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# Is Your Contact Center Ready for *AI*?

*Five Questions Every Executive Should Answer Before  
Investing in Artificial Intelligence*

5-MINUTE EXECUTIVE BRIEF

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# Operational Readiness Comes Before *AI Investment*.

Artificial Intelligence is transforming customer operations.

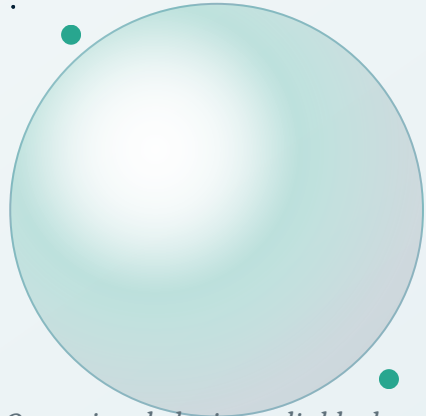
Yet many organizations begin their AI journey by purchasing technology instead of preparing their operations.

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## OPERATIONAL READINESS



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# Ask These Questions *First*.

01

## Is our customer journey clearly understood?

Organizations should understand why customers contact them before determining where AI creates value.

02

## Are our operational processes standardized?

AI performs best when processes are clearly defined and consistently executed.

03

## Can we trust our operational data?

Reliable forecasting, workforce planning, reporting, and customer analytics create the foundation for intelligent automation.

### AI READINESS

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# Technology Is Only Part of the *Decision.*

04

## Do employees understand how AI supports their work?

Successful AI adoption requires change management, communication, and workforce readiness - not simply new technology.

05

## Do we have a long-term AI strategy?

Organizations should evaluate AI investments based on business outcomes rather than individual features.

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# Characteristics of *AI-Ready Organizations*.

Leading organizations:



Clearly understand customer demand



Use operational data to guide decisions



Maintain governance over AI initiatives



Continuously improve business processes



Align AI investments with strategic objectives

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# AI Should Strengthen Operational Strategy – *Not Replace It.*

Artificial Intelligence should strengthen operational strategy - not replace it.

Organizations that first improve operational maturity are better positioned to realize meaningful value from AI while improving customer and employee experiences.

The question is no longer whether AI belongs in customer operations.

The question is whether your organization is prepared to maximize its potential.

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