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GETTING STARTED GUIDE

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Welcome to the **Nextiva Contact Center Getting Started Guide**! This guide is your go-to resource for setting up and configuring Nextiva's powerful omnichannel contact center platform. Whether you're utilizing voice, SMS, chat, email, social media, or any combination of these channels, this guide will help you get started—no matter which features you've chosen to implement.

Our step-by-step instructions are designed to make setup simple and stress-free, ensuring your contact center is ready for success from day one. From configuring your communication channels to setting up users and workflows, this guide will walk you through everything you need to hit the ground running.

Let's get started and set the foundation for a seamless, connected, and efficient contact center experience!

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Logging In

1. Visit nextiva.thrio.io to access NCC.

XBert Tip: Using Google Chrome web browser will ensure the best possible experience and avoid any potential issues or errors.

2. Enter email address and password. Select **Login**.
3. If it is your **first time logging in** or to **reset your password**, select **Forgot Password?**

- a. Find the Reset Password email sent from no-reply@nextiva.com

- b. Select the **Reset Your Password link**.

Hi

You recently requested to reset your password for your Nextiva account. Use the button below to reset it.

[Reset your password](#)

The link is only valid for the next 24 hours.

If you did not request a password reset, please ignore this email. [Please Contact Support](#) if you have questions.

Thanks,

The Nextiva Team

- c. Follow the prompts to reset the password within 24 hours of receiving the email. If 24 hours passes, select “Forgot Password” again.

XBert Tip: Upon logging in, you must allow Chrome to have access to the microphone. This is what will allow you to communicate with your headset or computer speakers. Chrome audio access will be based off your computer’s settings.



Welcome

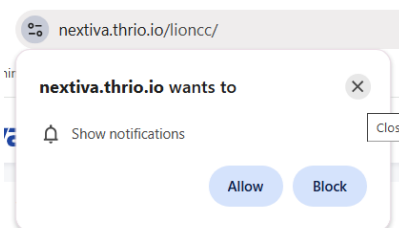
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Login



Setting Up Your Agent Profile and Preferences

The agent profile and preferences are essential for personalizing the NCC experience and ensuring efficient customer communication. In User settings, there are many options to configure in settings.

Note: All Contact Center settings are visible; however, not all apply to the Voice Only Contact Center product type.

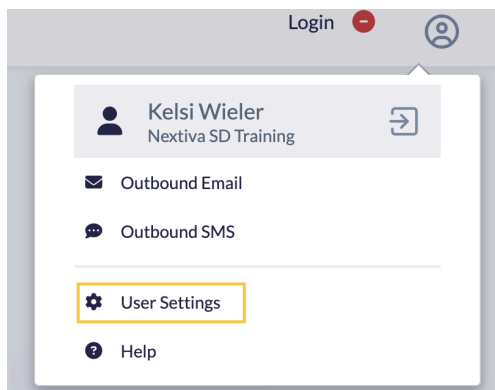
Access User Settings

1. To access User Settings, select **Settings** (avatar icon) from the top right corner. This icon, resembling a person, opens the personal settings menu.

Login 



2. Select **User Settings**.



General User Settings

Default Dial Type

The default dial type allows you to select Direct Inward Dialing (DID—also called a phone number). A default dial type can be set to drive consistency in calls. Think of it as the "face" presented to the outside world when making calls.

DEFAULT DIAL TYPE



Campaign: Utilizes a phone number associated with a specific campaign.

Personal: Uses the agent's direct number.

State: Selects a phone number based on the state or region of the recipient.

Private: Masks the caller ID, displaying a private number to the recipient.

Default Campaign Type

This section lets you choose the preferred campaigns for different types of communication. Setting defaults here can save time by automatically selecting the right campaign when making calls.

Default Outbound Campaign: Choose the campaign you use most often for making calls.

Default Campaign Extension: If needed, pick a specific extension or internal number to use with your outbound calls.

