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Leveraging Total
Rewards
Communications to
Improve
the Employee
Experience



Presenter Introduction



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The state of the employee experience



Ways to personalize content



Multi-channel communication tactics



Year-round campaign best practices





Key Factors Driving Change



Source: Segal analysis, January 2019-December 2021



Shifting Expectations

Employer expectations of employee

Employee expectations of employer

	Old Contract	New Contract	Future
	Loyalty, longevity	Engagement, personal responsibility	Creative thinking and enthusiasm
	Ladder or lockstep advancement	Flexible career paths	Supports and encourages disruption
	Job for life	Opportunity to develop skills	Opportunity for multiple careers with employer
	Vacation, holiday, sick days, onsite work, 9-5	Flexibility	Trust and transparency
5	Competitive comp and benefits package	Financial, physical, and emotional security	Lifecycle-focused support
	Standard training programs	Customized training	Interactive training



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An Employee's Perspective on Workplace Communications

>60% Said their company's employee communication assets weren't easy to access

72% Weren't pleased with the level of personalization

65% Said the information wasn't comprehensive

Source: IDG "State of Workplace Communications Survey"



POLL QUESTION

What do you believe is the biggest communications challenge right now?

- A. Employees don't understand their benefits.
- B. Creating engaging communications.
- C. Managing lots of channels.
- D. Getting employees to pay attention.
- E. Limited internal HR resources.







Highlight the employee's total rewards package through effective communication to enhance the employee experience.





Tips To Communicate Total Rewards









PERSONALIZE
CONTENT

USEMULTIPLE CHANNELS

COMMUNICATE
CONSISTENTLY

Personalizing Content



Understand the Audience - Generational Differences

Baby Boomers: Solicit their input

Recommendations: ask them how they prefer communications and then adjust

Gen X: Variety is key

Recommendations: utilize both traditional and digital mediums to engage them

Millennials: Brief but meaningful

Recommendations: bite-sized communication pieces that clearly highlight the "WIIFM"

Gen Z: Meaningful brief, and varied

Recommendations: use 3-5 mediums to relay concepts



Importance of benefits by generation

Baby Boomers

- Competitive Salary
- Rich Medical Plan
- Life and Transition Coaches
- Retirement Planning Support

Gen X

- Retirement Match
- Work-life Balance
- Caregiver Benefits

Millennials

- Student Loan Repayment and/or tuition reimbursement
- Pet Insurance
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Flexible Working Schedules

Gen Z

- Student Loan Repayment
- Ways to get involved in DE&I efforts
- Recognition Programs
- Mental Health Care



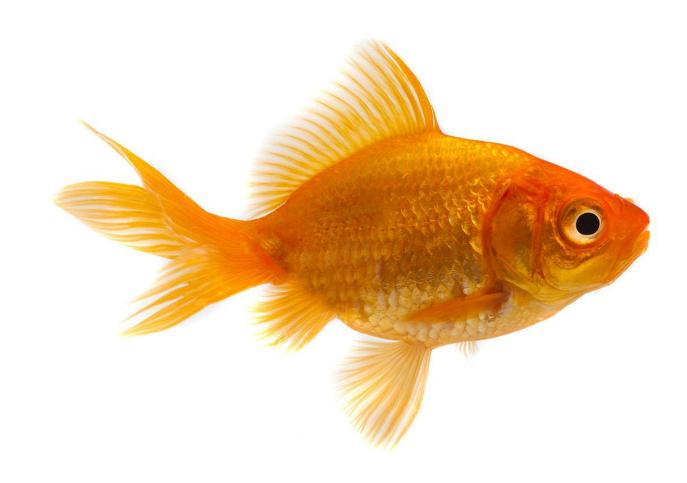
Gather feedback

"How does someone feel about X or how does someone interact with y?"

- Surveys capture specific info about lots of people
- Interviews build rapport
- Focus groups allow for interactive, group discussions



Bite-Sized Messages: Attention Spans...



