

# Rewarding the Sales Rep of the Future

Three Game Changers and What You Need to Know NOW!

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- Sales Capacity and Goal Design
- Talent Assessment and Planning
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- Sales Compensation
- Quota Setting
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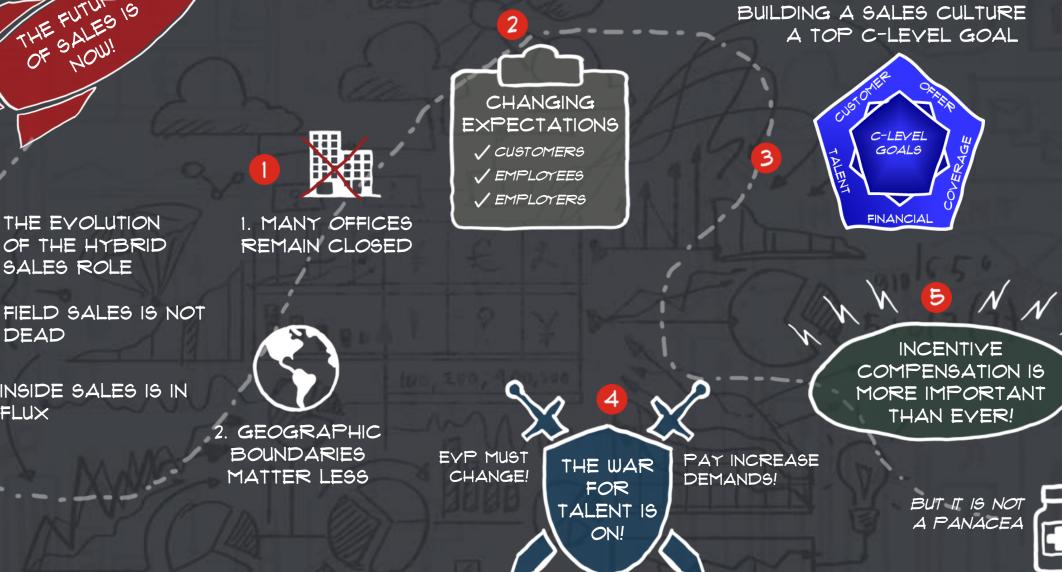
#### THE STORY ON ROLES , EMERGENCE OF HYBRID SALES





#### THE STORY ON ROLES CHANGING EXPECTATIONS







THE EVOLUTION OF THE HYBRID SALES ROLE

THE FUTURE OF SALES IS

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DEAD



INSIDE SALES IS IN FLUX

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# THE SALES ROLES OF THE FUTURE



INSIDE SALES ROLE

- Center of excellence remains in flux
- Geographic boundaries matter less
- Talent pool opens up
- Higher productivity being reported!

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- Lead generation and deal qualification – high demand role
- Challenges with onboarding and entry level hires
- Creating a career progression is key
  - Not just entry level
  - More aggressive pay mix
- New skills
  - Taking discovery to a new level



# THE SALES ROLES OF THE FUTURE



- In person interaction is required for success
- Geography could matter more
- Could be best positioned to fill a hybrid sales role!

### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- ✓ New skills and training required
  - Virtual selling
  - New method- problem solving
  - Outcome based or solution selling
- Not everyone will make the transition to hybrid if that's your strategy!



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# THE HYBRID SALES ROLE

#### **Definition:**

"Former field sales role that will spend a significant amount of time virtual, with some in-person interaction"

- Will still meet customers in person
- 69% of companies plan to hire field sales roles over the next 12 months