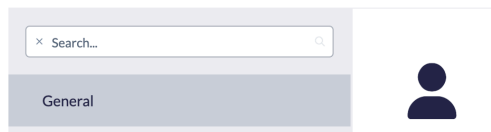
XBert Tip: Fax, SMS, and Email are not included in the Voice Only Contact Center package.



User Icon Photo

1. In General, select the **user icon**.
2. Select the image to upload. Select **Open**.

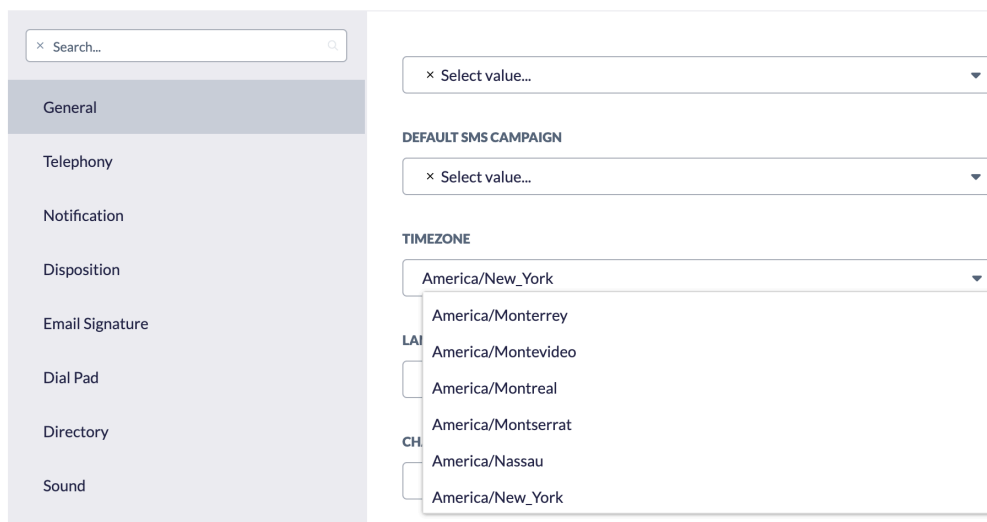
User Settings



Time Zone

1. In General, scroll down to **Time Zone**.

User Settings



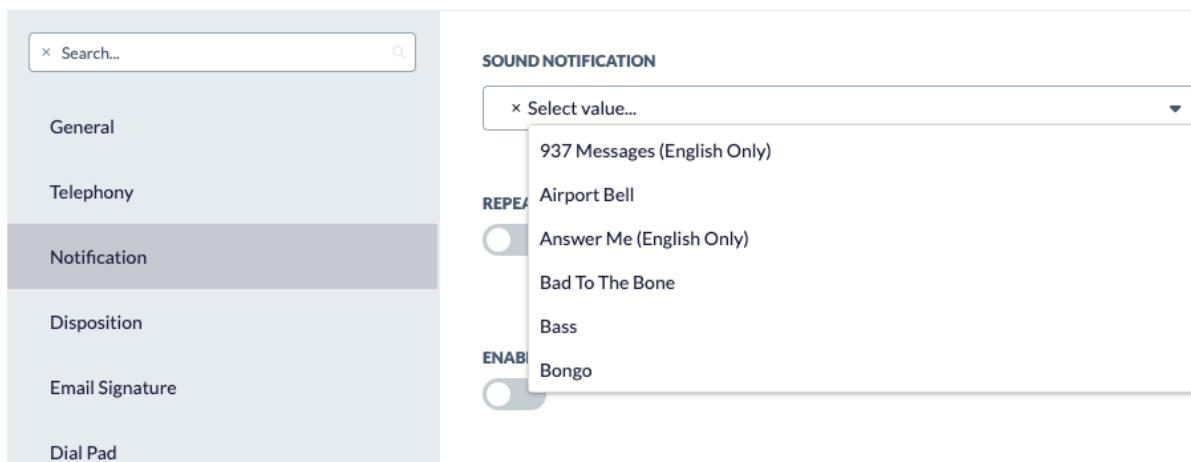
2. Using the dropdown menu, select the **preferred Time Zone**.