Employee Distraction



100

The average amount of work emails employees receive every day



42

The average amount of texts employees receive every day



9

The average number of hours employees spend on Slack/Teams daily



160

Number of times per day employees check their phones

MATCH THE NUMBER

910016042





Relevance Clarity Personalization

Timing

Source



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- Resist the kitchensink approach
- Repeat, and then repeat again
- Don't bury the lead





Altering Benefits Concepts

Avoid benefits language like:

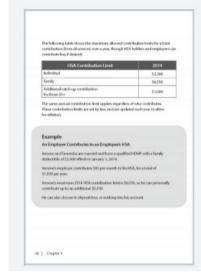
- Dependent Medical Coverage: Proof of Eligibility
- Effective date of coverage
- 401(k) Basic, Matching, and Performance-Based Contributions
- Tax-Advantaged Accounts

Instead, try something like this:

- Covering your family members
- When do your benefits kick in?
- How to save for retirement
- Pay for medical services while saving on taxes















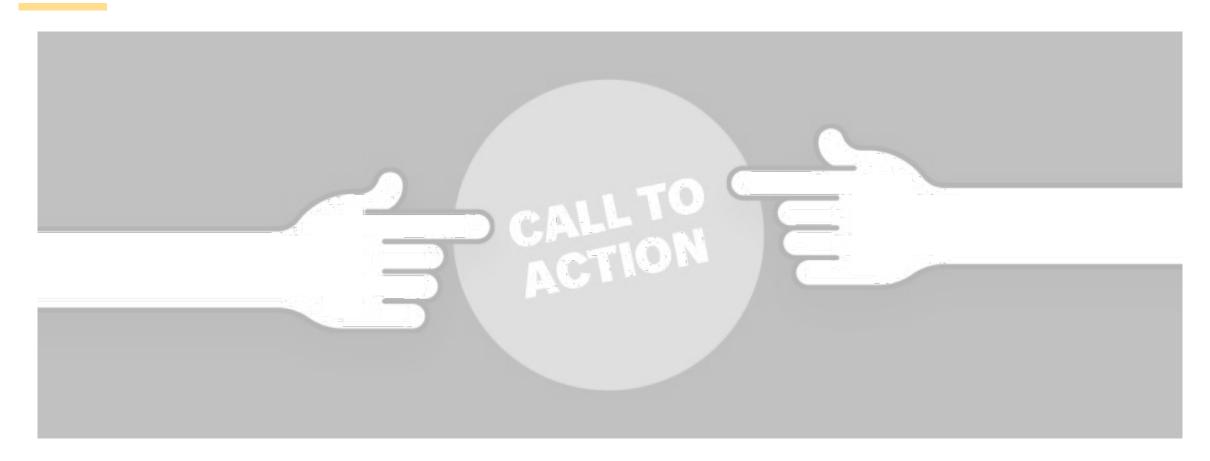








Always use a Call to Action



Multi-Channel

Multi-channel = delivering the same benefits message using many different formats























QUICK TIP!

Five is the magic number. Use at least 5 of these communication channels to get the word out.



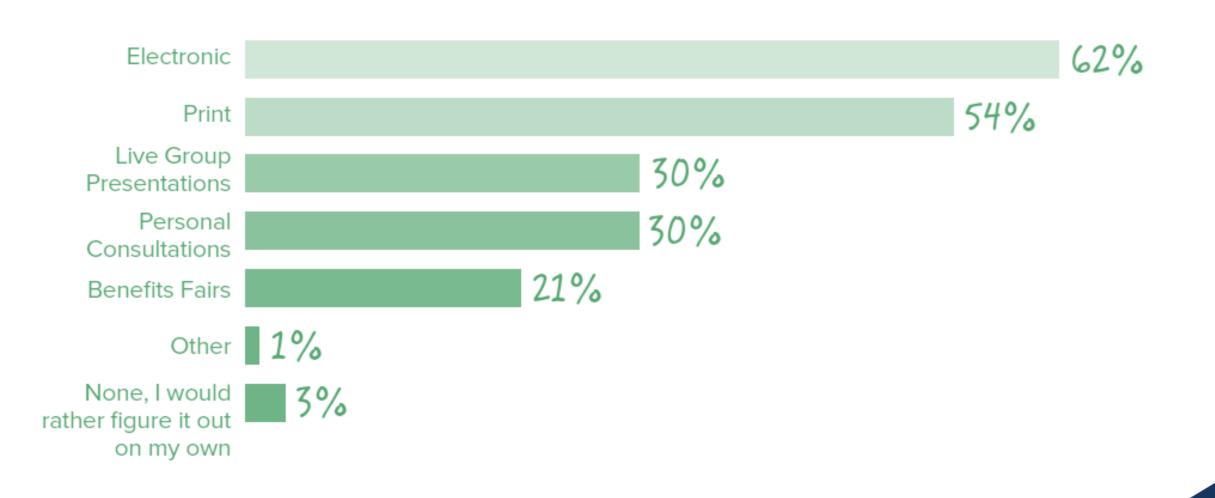


Which of these digital tools are your clients using for OE this year?

