# DRIVING INSIGHTS

# **EPISODE 14: ROAD MAP**

To BDC, or not to BDC? That is the Question.

### 1. Assess your dealership's needs

- · Evaluate current service department performance
- · Identify areas for improvement
- · Determine if a Service BDC aligns with dealership goals and objectives

# 2. Define roles and responsibilities

- · Outline functions and tasks of the Service BDC
  - Appointment scheduling
  - Customer follow-up
  - Communication
- · Create detailed job descriptions for BDC Manager and Consultants

# 3. Establish key performance indicators (KPIs)

- · Identify metrics to measure Service BDC success
  - Call conversion rates
  - Appointment show rates
  - Customer satisfaction scores
  - Revenue per repair order

#### 4. Invest in the right tools and technology

- · Equip Service BDC with essential tools
  - Comprehensive CRM system
  - Integrated phone system
  - Dealership management system (DMS)
- Streamline processes and enable data-driven decision-making

# 5. Develop standardized processes

- Create well-documented, step-by-step procedures for handling various customer scenarios
  - Appointment scheduling
  - Follow-ups
  - Issue escalation
- Ensure consistency and efficiency



#### 6. Hire and train the right people

- · Recruit individuals with strong communication skills and a customer-centric mindset
- Provide comprehensive training on dealership services, tools, processes, and customer service best practices

# 7. Foster a culture of continuous improvement

- Encourage Service BDC team to share ideas, best practices, and lessons learned
- · Regularly review processes, seek feedback from customers and employees
- · Make data-driven decisions to optimize performance

### 8. Integrate with your service department

- Ensure seamless communication and collaboration between Service BDC and service department
- Establish clear lines of communication and define escalation procedures
- · Involve Service Manager in BDC's operations

# 9. Launch a pilot program

- · Run a pilot program before fully implementing the Service BDC
  - Test processes
  - Gather feedback
  - Make necessary adjustments
- · Refine approach and ensure a smoother rollout

# 10. Continuously monitor and adapt

- Regularly review Service BDC's performance using established KPIs
- Analyze data and gather feedback from customers and employees
- Make data-driven decisions to continuously improve operations and adapt to changing customer needs and industry trends

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