



*Present*

# Improving AOA Tradeshow Lead Management for Higher Sales Conversion

## Webinar Discussion Points

1. Key insights on lead management.
2. Defining what is and isn't a lead.
3. Calculate the real cost of poor lead management
4. Setting realistic lead goals and building staff accountability.
5. Identifying the best information to capture to qualify leads.
6. Using state-of-the-art lead capture technology.
7. Overview Optometry's Meeting lead retrieval products.
8. How to create and use a tool to track lead goals.
9. Creating an easy to apply lead grading system.
10. How to route leads and track lead progress and sales conversion.
11. Best practices for following-up.

1. How important are leads to the success of your exhibit program?  
Critical Important Somewhat Important  Not Important
  
2. Do you...
  - a. Capture leads? Yes No Unsure  
If yes, how?
  - b. Know what becomes of your leads? Yes No Unsure
  - c. Set specific lead goals? Yes No Unsure

### **Key Insights on Lead Management**

1. If you're not writing orders at the show, the REAL product is leads.
2. \_\_\_\_\_% of show leads are never followed-up.
3. \_\_\_\_\_% of sales people view show leads as cold calls.
4. \_\_\_\_\_% of buyers receive information after they have made a buying decision.
5. The problem starts with perception of lead value and the CAPTURE process.
6. Most exhibitors don't know what becomes of show leads.

### **Why is This Happening?**

- Perceived \_\_\_\_\_ of tradeshow leads.
- Marketing and Sales “disconnect”.
- Lack of exhibit staff \_\_\_\_\_.
  - \_\_\_\_\_% of booth staff have never received one single hour of professional training on how to work an exhibit.
- Lack of “clarity” on what a lead really is.
- Lack of a “Closed-Loop” lead management system.

## Calculate the Real Cost of Poor Lead Management

1. Cost Per Lead:
  - Total Show Investment/# Leads
  - $\$25,000 / 100 \text{ Leads} = \$250 \text{ per lead}$
2. Revenue Opportunity:
  - Average Sale Amount x ( # Leads x Lead Conversion %)
  - $\$5,000 \times (100 \text{ leads} \times .25\% = 25) = \$125,000$
3. Impact on Brand:
  - *How does not following up impact your company's brand perception in the market?*



## Focus on the Four Phases of Closed-Loop Lead Management



1. **Capture** high quality leads.
2. Efficiently **Route** leads to the right people for fast follow-up.
3. Effectively **Follow-Up** to convert leads to purchasing action.
4. Provide an easy method for lead recipients to **Report** progress and sales conversion.

## Define What Is and What Isn't a Lead

### What Is a Lead?

1. Personal Interaction
2. Qualifying Questions Asked
3. Answers \_\_\_\_\_
4. Next Step \_\_\_\_\_ and Agreed To by Visitor

### What Isn't a Lead?

- Business card in a fish bowl or somebody's pocket
- Badge swipe or scan with no engagement or additional information

## How to Set Realistic Lead Goals

**Exhibit Interaction Capacity** formula calculates the number of face-to-face interactions you can execute in your exhibit.

Use Exhibit Interaction Capacity formula to set Lead Goals:

|                             | <u>Example</u> | <u>Participant</u> |
|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| ● # of exhibiting hours     | 15             | 15                 |
| ● # of booth staff          | <u>x 2</u>     | x _____            |
| ● Total staff hours         | 30             | _____              |
| ● Interactions/hr/staffer   | <u>x 4</u>     | x _____            |
| ● Total target interactions | 120            | _____              |
| ● % of visitors to lead     | <u>x.25</u>    | x _____            |
| ● <b>Lead goal</b>          | <b>30</b>      | _____              |

## It's About What's Next!

Clarity of and commitment to \_\_\_\_\_ are critical leverage points to improve lead quality...

➤ *Ask and ye shall receive!*

## Determine the Best Information to Capture to Qualify Leads

### \* Typical information areas might include:

- Email Address
- Product Interest & Level of Interest
- Buying Role and/or Influence
- Evaluation and/or Decision Team
- Competitors Buying From or Looking At
- Purchase Timeframe or Season
- Next Action Step
- Other?