Notification Settings

Notifications can vary per voice workitem, digital workitem, or digital message.

1. On the left-side toolbar, select **Notification**.
2. Use the dropdown menu to select a specific sound for each item type.



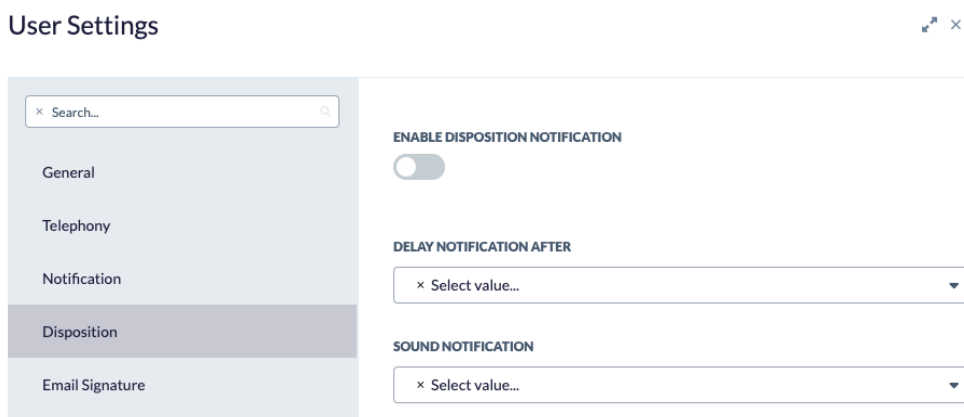
3. Toggle **Repeat Until Answered** to hear the notification until the item is answered.
4. Toggle **Enable Web Notification** to see a web notification.
Selecting the notification will redirect you to Nextiva.
 - a. For Windows, the notification appears in the bottom right corner of the screen.
 - b. For Mac, the notification appears in the top right corner of the screen.



Disposition Settings

A call disposition describes the outcome of a call. The disposition notification serves as a reminder to select a disposition on the workitem.

1. From the left-side User Settings toolbar, select **Disposition**.



The screenshot shows the 'User Settings' window. On the left is a sidebar with a search bar and five menu items: 'General', 'Telephony', 'Notification', 'Disposition' (which is highlighted with a dark blue background), and 'Email Signature'. The main area on the right contains three settings: 'ENABLE DISPOSITION NOTIFICATION' with a toggle switch currently turned off; 'DELAY NOTIFICATION AFTER' with a dropdown menu showing 'x Select value...'; and 'SOUND NOTIFICATION' with a dropdown menu also showing 'x Select value...'.

2. Toggle **Enable Disposition Notification** to turn on or off the notification.
3. From the dropdown menu, select the disposition notification sound.
4. From the dropdown menu, select the number of seconds to have the notification delayed after a workitem is completed.



