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# Client Onboarding Made Easy: **Build Trust & Loyalty**



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45 Minutes

Key Takeaways

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# What We'll Discuss

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1. Creating a “New Client  
Welcome Series”

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2. Automating birthdays and  
holiday greetings

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3. Strategic tagging and CRM  
management

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4. How to personalize your  
client onboarding process

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"Firms with a structured  
onboarding process  
experience 50% greater  
new client retention."

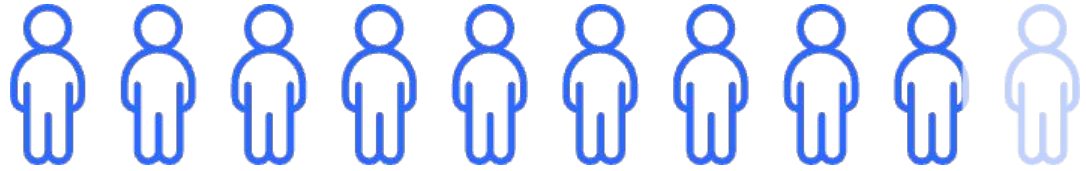
(Source: Advisor Growth Strategies)

# Onboarding Process

A systematic approach to welcoming new clients, setting expectations, and building trust.

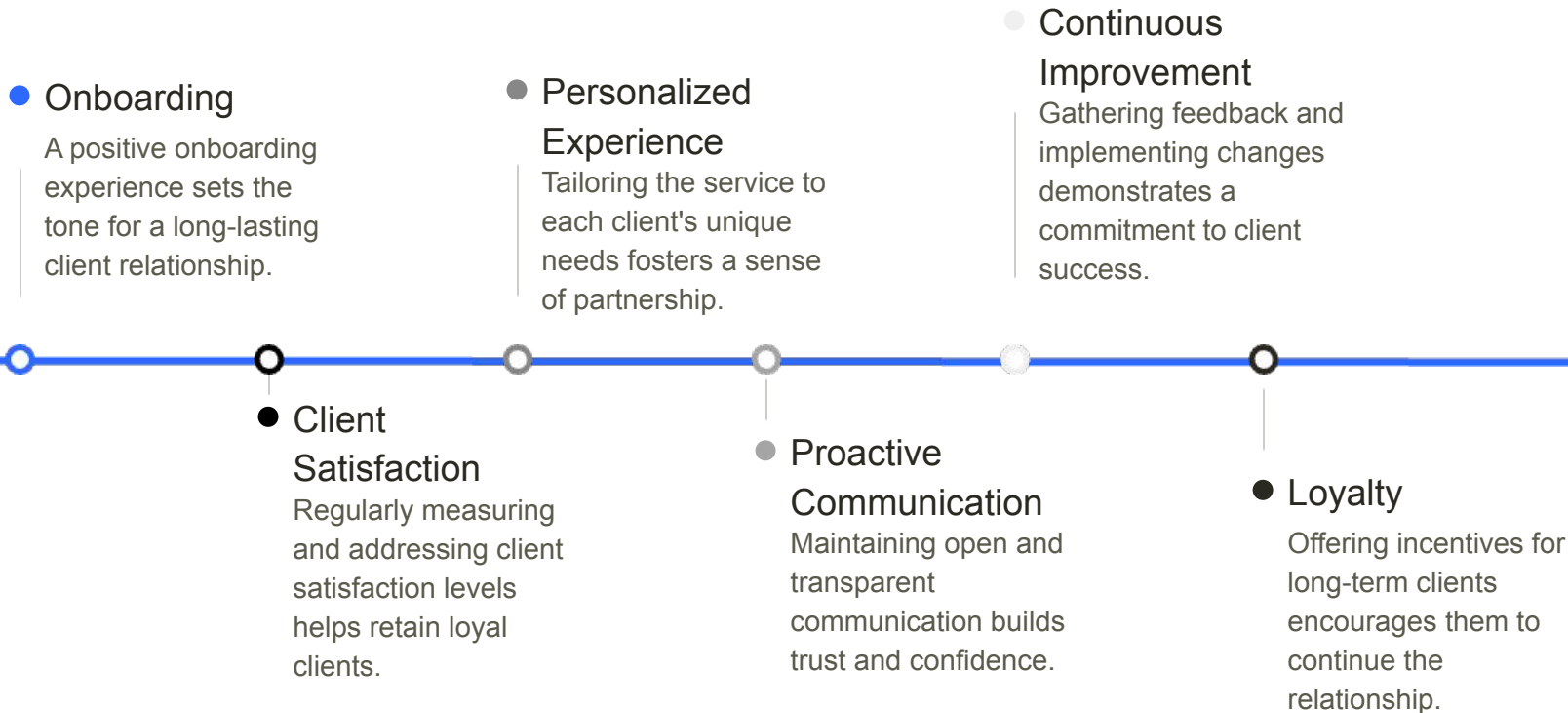
- First impressions matter: Establishing trust and clarity from the start.
- Setting expectations: Clearly defining roles, responsibilities, and goals.
- Reducing client anxiety: Providing reassurance and clarity on the process.