### \* Customize your lead capture device to make sure you get this information!

## How to Get Your Sales Team and/or Distributors to Support Your Lead Management Process

1. Communicate how you are \_\_\_\_\_
2. Calculate and share your Cost Per Lead
3. Set three firm lead reporting dates
4. Consider contests to build accountability
5. Consider charging for leads to dealers/distributors and independent reps who don't follow-up or report

## Four Generations of Lead Capture Devices

1. Collect business cards
2. Use a paper lead form
3. Rent show lead capture system
  - Rent and customize with qualifiers
4. Buy a universal lead capture system
  - Be sure to discuss with show's lead capture company to determine how to capture encrypted data

A paper lead form titled 'OPPORTUNITY CARD' with a date field 'Month: 07/2013' and 'Show Day: 01/01/2013'. It contains several sections with checkboxes and text boxes for capturing lead information.

## How to Develop an Opportunity Card

The image shows a form titled "Company OPPORTUNITY CARD" with various fields and checkboxes. Red arrows point from text labels on the right to specific sections of the form:

- Contact information** points to the Name, Company, Direct Phone, and E-mail fields.
- Relationship with company** points to the "Customer, Prospect, Suspect, Other?" checkboxes.
- Marketing recon** points to the "How did you LEARN ABOUT EXHIBIT?" section.
- Situational questions** points to the "GOALS/PROBLEMS?" section.
- Area of interest** points to the "OPPORTUNITY" section.
- Qualification questions** points to the "ROLE in Evaluation/Decision?" section.
- Next action** points to the "What is our Next ACTION?" section.
- Space for free hand notes** points to the "NOTES:" section.

Other sections in the form include: "1. How did you LEARN ABOUT EXHIBIT?", "2. Type of COMPANY?", "3. Job FUNCTION?", "4. Using PRODUCT/SERVICE?", "5. GOALS/PROBLEMS?", "6. ROLE in Evaluation/Decision?", "7. EVALUATION Stage?", "8. TIMEFRAME?", and "9. What is our Next ACTION?".

## Official Show Lead Retrieval Vendor



Telephone: (866)600-5253

Fax: 708-344-4444

2651 Warrenville Rd #400, Downers Grove, IL 60515

<http://www.compusystems.com/order>

**Order form located on Freeman website:**

<http://www.freemanco.com/store/browse/category.jsp?showID=416869>

## CompuSystems Lead Retrieval

# The smart way to collect leads



App works with all iPhone, iPad and Android devices with this year's and the previous year's operating system.

### CompuLEAD Smart Lead Retrieval App

Download the app and activate it via a unique activation code

- Transfer activations between your staff's devices
- Custom qualifiers and survey questions
- Edit lead information and add notes
- Scan badges on and off the show floor even when cellular/Wi-Fi connection is lost
- Send your own marketing materials to your leads from the app
- Get personal in-booth training (additional charges apply)
- Wireless printer (additional charges apply)



Mobile Plus



Optional Wireless Printer

### CompuLEAD Smart Badge Scanner

A rental device equipped with the Smart app

- Custom qualifiers and survey questions
- Edit lead information and add notes
- Scan badges on and off the show floor even when cellular/Wi-Fi connection is lost
- Get in-booth delivery, setup and training (additional charges apply)
- Wireless printer (additional charges apply)



### Follow-up

Included FREE with your CompuLEAD order is myLEADS, CompuSystems premier post show follow up service. myLEADS allows you to view all of your leads and provides a powerful suite of post-show follow-up services.