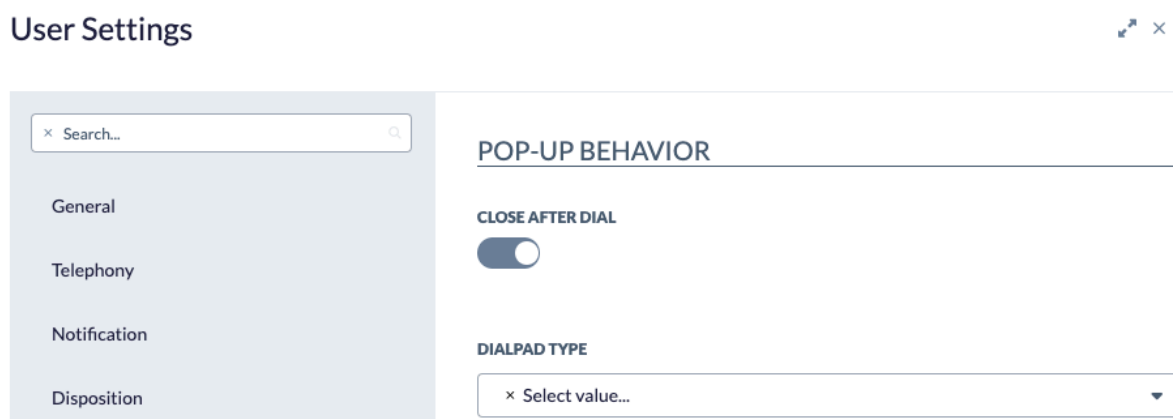
Dial Pad

This customizable dial pad offers both full and minimized views, allowing you to keep it readily available or tucked away as needed. It features an inline display with previously dialed numbers for quick access, enabling you to adjust the campaign and dial type on the fly.

XBert Tip: Campaign changes reset upon logout, and dial type selections must be made each time the dial pad is used. To access dial type options, ensure a number is entered before right-clicking the dial icon.

Dial Pad Settings

1. In User Settings, select **Dialpad**.



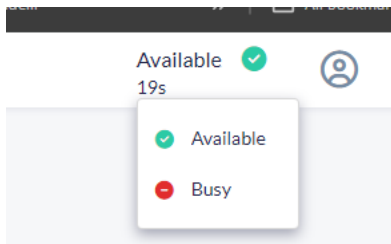
The screenshot shows the 'User Settings' window. On the left is a sidebar with a search bar and four menu items: 'General', 'Telephony', 'Notification', and 'Disposition'. The 'Telephony' section is active. The main content area is titled 'POP-UP BEHAVIOR' and contains two settings: 'CLOSE AFTER DIAL' with a toggle switch that is currently turned on, and 'DIALPAD TYPE' with a dropdown menu showing '× Select value...'. There are window control icons (maximize, close) in the top right corner of the settings window.

2. Toggle **Close After Dial** to change the pop-up behavior of the dial pad. This will make the dial pad disappear after the dial is completed.
3. **Dial Pad Type** allows you to select your preferred view:
 - a. **Full View:** The traditional dial pad, accessible from the header bar.
 - b. **Minimized:** A smaller, compact dial pad.
Note that the dial pad icon will be removed from the header but can still be accessed from the minimized dial pad.



User Status

Agents can change their user status by clicking on the status in the upper right hand corner. From the dropdown menu, you can select the status you wish to put yourself into. You will be put into that status immediately (meaning there is no save button to click.) User status will also automatically update when accepting or finishing a workitem.



Available



Meaning: Ready to receive workitems

Outcome: The ACD (automatic call distributor) will start routing workitems to you based on queue settings

Busy



Meaning: Temporarily Unavailable

Outcome: Your queue(s) will “skip over” you and send a waiting workitem to the next available agent instead.



Working



Meaning: Actively handling an interaction.

Outcome: Automatically activated when you accept a workitem.

Wrapup



Meaning: Time allotted for completing post-workitem tasks, like updating notes or selecting a new disposition.

Outcome: Automatically activated when you completed a workitem.

No Answer



Meaning: The workitem was not answered in the maximum allocated time and was redistributed to the next available agent.

Outcome: Automatically activated when a workitem is missed.



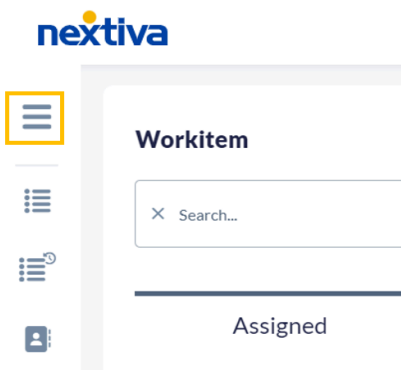


Workspace

Customizing Your Workspace

By taking the time to customize your workspace, you can create a personalized and efficient environment that supports your unique workflow and enables you to deliver the best possible customer experiences. Remember, the Options menu is your gateway to unlocking the full potential of Nextiva Contact Center.