# 89%



"89% of clients say a good onboarding experience is critical to their decision to stay with a firm." (Source: Fenergo)

# How Does This Improve Client Longevity?





## Contact Management

Add contact to  
FMG or CRM

Assign to  
Groups

Make sure  
Birthday and  
Client  
Anniversary are  
noted

Send  
Introduction  
Email with  
Meeting  
Scheduler

## Pre Meeting

Send Pre  
Meeting Email

Pro Tip: Include  
a Video

Pro Tip: Save  
this as a  
Template

## First Meeting

Warm Greeting  
and Office Tour

Provide  
Welcome  
Packet and  
Swag

Establish  
Communication  
Preferences  
and  
Frequencies

Schedule out  
Future  
Meetings

Write a "Thank  
you" with FMG  
Greeting Card



## New Client Welcome Message



### Welcome to our family!

Hi {Firstname},

We're honored that you've chosen us to guide you in your financial decisions. Your goals are at the heart of our business, and we look forward to learning more about the life you're creating so we can support you in the best possible way.

We invite you to visit our website to learn more about our services and enjoy the great educational content we have available on a range of financial topics.

If you ever have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

# New Client Welcome Kit Procedure

This downloadable is designed to help you create the perfect welcome kit for every new client. With this kit in hand, your clients won't have any trouble gathering their important documents for your first meeting.

## Author

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## Category

Procedures

## Keywords

Downloadable

Client Meeting

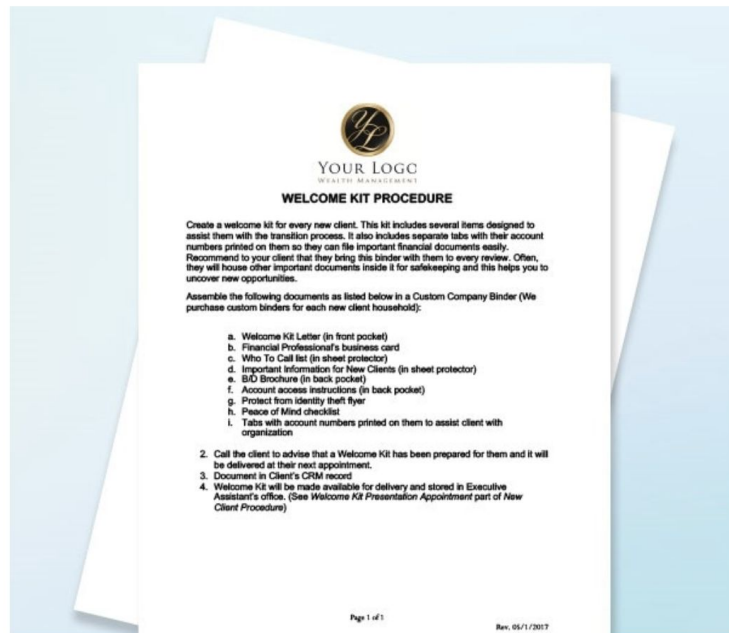
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Client Relationship

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First Meeting

New Business



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## We know staying in touch with your clients is important.