- Download leads directly to your own CRM or database
- Print leads and mailing labels
- Send broadcast emails to your leads
- Run reports to help measure ROI

|   |  | 05/02/16<br>EARLY BIRD  | 05/17/16<br>ADVANCE | STANDARD | QTY                      | TOTAL |
|---|--|---|---------------------|----------|--------------------------|-------|
| <b>Packages</b>   |  |   |                     |          |                          |       |
| <b>CompuLEAD Smart App 3 User Activation</b> (115)  | • Custom qualifiers and surveys<br>• 15 pieces of literature (15 PDFs, 5 MB each)<br>• 5 links to videos | \$570   | \$610               | \$655    | ___                      | \$___ |
| <b>CompuLEAD Smart Badge Scanner</b> (114)  | • Custom qualifiers and surveys<br>• Wireless printer<br>• Delivery, setup and in-booth training         | \$595   | \$660               | \$745    | ___                      | \$___ |
| <b>CompuLEAD Smart App Unlimited User Activations</b> (116)   | • Custom qualifiers and surveys<br>• 15 pieces of literature (15 PDFs, 5 MB each)<br>• 5 links to videos | \$905   | \$940               | \$990    | ___                      | \$___ |
| <b>Individual Items</b>   |  |   |                     |          |                          |       |
| <b>CompuLEAD Smart App 3 User Activation</b> (173A)   |  | \$450   | \$490               | \$540    | ___                      | \$___ |
| <b>CompuLEAD Smart Badge Scanner</b> (174A)   |  | \$450   | \$490               | \$540    | ___                      | \$___ |
| <b>CompuLEAD Smart App Unlimited User Activations</b> (178A)  |  | \$800   | \$840               | \$890    | ___                      | \$___ |
| <b>Add-ons</b>  |  |   |                     |          |                          |       |
| <b>Wireless Printer</b> (187A)  |  | +\$80   | +\$95               | +\$115   | ___                      | \$___ |
| <b>Setup and In-Booth Training For Smart</b> (108)  |  | +\$95   | +\$110              | +\$130   | <input type="checkbox"/> | \$___ |
| <b>Delivery, Setup and In-Booth Training For Mobile Plus</b> (08)   |  | +\$95   | +\$110              | +\$130   | <input type="checkbox"/> | \$___ |
| <b>Payment</b>  |  |   |                     |          |                          |       |
| Contact Name/Title _____ Company Name _____ Booth # (if required) _____<br>Address _____<br>City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Country _____<br>Phone _____ Onsite Cell _____ Fax _____<br>Email _____ Alternate Email (to receive leads post-show) _____  |  | Subtotal \$ _____<br>Processing Fee \$ 15.00<br><b>TOTAL \$ _____</b><br>All applicable taxes will be added.  |                     |          |                          |       |
| Credit card deposit required for all rentals. Order will appear as LEAD RETRIEVAL on credit card statement.<br>By signing this order form, I declare that I have fully read, understand and agree to abide by the Terms and Conditions listed on the product description page.<br><input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> MC <input type="checkbox"/> Amex |  |   |                     |          |                          |       |
| Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____<br>Cardholder Name _____ Cardholder Signature _____   |  | All orders subject to a \$100 cancellation fee.<br>No refunds after 06/01/16.<br>No refunds on CompuLEAD Smart.<br><b>Order</b><br>compusystems.com/order<br>Fax: +1 708.344.4444<br><b>For assistance</b><br>Inside the U.S. (Toll-free): 866.600.LEAD (5323)<br>Outside the U.S.: +1 708.786.5565 |                     |          |                          |       |

## Create & Use a Tool to Track Lead Goals

| Daily Lead Goal versus Actual Scorecard |             |                  |            |          |            |          |            |          |                    |
|---|-------------|------------------|------------|----------|------------|----------|------------|----------|--------------------|
| Day                                     | Total Hours | % of Total Hours | AM Shift   |          | PM Shift   |          | Total      |          | Variance From Goal |
|   |             |                  | Goal       | Actual*  | Goal       | Actual*  | Goal       | Actual   |                    |
| 1                                       | 8           | 22%              | 36         |          | 36         |          | 72         | 0        | -72                |
| 2                                       | 8           | 22%              | 36         |          | 36         |          | 72         | 0        | -72                |
| 3                                       | 8           | 22%              | 36         |          | 36         |          | 72         | 0        | -72                |
| 4                                       | 8           | 22%              | 36         |          | 36         |          | 72         | 0        | -72                |
| 5                                       | 5           | 14%              | 23         |          | 23         |          | 45         | 0        | -45                |
| <b>Total</b>                            | <b>37</b>   | <b>100%</b>      | <b>167</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>167</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>333</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>-333</b>        |

\* Lead Captain must complete at end of each shift/day.

