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3-DAY ACCREDITED SKILLS PROGRAMME ON:

# CUSTOMER CARE & SERVICE EXCELLENCE

(Apply Client Service Techniques to Improve Service Delivery)

Aligned to US: 120310, NQF Level 5, 6 Credits

08-10 December 2025 Next Dates: TBA 2026 Venue: Centurion, Pretoria

#### INTRODUCTION/OVERVIEW:

Providing outstanding customer service often makes the difference between gaining and keeping a customer or losing one. This course offers the tools and techniques to ensure you build and maintain mutually beneficial relationships with your customers. As a result, they become loyal advocates for you and your organisation.

This skills programme explains why attention to detail is a key to success and a mark of real professionalism in any job. Learners also learn to evaluate their own experience and responsibilities as customers – preparing them to identify with and ensure cooperation from those served. Learners will learn what exceptional service is, how to project a customer-friendly image, how to handle demanding customers, and more.

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

This programme is intended for:

- Elected political leaders;
- Public sector officials involved with the service delivery activities that require use of public assets to render services to the communities:
- Front-desk officials;
- Private sector officials responsible for Customer Care;
- Heads of service delivery departments/directorates/units;
- Supervisors;
- Training officials.



This programme will contribute to the development of management skills of South Africa's public officials and political executives, strategic executive managers and other role-players contributing to the development of improved service delivery to communities.

The qualifying learner will be able to apply the appropriate knowledge, skills and values to employ client service techniques that are suited to varying customer behaviour and characteristics.

#### MINIMUM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- It is assumed that learners are competent in:
  - Communication at NQF Level 4;
  - Mathematical Literacy at NQF Level 4.
- Learners attending the course will be required to supply certified copies of their Identity Document and Matric Certificate.

#### PROGRAMME OUTCOME & ASSESSMENT CRITERIA:

Most companies have slogans that boast: "Customer satisfaction guaranteed."

In today's competitive marketplace, satisfying the customer is not enough – delivering **superior** service and going that extra mile to ensure your customer will return, requires a dedicated employee.

This three-day programme is designed to create awareness of every employee's responsibility towards the organisation's customers and to grow true customer loyalty. Suggested techniques are practical, easy and rewarding. Role-playing in various recorded scenarios followed by evaluation will affirm the most appropriate responses and behaviour.

The programme furthermore focuses on growing the individual as a whole and enhancing self-confidence and efficiency.

## After successful completion of this skills programme, self-study and assignment the learner will be able to:

- ❖ Analyse the relationship between service communication and client behavior and characteristics;
- Apply client service techniques;
- ❖ Apply client techniques to high-risk customer relations;
- Apply professional conduct in service provision.

#### PROGRAMME CONTENT/OUTLINE:

#### **A DAY ONE: IDENTIFY CUSTOMER NEEDS**

- o SESSION ONE: Customer Service Principles
  - Superior customer service definition and evaluation;
  - Becoming customer centered mediocre, zero or serious effort;
  - Analyse the relationship between service communication and client behavior characteristics;
  - Customer psychology;
  - Critical impact moments.

#### SESSION TWO: Customer Service and Effective Communication

- Customer care checklist;
- Apply client service techniques;
- Interpersonal effectiveness;
- Non-verbal impactors;
- · Corporate and personal image;
- Body language posture, eye-contact, gestures.



#### **❖ DAY TWO: CLIENT SERVICE TECHNIQUES**

- SESSION THREE: Getting Information
  - Verbal impactors GAFSG;
  - Reactive vs. proactive language;
  - Critical service dimensions;
  - Listening techniques active vs. passive listening;
  - Apply client service to high-risk customer relations.

#### SESSION FOUR:

- Apply professional conduct in service provision;
- Role playing video-recorded interaction between client and service agent;
- Observation and evaluation;
- Assignments.

#### o SESSION FIVE:

- Effective vocal usage flexibility and clarity;
- Resonance and articulation;
- Practical exercises.

#### ❖ DAY THREE: DEMONSTRATE THE ABILITY TO DEAL WITH DIFFICULT AND HIGH RISK CLIENTS

#### SESSION SIX: Empathy and Assertiveness vs Aggression

- Assertiveness vs. Aggression;
- Creative problem solving;
- Shining in difficult situations and handling irate clients;
- Role playing observation and evaluation.

#### SESSION SEVEN:

- The peak performance programme;
- Securing mental attitude;
- The six characteristics of a solidly positive mental attitude;
- Questions and closure.

#### SESSION EIGHT: Recognise and Apply The Principles of Batho Pele In Servicing Your Customers

- Batho Pele Principles:
- The purposes of Batho Pele principles;
- Implication of the Batho Pele Principles;;
- How to apply the principles of Batho Pele to your work;
- Successful implementation of Batho Pele principles;
- Batho Pele and Public Service:
- The Batho Pele Handbook:
  - Professional conduct in service provision;
  - Service delivery improvement plans;
  - Service delivery improvements and client confidentiality.

#### SESSION NINE

Effective Telephone Skills.

#### **UNIT STANDARD:**

This programme is aligned to the following Unit Standard: **120310. Unit Standard Title:** Apply client service techniques to improve service delivery. This core unit standard is an extract of the following qualification: *National Certificate: Public Administration (50060) NQF Level 5, 6 Credits.* 

#### PROGRAMME ACCREDITATION:

This skills programme is accredited with the PSETA (Public Sector SETA).



#### **ASSESSMENT:**

Learners will have to prove their competence in applying the knowledge, skills and behaviour learnt during class exercises and group work. Each learner must submit a portfolio of evidence within a specific time-frame.

#### **RE-SUBMISSIONS:**

When a learner is found Not Yet Competent they will be given one chance to re-submit; they will have 7 days (weekends & holidays included) to complete their PoE/Assignment. Should they not meet this deadline or if they are found Not Competent for the second time they will have to book, pay and attend the programme/course at their own expense.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

The attendance of the first day of class as well as a total minimum of 80% class attendance is compulsory in order to be eligible to hand in your PoE/ Assignment. After the successful completion of this skills programme and the portfolio of evidence (PoE), learners will receive a **PSETA** Certificate of Competence. Alternatively learners will receive a **LeMark** Letter of Attendance.

RATE: R8 505.00 (incl. VAT) Per Person (Breakfast, Lunch, Refreshments & Study Material).

VENUE: Centurion/ Pretoria.

**REFERENCE NUMBER**: Please Use Your Invoice Number.

**CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION**: Last Working Day before Programme Starts.

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