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# THE WAR FOR TALENT AND CHANGING EXPECTATIONS

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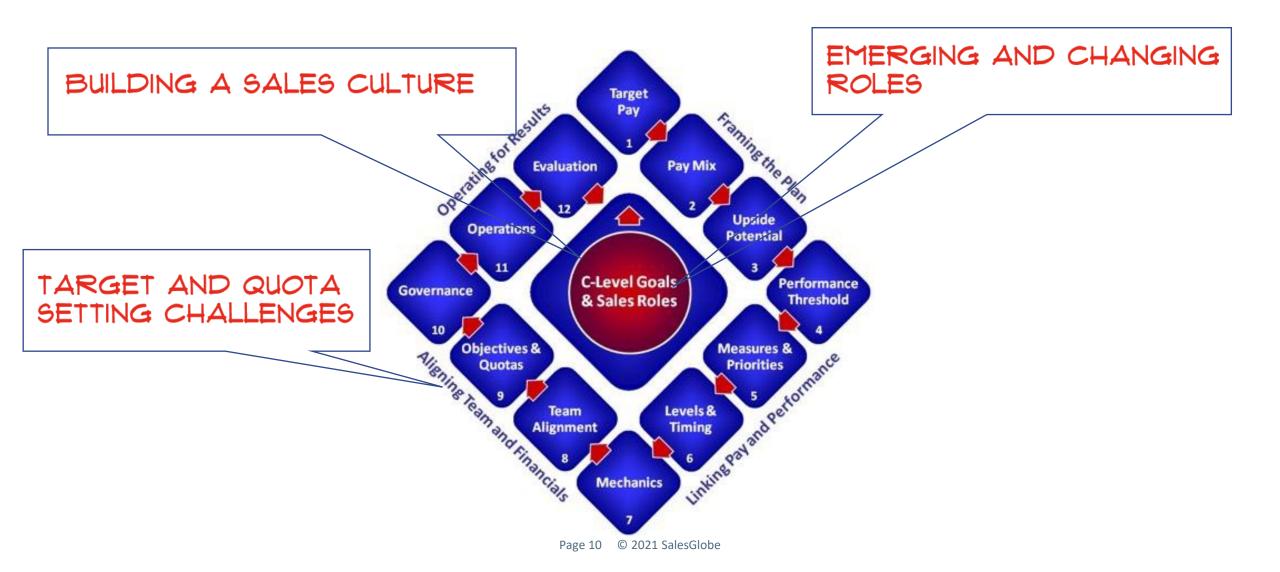
EVP MUST CHANGE! THE WAR FOR TALENT IS ON! HIGHER PAY DEMANDS!

#### **RESPONSES**

- Pay for performance plans become a priority
- Corporate shift to "A sales culture"
- ✓ More aggressive pay mix
- ✓ Rethinking incentive eligibility



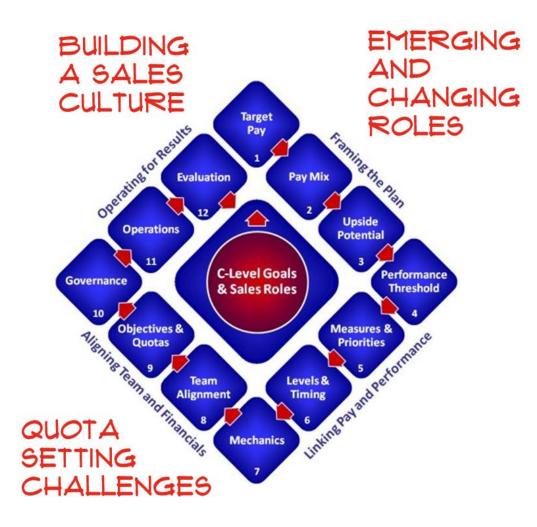
# CHANGES THAT WILL IMPACT COMPENSATION





# CHANGES TO INCENTIVE COMPENSATION

- Increasing Pay Levels Target Pay
- More Aggressive Pay Mix
- Plan Thresholds on the Increase
- Individual AND Team Targets and Measures
- Pay for Performance Plans





# IF YOU ARE THINKING... Should we put more roles on an incentive plan?

#### The Variable Pay Eligibility Scorecard

#### **1.** Interaction

What is the level of interaction with the buyer?

### 2. Influence

Does this role persuade or influence the decision to buy or sign a new contract or deal?

# 3. Position

Does the role lead, team and support, overlay, or all back-office?

### 4. Results

How does this role impact revenue generation?