From birthdays to the holidays, we'll handle all your printed card needs. For one inclusive price, we'll print and mail your greeting cards for you, whenever you need them.



Thank You



Greeting Card History



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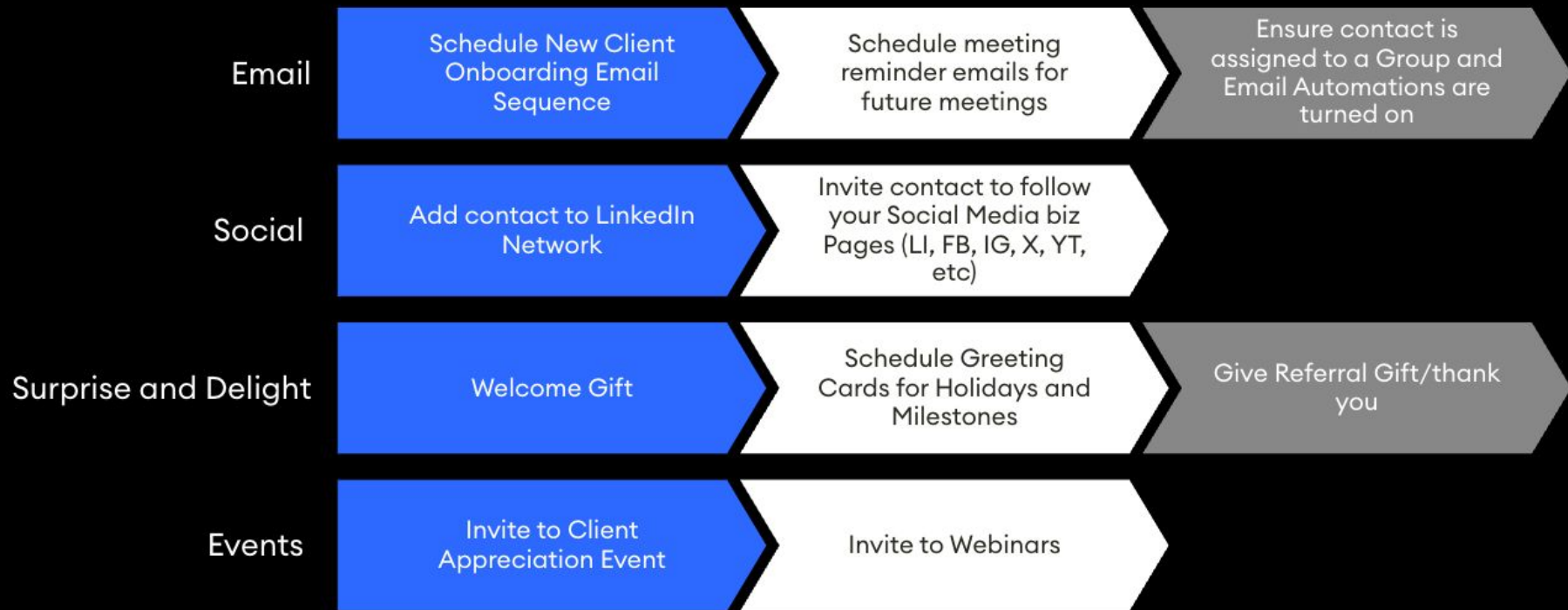
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# New Client Welcome Sequence

6 Emails

Emails for new clients along the first twelve months of your professional relationship. Build and establish a strong communication with this sequence.

## Type

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## Author

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## Keywords

Client

Communication

Feedback

Financial

Financial Statements

Greeting

New Clients

Onboarding

Relationship

Strategy

## We're Here For The Long Haul

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Hi {Firstname},

It's official: we're a team! You took a big step by connecting with us, and we're thrilled to help you go after your financial goals.