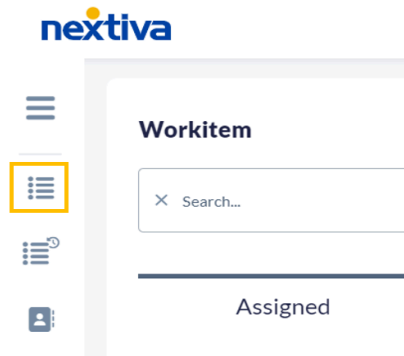
Select the **Options icon** from the left menu bar. This icon opens a world of possibilities to tailor your NCC experience.



Core Workspace Features

Workitems

This is your central hub for managing customer interactions. It displays incoming calls, emails, chats, and other tasks assigned to you.



History

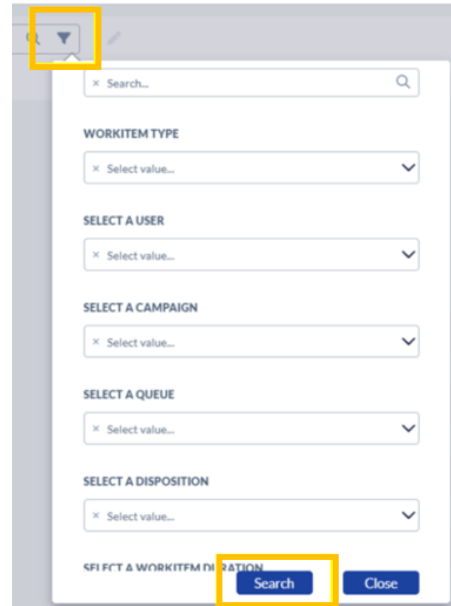
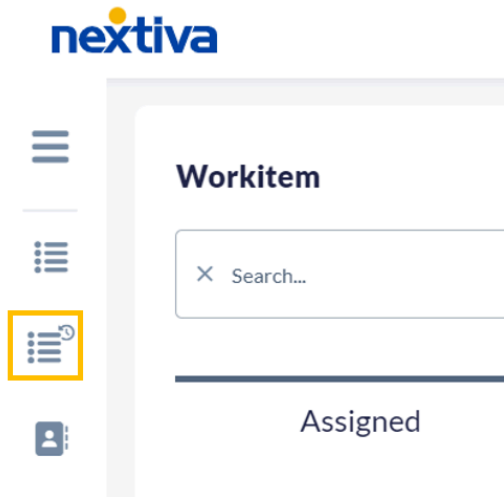
Access a comprehensive record of past interactions with customers. This can be invaluable for understanding their needs and preferences.

Filter History

Filter by date range, interaction type, and more to find specific conversations.

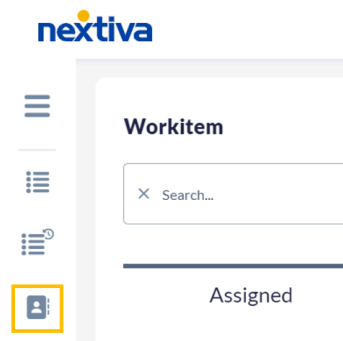
1. From the workitem, select the **filter** icon in the top-right corner.
2. Select the information you wish to filter by.
3. Select **Search**.