# VARIABLE PAY ANALYZER EXAMPLE

Variable Pay Eligibility Analyzer									
	Interaction	Influence	Position	Results					
Sales Role	What is the level of buyer interaction?	Does the sales role persuade the customer to buy or sign a new contract on overall deal?	Does the role serve as the lead, overlay or provide back-office support?	Is the role revenue generating?	Score				
Role 1	High	Medium	Overlay	Medium	9				
Role 5	Low	Low	Support	Medium	5				
Role 6	Medium	Low	Overlay	High	8				
	Profit Sharing (0-5)	Team / Individual Ade Bonus Plan (5-8)	d-On Sales	Sales Variable Plan (SVP) (8-12)					

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#### **1.** Run a Pay Mix Scorecard

Answers key questions about each role to help you understand the right pay mix

# 3. Don't make "blanket" role moves

Consider starting with new hires, consider a transition period, global impact

## 2. Build More Upside in the Plan

Best practice: greater risk, greater incremental reward

# 4. Consider low or no threshold and a floor

A good transition plan option



# PAY MIX - WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

- Variable pay is increasing as a percentage of pay
  - New acquisition and account management roles getting closer
  - Inside sales roles are becoming more aggressive

- Hybrid roles have the highest pay mix.
  - This could be a leading indicator to the future since this role is NEW 3

Pay Mix		20	20	2021		
	n=	Base	Variable	Base	Variable	
Field New Account Seller	171	56%	46%	57%	43%	
Field Current Customer Seller	161	67%	39%	60%	40%	
Field Blended New Account and Current Customer Seller	218	63%	37%	60%	40%	
Inside Sales Inbound	144	69%	30%	65%	35%	
Inside Sales Outbound	129	70%	30%	59%	41%	
Inside Sales Inbound and Outbound	164	71%	30%	64%	36%	
Field Channel Seller	128	64%	36%	60%	40%	
Field First-Line Sales Manager	188	66%	34%	63%	37%	
Inside First-Line Sales Manager	119	67%	34%	66%	34%	
Hybrid New Account Seller	81			55%	45%	
Hybrid Current Customer Seller	75		1	54%	46%	
Hybrid Blended New Account and Current Customer Seller	118	*new in 2021		54%	46%	



# PAY MIX - KEY CONSIDERATIONS

### **1.** Revenue responsibility

Retention, penetration, new

### 2. Impact

Support or direct influence on the buying decision?

# 3. Attributes of the sale

- Sales cycle
- Transactional
- Outcome based selling or solution
- Consultative selling

- 4. Priorities
  - Selling
  - Managing
  - Service or operations

# 5. Demand and Talent

- Specialized talent
- Market supply



# PAY MIX POSITIONER EXAMPLE

Pay Mix Positioner											
Revenue Priority	This role focuses primarily on customer revenue retention.					x					This role focuses primarly on new customer acquisition.
Influence	This role must work with a sales team to influence the buying decision.									x	This role influences the buying decision on a largely individual basis.
Sales Cycle	This role follows a long sales process.					X					This role follows a short sales process.
Product Complexity	This role works within a complex buying process.					x					This role works within a simple buying process.
Product Breadth	This role manages a broad range of products.			x							This role is responsible for a single product.
Selling Attributes	This role develops a consultative and customized solution and outcome based selling			x							This role sells a simple, transactional solution.
Time	This role spends signficant time on service and operations.							x			This role spends most of its time on sales.
Demand	The market supply of talent for this role is great.			x							The market supply of talent for this role is scarce.
	Total by Category	0	0	3	0	3	0	1	0	1	
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	Result	0	0	9	0	15	0	7	0	9	
	Incentive %	Total Values to Right= Incentive Side of Mix									

Pay Mix 60/40



# WHAT WE'VE LEARNED!

- 1. Sales roles are changing and new roles emerging
  - New Skills and Talent Needed!
  - Creative Problem-Solving
  - Virtual Selling

# 2. Working remote has its challenges

The "love hate" relationship

3. Moving to a sales culture becoming a C-Level priority

Driving the importance of incentive compensation...



# WHAT YOU CAN DO TODAY!

- 1. Align with your company's C-Level Goals
- 2. Understand how sales roles are changing
- 3. Conduct a rapid sales compensation assessment

- 3. Conduct an eligibility scorecard for incentive compensation
- 4. Roll-out a pay mix positioner
- 5. Create a transition plan and communications campaign





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