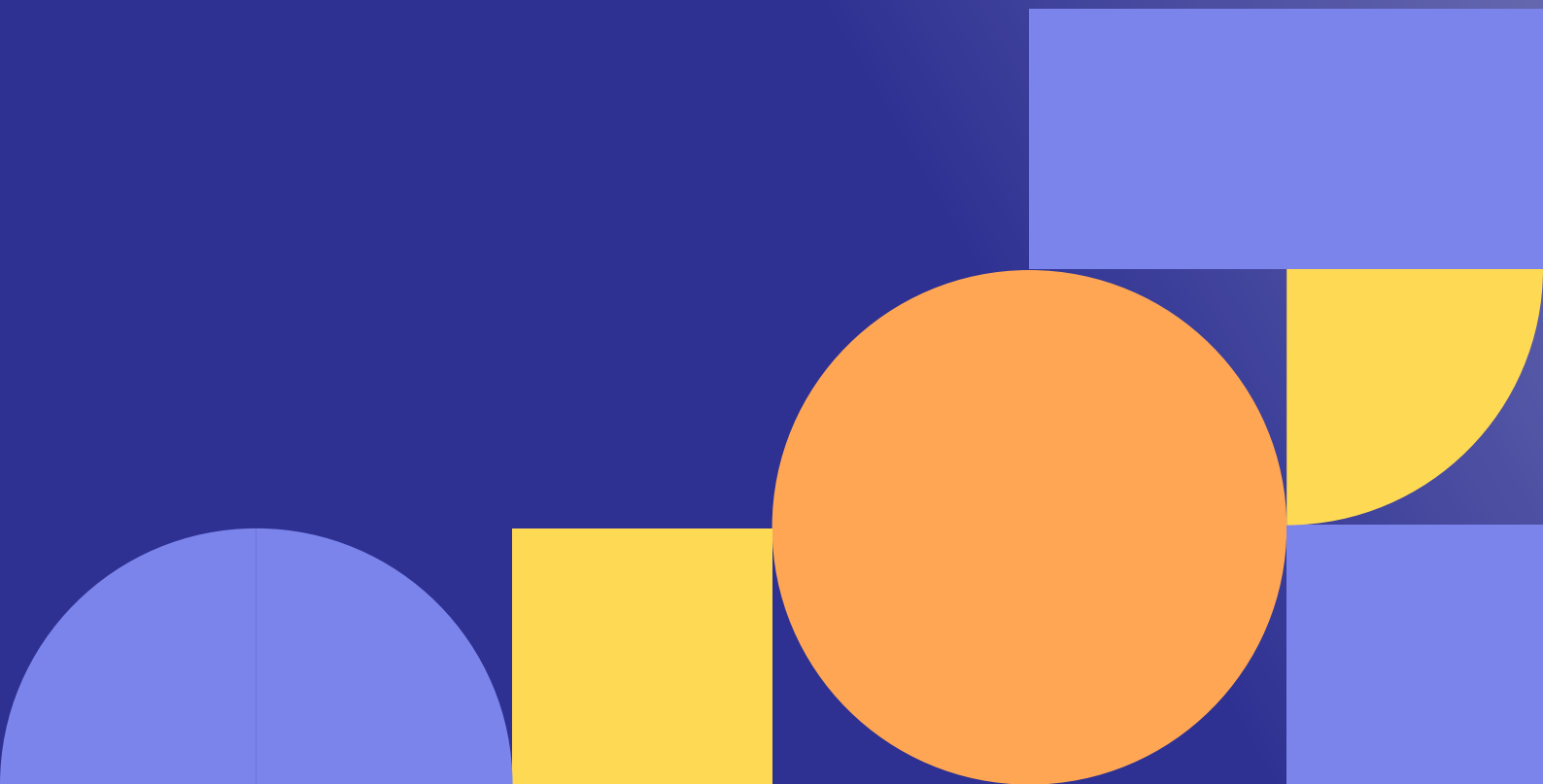


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Customer Lifetime Value (CLV) shows how much value you and your customer create together over your entire relationship. By focusing on building genuine, long-term connections, you can help that value grow. Here's how:



Make their first experience count

The first conversation is everything. This is your moment to show your customer they've made the right choice and build confidence in your brand.