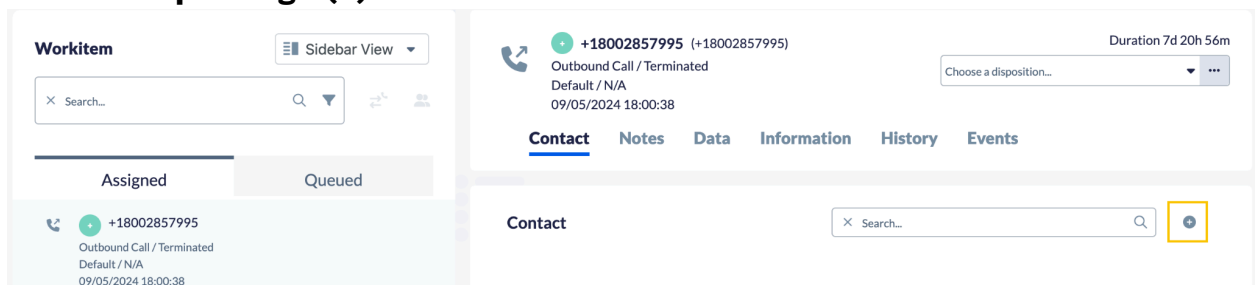
Contacts

View and manage your customer contact information, including names, phone numbers, email addresses, and any notes you've added.



Add a New Contact

1. Select the **plus sign (+)** icon next to the contact.



2. Enter contact information.



3. Select **OK** to save.

Add Contact 

NAME

FIRST NAME

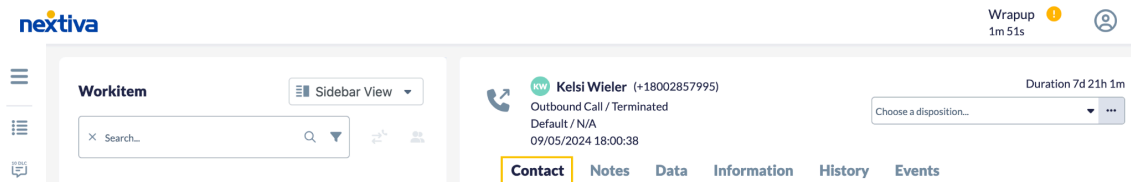
LAST NAME

ADDRESS

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Edit Existing Contact

1. After a call completes, select Contact.



2. Make the changes to the contact.
3. Select another cell; the update automatically saves.

Add Contact Notes

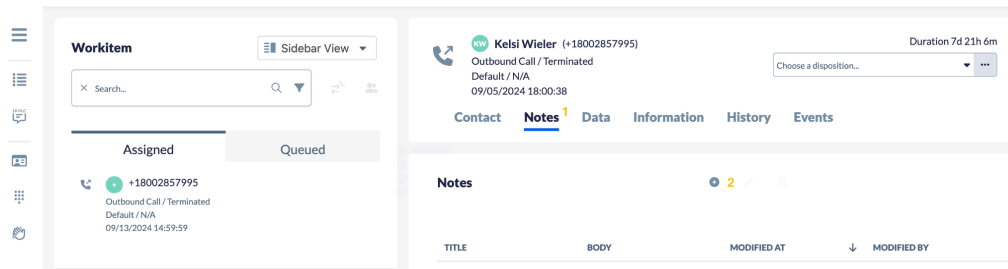
Leverage the power of Contact Notes to ensure your future phone calls are productive and personalized. Beyond simple reminders, these notes can store invaluable details like:

- Customer Preferences: How they like to be addressed, preferred communication channels, or specific business practices they follow.
- Hobbies, projects they mentioned, or what they're passionate about.
- Previous Interactions: Key points from past conversations, any action items to follow up on, or potential pain points they've expressed.



This wealth of information, readily accessible within your team, empowers you to build rapport, tailor your approach, and demonstrate genuine interest in your clients.

1. After a call completes, select **Notes**.



2. Select the **plus sign (+)**.
3. Add notes.
4. Select **OK** to save.

Add Notes ✖

TITLE

Customer Preferences

BODY

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Kelsi is an Elite + customer and is often interested in buying additional training hours. She loves our training!

She enjoys talking about her two kids and travel when she's on the phone with me waiting for the update.

Cancel OK

Other Contact Features



History: Filter the event history.

Events: See a related log of events related to outbound and inbound calls made by the contact.