- a. Benefits website
- b. Decision support tool
- c. Texting platform or mobile app
- d. Explanatory videos
- e. Live and on-demand open enrollment webinars



Employee Preferences





Email Best Practices

- Send from a person
- Ditch the HR header
- * Keep it short and sweet
- Keep the call-to-action visible
- Shorten your subject lines
- Send it early

Things are changing, starting today

From: Rachel Henk

Hi Sarah,

Open Enrollment starts now. It's your one time of year to review your benefits. Watch our short video to see what's changing and what you need to do.



- ✓ Learn about your benefits
- Make your decisions
- ✓ Enroll by October 15th!

Get started

Sincerely,
John Smith
VP of HR, ABC COMPANY
rhenke@acmeindustries.com
Click here for the 2019
Benefits Guide





1 MIN

One minute of video equals 1.8M words.



75%

Employees are 75% more likely to watch a video than read.



4-7x

Video generates higher engagement than static messaging.



Sources: Insivia; Forrester Research; DoubleClick/Google

Text Messaging

- 1. Pick a Platform
- 2. Ask permission
- 3. Keep it short
- 4. Include a CTA
- 5. Measure your impact



Social Media

- Blogs
- Podcasts and webcasts
- Facebook Groups
- Twitter
- LinkedIn
- Instagram





Benefits Websites And Intranets



- One-stop shop for benefits information
- Links out to all other carriers
 & providers
- Simple 24/7 access for employees and family members
- Valuable resource for retention and recruiting





Using guided questions as an efficient way to help your employees make smart benefits decisions



WHO DO YOU PLAN TO COVER?



HOW MUCH DO YOU TYPICALLY USE YOUR POLICY?



WHICH OF THESE
MEDICAL EVENTS DO
YOU CONSIDER
LIKELY IN THE NEXT
YEAR?



WHICH OF THESE
MEDICAL
CONDITIONS WILL
NEED TREATMENT IN
THE NEXT YEAR?



Combine Print & Digital Experiences

OPEN ENROLLMENT IS ONE OF THE FEW TIMES OF THE YEAR YOU ARE ABLE TO MAKE CHANGES.

To help you prepare, we're giving you a sneak peek into a few changes and some exciting new resources.

- CHANGE! For 2020, the deductible will be \$2,800 for single and \$5,600 for family.
- CHANGE! Compass Health was acquired by alight. Solutions, services aren't changing - just a new logo!
- NEW! Online and accessible enrollment resources with videos and helpful links!
- NEW! Decision support tool to assist you in making the best choices for you and your family!



WANT MORE INFORMATION?
Scan the code with your phone's camera to view your 2020 Employee Benefits Guide!

Use QR Codes on print postcards and direct mail to supplement digital experiences







Managers as a Resource

- Provide dedicated resources
- Promote benefits learning
- Communicate regularly
- Script the conversation



Open Enrollment Communications & Beyond



Open enrollment is coming...







Reframing Open Enrollment

Open Enrollment as an opportunity for.....

- For a financial check-up
- To remind your employees to prioritize their health and their families

 Encouraging employees to make better decisions



6 Topics To Focus On During Open Enrollment









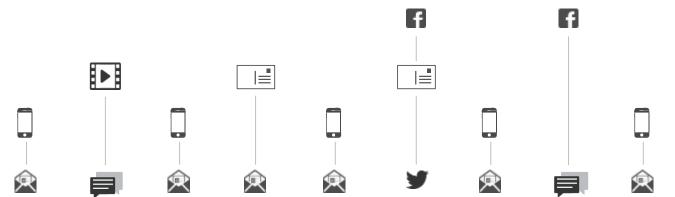
- Go beyond open enrollment memos and meetings
- Eliminate confusion
- Increase benefits use