## Develop an Easy-to-Apply Lead Grading System

| Lead Grade | Time Frame for Purchase | Budget Identified | Buying Role                 |   |
|------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| A+         | 0 to 3 Months           | Yes               | Final Say/Specify           | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Determine what information would help assign value to a lead</li> <li>Determine the number of codes required</li> <li>Define what each code means</li> <li>Make sure data and lead grading codes are integrated into the capture device</li> </ol> |
| A          | 4 to 6 Months           | Yes               | Final Say/Specify           |   |
| B+         | 7 to 9 Months           | Yes               | Final Say/Specify Recommend |   |
| B          | 10 to 12 Months         | Yes               | Recommend                   |   |
| C+         | More than 1 Year        | Yes               | Recommend                   |   |
| C          | Unknown                 | No                | No Role                     |   |

## Assign a Lead Captain

Responsibilities of the Lead Captain:

- \_\_\_\_\_ and communicates lead goal.
- Ensures availability and functionality of capture devices.
- \_\_\_\_\_ lead goals versus actual.
- Acknowledges performance & corrects non-performance.
- Ensures data entry into CRM system and routing.
- Possibly, the point of contact for post-show reporting.



## **Build a Culture of Lead Reporting**

1. Create Culture of Reporting
  - Communicate Cost Per Lead.
  - Inform or cc lead recipient's manager.
  - Use \_\_\_\_\_ to kick-off the program.
2. Hold End of Shift or Day Lead Review Meeting
3. Close of Show Report
  - Number of leads captured versus goal.
  - Cost Per Lead.
  - Number of Leads and % by Priority Code.
  - Potential revenue value of leads.

## **Best Practices for Lead Response Management**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ of response – fast information delivery equals higher conversion rate
2. Best days to make follow-up calls: \_\_\_\_\_ and Thursday
3. Best times to make follow-up calls: Between 4:00 pm and 5:00 pm
4. Average follow-up stops after two attempts.
5. Persistence – by making a few more call attempts, you can increase contact and conversion rate by 70%

Source: Harvard Business Review

## **Use Follow-Up Techniques to “Wow” and Be There When They’re Ready to Buy**

1. Prepare lead follow-up plan by priority BEFORE show.
2. Follow-up FAST or in line with visitor request.
3. Plan for \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ touches over the next 3 to 6 months.
4. Integrate multiple media:
  - \* Email
  - \* Mail
  - \* Telephone
  - \* In-person visits
  - \* Social media
5. Deliver real value... don't just sell!
  - \* Social media posts and groups
  - \* \_\_\_\_\_
  - \* Product samples
  - \* Promotional products (refillable)
  - \* Testimonial letters and videos

### **Best Practices for Following-Up**

- Mail
  - Reference their request from the show
  - Clear call to action
  - Reward for responding
  - Do at least 3 post-show spaced mailers

## **Best Practices for Following-Up**

- Email
  - Optometry's Meeting: information you requested
  - 75 character subject line, 120 word body copy
  - Only half of top of body copy should be HTML masthead
  - Only one \_\_\_\_\_
  - Avoid sending attachments early in the relationship
- Telephone
  - In the booth, ask for best time to call
  - Try to get cell phone number
  - Be brief, be interesting and be gone
  - Get them talking by asking questions
  - Know your \_\_\_\_\_ before calling
- Social Media
  - Connect, Follow or Friend them
  - Join groups they are members of
  - Add to or start conversations
  - Use Linked-In in mail
  - Focus on sharing \_\_\_\_\_, not hard selling
  - Provide links to blogs, articles and useful videos

What were the three most important ideas you learned in this webinar?

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

## **AOA Commitment to Exhibitor Education & Success**

- Exhibitor Success & ROI Center:
  - Live and Re-playable Webinars
  - “How To” Exhibiting Article Series
  - “Ask the Tradeshow Expert” Email Q&A
  
- Bookmark, Share and Access at:
  - <http://exhibitsom.org/2016/Public/Content.aspx?ID=2158&sortMenu=103008>