Events

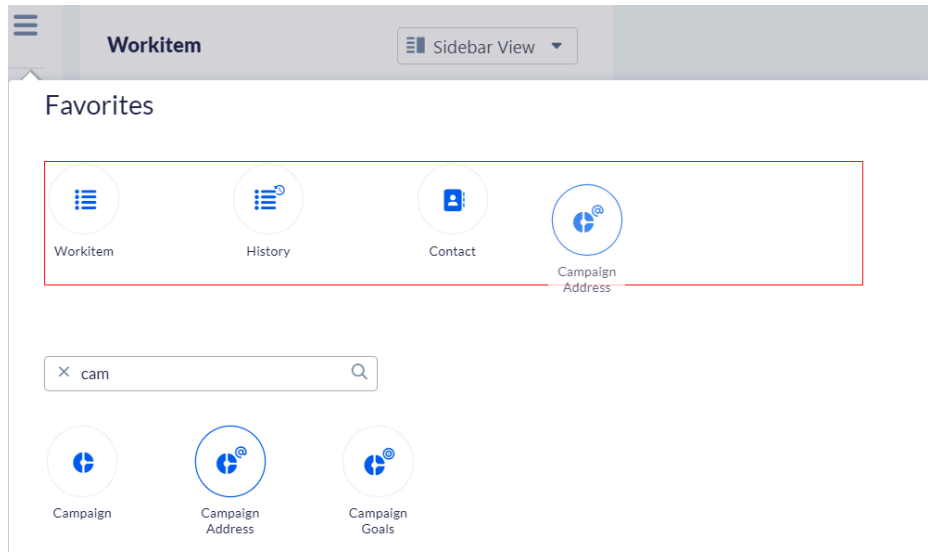
DATE	↑ USER	QUEUE	RESULT
09/05/2024 18:00:38	Kelsi Wieler	N/A	Outbound Call Started
09/05/2024 18:00:38	Kelsi Wieler	N/A	Assigned
09/05/2024 18:00:39	Kelsi Wieler	N/A	Ring Time
09/05/2024 18:00:39	Kelsi Wieler	N/A	Call Connected
09/05/2024 18:00:44	Kelsi Wieler	N/A	User Terminated By Hang Up



Personalize Your Favorites

Identify the features you use most frequently and make them more accessible.

1. Open **options** on left side toolbar.
2. Search the widget you would like to make a favorite.
3. Click drag and drop the widget into the red Favorites box.

