# 2017 EDITORIAL CALENDAR

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- » Infographics
- » #ICMIchat
- » Webinars
- » Tip Sheets
- » Interviews
- » Toolkits
- » Research and Benchmarks
- » Trend Reports
- » Training Tips
- » Tech Trends
- » Blogs and Articles
- » And much more!

We're always looking for original ideas, unique stories, and expert perspectives, but if you need some inspiration, a few suggestions to get your creative juices flowing, read on! (And if these ideas spark new ideas that don't fall under our featured topics, we welcome those, too!)



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## JANUARY/FEBRUARY:

**Employee Engagement (Morale and Culture)** 

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Video: The Best Questions to Ask Customer Service Job Candidates

**Article:** The Secret to Recruiting, Hiring, and Retaining Superstar Agents

**Blog:** How to Write Great Job Descriptions

Tech Trends: The Role Technology Plays in Employee Engagement

**#ICMIchat:** What Are Your Essential Tips and Tricks for Effective Onboarding?

**Infographic:** Six Characteristics of Highly Engaged Employees

**Webinar:** Myth vs. Reality: What Contact Center Agents Really Want

Trend Report: The State of Contact Center Agent Engagement

**Toolkit:** ICMI's Guide to Hiring in the Small Contact Center

#### **MARCH/APRIL:** Metrics

### **FEATURED CONTENT**

Video: Customer Experience Metrics That Matter Most

Article: The Metrics That Belong on Every Contact Center's Dashboard

**Blog:** How to Measure the Success of a Training Program

**Tech Trends:** Five Tools that Simplify the Reporting Process

**#ICMIchat:** What's Next for Contact Center Metrics?

Infographic: Seven Metrics to Watch for Contact Center Success

Webinar: The Five Most Common Contact Center Metrics Mistakes

**Trend Report:** Everything You Need to Know About New Customer Service Metrics

**Toolkit:** ICMI's Guide to Building an Effective Agent Scorecard

#### **MAY/JUNE:** Customer Experience

#### **FEATURED CONTENT**

**Video:** Ten Things You're Doing to Annoy Your Customers

Article: Why It's Time to Update Your Customer Access Strategy

**Blog:** How Millennials Are Changing Customer Expectations

**Tech Trends:** Five Technology Trends Shaping the Customer Experience

**#ICMIchat:** What Do Customers Really Want?

Infographic: Ten Expectations of Modern Customers

Webinar: How to Build a Successful VOC Program

**Trend Report:** Three Trends Changing Customer Expectations

**Toolkit:** ICMI's Guide to Customer Journey Mapping

#### **JULY/AUGUST:** Omnichannel Customer Service

#### **FEATURED CONTENT**

- Video: #CCTR Mean Tweets
- Article: Omnichannel vs. Multichannel: What's the Difference
- **Blog:** The Keys to Delivering Great Social Customer Service
- **Tech Trends:** Tools that Enable a Seamless Omnichannel Experience
- **#ICMIchat:** How Can We Humanize Customer Service?
- Infographic: Omnichannel Customer Service: Hype or Holy Grail?
- **Webinar:** Award-Winning Contact Centers Share Tips for Delighting Customers
- **Trend Report:** Prepare Now for the Contact Center of 2020
- **Toolkit:** ICMI's Guide to Effective Chat and Email Scripts

#### **SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER:** Workforce Optimization



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**Video:** The Great Debate: Employee Engagement vs. Employee Satisfaction

Article: Selecting the Right WFO Vendor

**Blog:** Scheduling Tips for the Small Contact Center

Tech Trends: Five Essential Features of a WFO Tool

**#ICMIchat:** What's Your Strategy for Reducing Agent Attrition?

Infographic: Ten Tips for Surviving Peak Season

**Webinar:** Uncovering the Costs and Causes of Contact Center Attrition

**Trend Report:** What's Next for WFO?: Three Trends to Watch in 2018

**Toolkit:** ICMI's Guide to Accurate Forecasting and Staffing

#### **NOVEMBER/DECEMBER:** The State of the Contact Center

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**Video:** Giving Thanks for Customer Service Superstars

Article: Year in Review: What Changed in 2017?

**Blog:** The Year Ahead: What Contact Centers Can Expect in 2018

**Tech Trends:** Three Ways Contact Center Technology Evolved in 2017

**#ICMIchat:** Lessons Learned from the Biggest #custserv Stories of the Year

Infographic: The Most Powerful Customer Service Quotes of 2017

Webinar: The Most Important Contact Center Trends of 2017

Trend Report: Contact Center Benchmarking Report

**Toolkit:** ICMI's Step-by-Step Guide to Employee Wellness



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