Life can move in unexpected ways. In addition to our regular check-ins, we hope you'll reach out when you experience twists or surprises. The more we know about your world, the better we can fine-tune our advice for you.

Remember, you're not alone. Please don't hesitate to reach out with questions, thoughts, or even just to connect. Hearing from clients like

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
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Workflow Templates

## FMG - Client Retention Onboarding

Client Retention Workflow Onboarding is the steps needed to stay in touch with your valued clients throughout the year. (This can also be used for prospects)


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Workflow Template Steps

 Add "Client Retention" Tag to Contact


Due: Same day as workflow start or previous step completed

Assigned To: Contact Owner

 In FMG - Send Client Relationship Nurturing Email Sequence


Due: 1 day after previous step completed

Assigned To: Contact Owner

 In LinkedIn - Add Client To your Digital Network


Due: Same day as previous step completed

Assigned To: Contact Owner

 In FMG - Invite to Client Appreciation Event


Due: Same day as previous step completed

Assigned To: Contact Owner

 In FMG - Send a Greeting Card


Due: 3 months after previous step completed

Assigned To: Contact Owner

 In FMG - Send Email to Schedule Annual Review


Due: 11 months after previous step completed

Assigned To: Contact Owner

 I need someone to "Do It For Me"

Due: 1 day after previous step completed

Assigned To: Contact Owner



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# Ways to Personalize the New Client Welcome Sequence Series

## Get Social

Invite your new clients to follow you on your LinkedIn and Social Business Pages

## Use Video

Add a video that introduces your team and staff

## Multimedia

Add value, send an eBook from the FMG Library

## Podcast or Youtube

If applicable, invite them to follow your podcast or YouTube page!

## Philanthropy

Talk about organizations near and dear to your firm and what you do in the community!

## Chief Roll Over Officer

Introduce your four-legged Chief RollOver Officer



# Best Practices for Effective Appointment Reminders



## Integrate with Scheduling Software

Find a reminder solution that seamlessly integrates with your online scheduling software to ensure timely and accurate booking confirmations and reminders.

## Offer Multiple Reminder Channels

Provide clients with the option to receive reminders via text, email, or phone calls to cater to their preferred communication method.

## Send Timely Reminders

Schedule reminders at strategic times, such as a few days or a week before the appointment, to maximize their effectiveness.

## Communicate Cancellation Policy?

- Cancellation Window
- Cancellation Fee
- Holiday Adjustments

## Provide Call to Action

Always include a clear call to action, such as confirming or rescheduling the appointment, to make it easy for clients to respond.

# Additional tips for enhancing the onboarding process:

## Use of Technology for Seamless Onboarding:

- Client Logins on Website
- E-signature tools for easy paperwork
- CRM systems for tracking client interactions
- Approved Texting Platform ie: MyRep Chat

## Offering Educational Resources:

- Webinars on financial topics
- Articles and blog posts
- Access to financial planning tools

## Soliciting Feedback to Continuously Improve the Process:

- Post-onboarding surveys
- Regular feedback sessions
- Implementing client suggestions

When advisors send an approved text message to follow up on paperwork requests previously sent by email, they often see documents completed and returned within 5 minutes.

(MyRepChat, Internal Data 2024)

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# Content Planning

## Holidays/Observances

### October

- Halloween  
(Email, Card & Social)
- Indigenous Peoples' Day  
(Email & Social)
- Rosh Hashanah  
(Email, Card & Social)

### Greeting Card



### Email



Hi (Firstname),

That spooky-yet-sweet time of year is coming - Halloween! Whether the costumes you or your kids wear are homemade or store-bought, whether the pumpkins by your home are hard-carved or plastic, whether you trick-or-treat in the neighborhood or attend a church-hosted fall festival, I wish you a fabulous time this October 31st.

Happy Halloween! Stay safe!