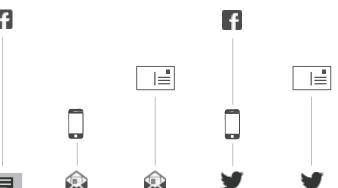


Strategic Communications Post Open Enrollment

January	February	March
Topic: "New Year New Me" Wellness Challenge Uses of FSA Weight loss Tips	Topic: "Heart Disease	Topic: "Family Planning"Family Health PlansPerks for families
April	May	June
Topic: "Tax Savings" HSA and FSA Usage Stress Awareness Tax Benefits	 Topic: "Mental Wellness" PTO Reminders EAP and Mental Health Resources Summer Planning 	 Topic: "Fun in the Sun" Sunscreen Usage Outdoor Heat Safety for Field Workers

July	August	September
Topic: "Mid Year Reminders"	Topic: "Back to School"	Topic: "Obesity Awareness"
Firework SafetySummer FitnessDisability Plans	 Getting Back Post Vacation School Supplies Savings Disability Plans 	Fitness and DietingWellness EventsLabor Day Recipes
October	November	December
Topic: "Financial Planning Month" Financial Literacy FSA Tips Breast Cancer	Topic: "Open Enrollment" Open Enrollment Reminders Featured Benefits	Topic: "Drunk Driving Prevention" PTO Reminders Holiday Safety
Breast Cancer Awareness		Holiday Parties







Case Study

Client Profile - Industry: Energy

CHALLENGE

The employer was struggling to reach a diverse, geographically dispersed and varying-level employee population.

GOAL

Effectively communicate benefits to employees and spouses nationally and internationally through unique branding and multimedia channels.

STRATEGIES IMPLEMENTED

- Communications survey with detailed analysis and recommendations
- Year-round communication calendar with custom email templates and text messaging
- Custom benefits website with links to resources, open enrollment information and new hire materials
- Custom open enrollment and new hire video
- Benefits branding throughout all benefits and open enrollment materials
- Implementation support for new internal mobile app

RESULTS

152%
Engagement on custom benefits website (users / eligible lives)

70%
Engagement on



Engagement on mobile app in less than one year

Benefits Website & Mobile App



Internal Logo & Branded Materials



Videos

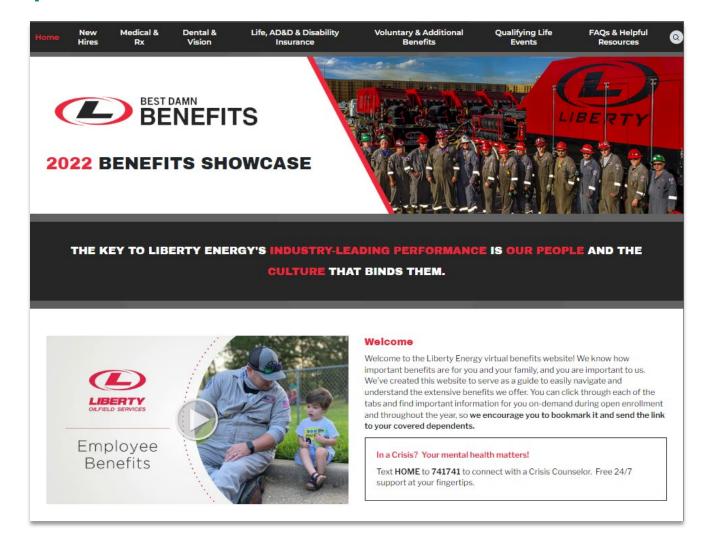




Branded Samples











Measuring Success

Open Enrollment Debrief



- Evaluate your open enrollment planning
- Measure your results
- Assess your project management
- Follow-up and identify opportunities for next year



Measure Results

Volume & Quality of Communications	Benefit & Program Utilization	Financial & Cultural Outcomes
 Web traffic Email click-through and open rates Meeting attendance (in person or online) Communications surveys Focus groups 	 Health plan enrollment Preventive care EAP PTO usage Philanthropy Growth & Development 	 Claims data Total Rewards ROI Retention & Internal promotions Employee referrals 401(k) and HSA contributions





101%
more likely to
trust
their employer's leadership

94%

more likely to feel valued or appreciated

80%
more likely to
be satisfied
with their current job

60%
more likely to
intend to still
be working
for their organization in
12 months

In Conclusion



- Educate your employees by targeting your audience
- Create a personalized experience and keep your message simple
- Use a multi-channeled approach
- Strategically plan your communications
- Measure your results and continue to improve

Q&A