A great first experience sets the tone for the entire relationship. Take the time to understand what brought them to you, what they're hoping to achieve, and how you can help make it happen. When customers feel supported and understood from day one, they're more likely to stick around.

Quick wins:

- Create a personalised welcome experience
- Guide customers through their first purchase
- Schedule an early check-in to ensure they're getting value

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Perfect your timing

At D2MS, we call it “topping and tailing” – a proactive approach to customer communication at the most critical moments. The “top” is all about those first crucial days: calling new customers within 24 hours of signing up, walking them through their first purchase, and ensuring they’re confident with their choice.

The “tail” focuses on retention - reaching out to customers just before key decision points. This could be a few days before their subscription renewal, when they’re due for a plan upgrade, or if we notice changes in their usage patterns.

Quick wins:

- Schedule welcome calls within 24 hours of sign-up
- Create a 30-day check-in routine
- Set reminders for key renewal dates
- Keep notes on preferences for future conversations

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Focus on customer service

76% of people say they’ll stop doing business with a company after one bad interaction (Venture Beat). On the flip side, 86% report that they will pay more for a better experience (Temkin Group). So, customer experience is important if you want them to stick around.

The key lies in empowering your team to really understand your customers. When your team feels confident and supported, they naturally provide better service. They can anticipate needs, solve problems proactively, and turn potential issues into opportunities to wow your customers.

Quick wins:

- Invest in comprehensive team training
- Create clear service standards
- Set up regular team feedback sessions
- Celebrate service wins as a team



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Connect on every channel

Connect with your customers wherever they are – online, over the phone, or face-to-face. This allows you to create one smooth, consistent experience that makes customers feel valued at every step.

When your brand voice and quality of service stay the same across every touchpoint, you can build trust that turns casual customers into loyal fans.

Quick wins:

- Align your messaging across all channels
- Train teams to maintain consistent brand voice
- Create smooth handovers between channels
- Track customer interactions across all touchpoints



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Create personalised experiences

When your agents understand a customer's preferences, every conversation becomes more meaningful, especially when it allows your team to anticipate customer needs.

By investing in these personal connections, you can create authentic relationships that build lasting loyalty. Going beyond transactions to really understand what matters shows each customer you're genuinely invested in their satisfaction.

Quick wins:

- Train agents to capture important customer preferences
- Build detailed conversation histories
- Share customer insights across your team
- Personalise follow-up conversations based on previous interactions

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Turn feedback into growth

Every piece of feedback is really your customers telling you how to serve them better. When customers see their suggestions turned into improvements, they feel valued and more invested in your brand.

Create opportunities for real conversations about their experience. Whether it's through surveys, calls, or social media, make it easy for customers to share their thoughts. Then show them how their feedback is making a difference. This creates a positive feedback loop that strengthens loyalty and drives growth.

Quick wins:

- Set up regular feedback channels
- Create a system for tracking suggestions
- Share improvements with customers
- Thank customers for their input

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Master upselling and cross-selling

Did you know that 70-95% of revenue comes from upselling to existing customers? (Pacific Crest Survey.) When you understand your customer's needs and usage patterns, suggesting an upgrade or additional service feels natural and helpful rather than pushy.

The key is timing, like when a customer is seeing great results, or when their needs have evolved beyond their current service level. By focusing on real value and keeping these conversations genuine, you turn upgrade discussions into opportunities.

Quick wins:

- Identify natural upgrade opportunities
- Train team members on solution-based conversations
- Keep track of usage patterns and growth signals
- Time upgrade discussions with positive experiences

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Reward loyalty

A well-designed loyalty program can generate 4.9 times more revenue than expenses (Antavo). This is executed best when the programs do more than offer points. The key is to create experiences that recognise and reward the relationship you've built together.

Maybe it's early access to new features, exclusive events, or personalised perks based on their interests. The goal is to create a program that reflects your brand and resonates with your customers.

Quick wins:

- Create exclusive member experiences
- Communicate benefits clearly
- Make earning and redeeming easy

Remember:

Every interaction is a chance to strengthen your relationship with customers. Focus on genuine conversations and real connections so you can turn first-time buyers into longtime fans.