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Financial Advisor



Hi (Firstname),

Locally, the second Monday of October has a new meaning. What was Columbus Day is now a new holiday: Indigenous Peoples' Day.

Indigenous Peoples' Day seeks to recognize and affirm the Native cultures in America, and their great contributions to this nation. It reminds communities across the country that Native people are not part of the past, but our friends and neighbors who practice their cultures in the present. This will be a day of celebration. I wish you and those you love a wonderful Indigenous Peoples' Day.

# Content Planning

October is the Month of:

- Medicare Open Enrollment (Email & Social)
- National Financial Planning (Email & Social)
- Cyber Security Awareness (Email & Social)
- Social Security COLA Release (Email)



The adjustment is based on the average annual increase in the consumer price index (CPI) for urban wage earners and clerical workers (CPI-W) from July through September. Through August, CPI-W rose 2.4% in the past 12 months, compared to a 2.5% increase in CPI.

**Social Security's COLA**  
The 2.5% increase for 2025 is closer to the long-term average.

*Lower inflation = a lower COLA for Social Security beneficiaries*

Biggest		Smallest	
2023	8.7%	2021	1.3%
2022	5.9%	2020	1.6%
1982	7.4%	2017	0.3%
1981	11.2%	2016	0%
1980	14.2%	2014	1.5%
1979	9.9%	2011	0%
1978	6.5%	2010	0%
1977	5.9%	2003	1.4%
1976	6.4%	1999	1.3%
1975	8%	1987	1.3%



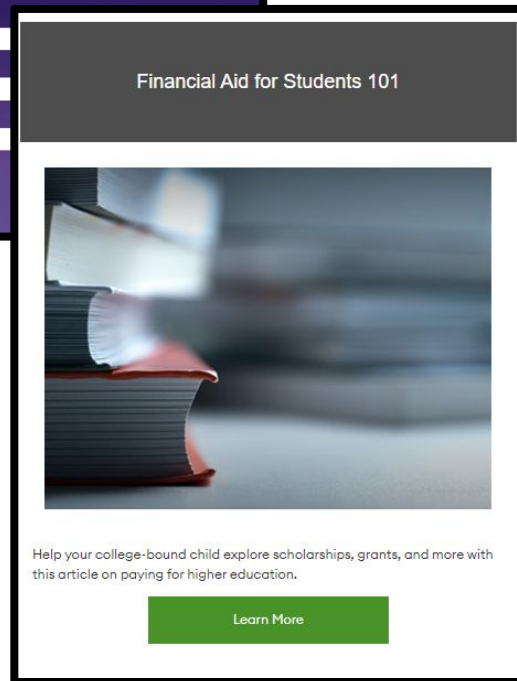
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More October content themes to consider:

- FAFSA Applications Open (Social)
- Secure Act 2.0 (Lead generating landing page)

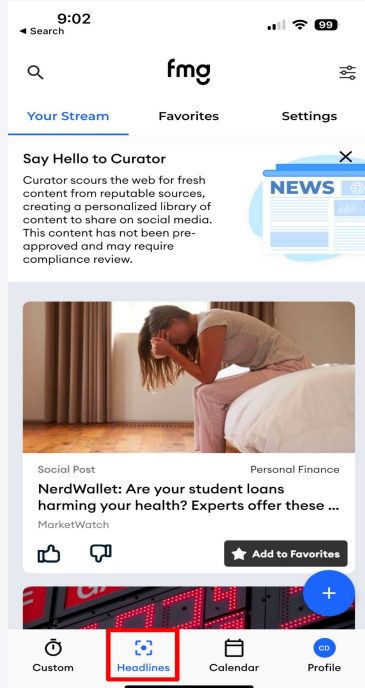


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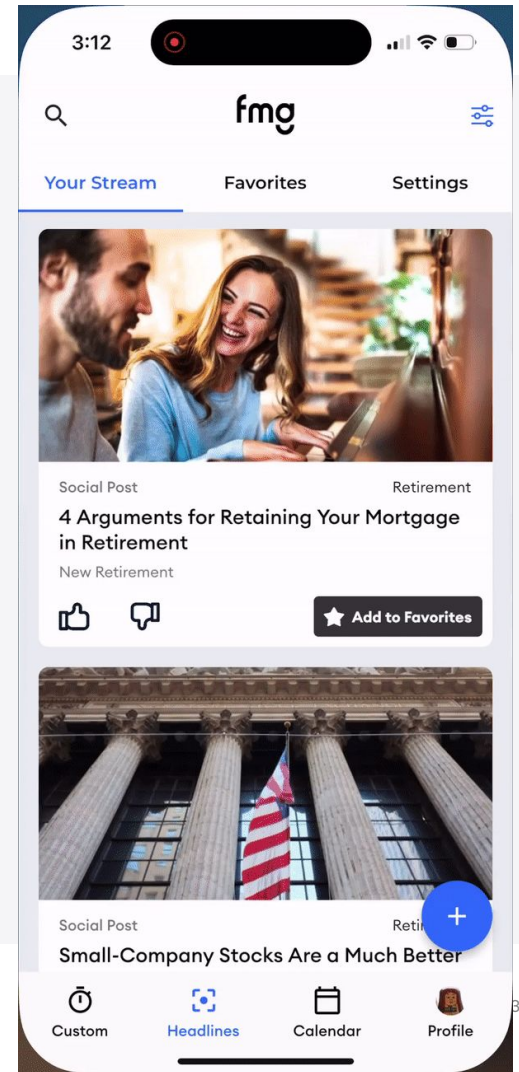


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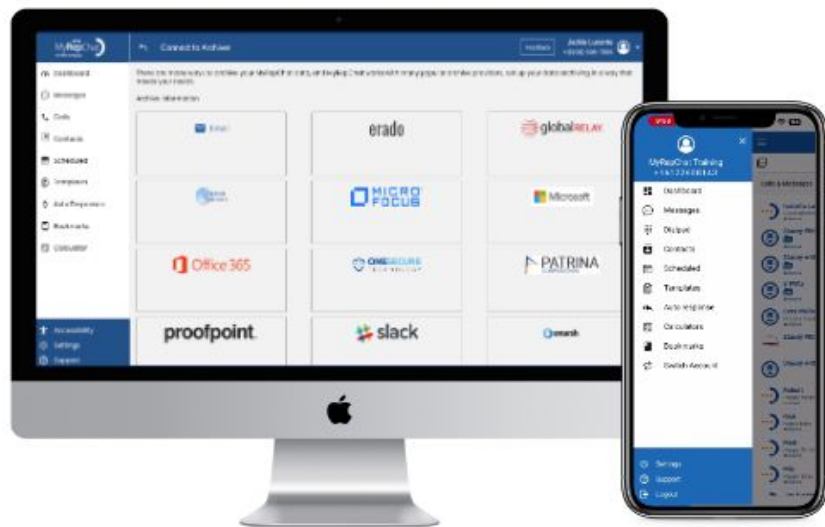


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- Write Your Own Text
- Write Text For Me



# We're better **together.**



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## Text-Messaging – Fast Facts:

- 98% open rate
- Read rate within three minutes of delivery
- An average person in the US only completes six phone calls per day, but sends or receives 32 texts



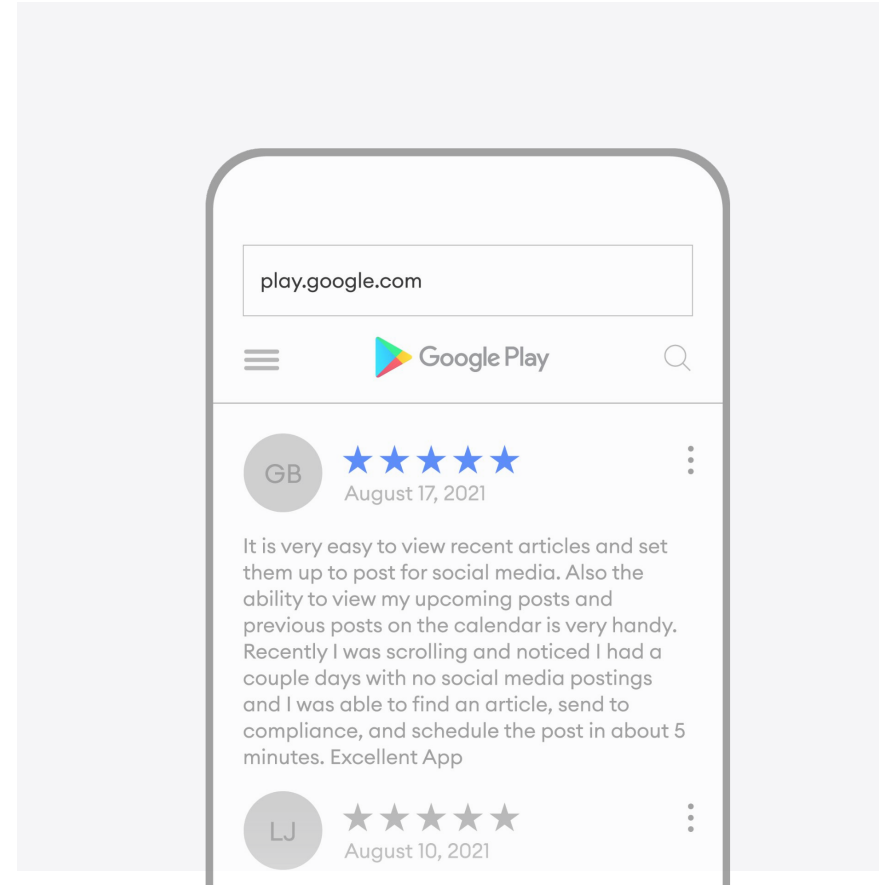
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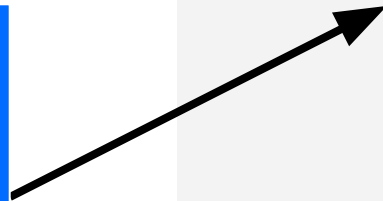
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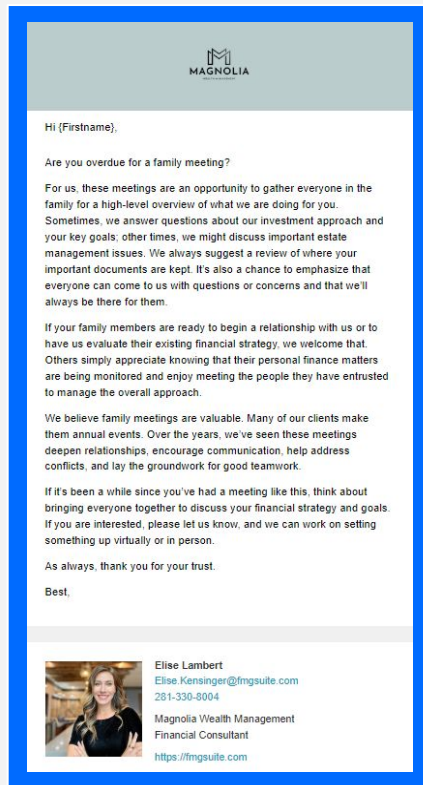
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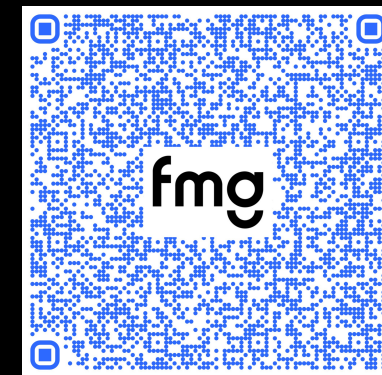


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