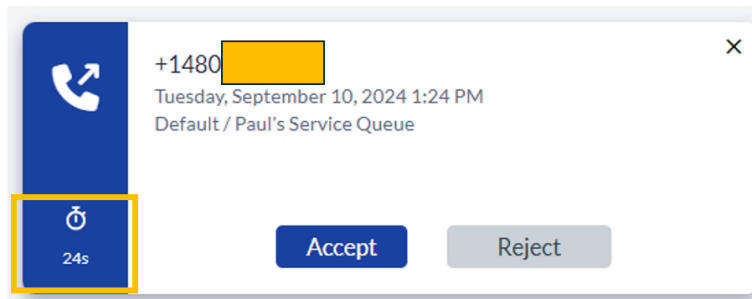


Managing Workitems

Monitor Incoming Workitems

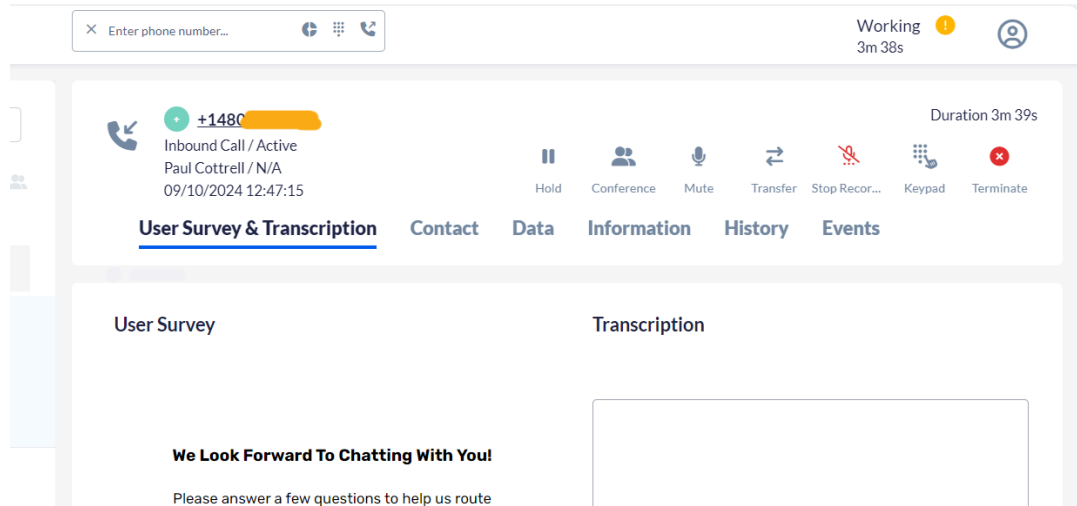
New interactions (calls, emails, chats) appear in the bottom right corner.

XBert Tip: Pay close attention to queued workitems with timers.



Open a Workitem

Select the workitem to view details in the Detailed View.

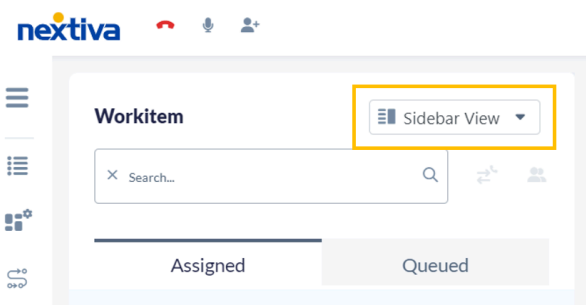


Switch Views (optional)

Switch between List View and Sidebar View, depending on your workitem preference.

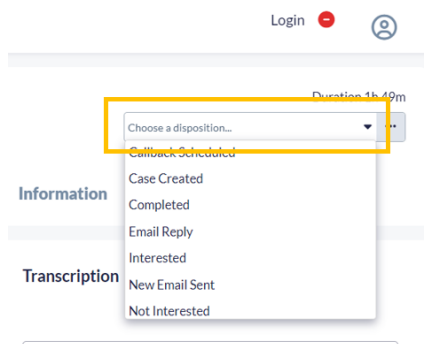


- a. Use **List View** to only view your current workitem
- b. Use **Sidebar View** to manage multiple workitems simultaneously.



Select Disposition

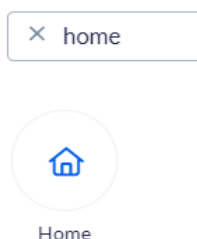
After completing a queued workitem, select the appropriate outcome category from the available options.



Monitor Your Performance

Monitor your performance through the performance widgets on the home page.

Access **Home** (house icon) in the favorites section. This opens your personalized dashboard.



XBert Tip: Initially, widgets stacked on top of one another. Click and drag them to spread them apart.

Performance Widgets

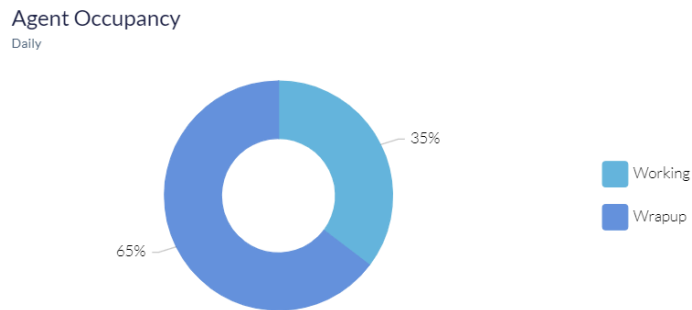
Agent Total

Compare your performance metrics (e.g., calls handled, average handle time) with the average and top-performing agents in your team. This gives you a quick snapshot of how you're doing relative to your peers.



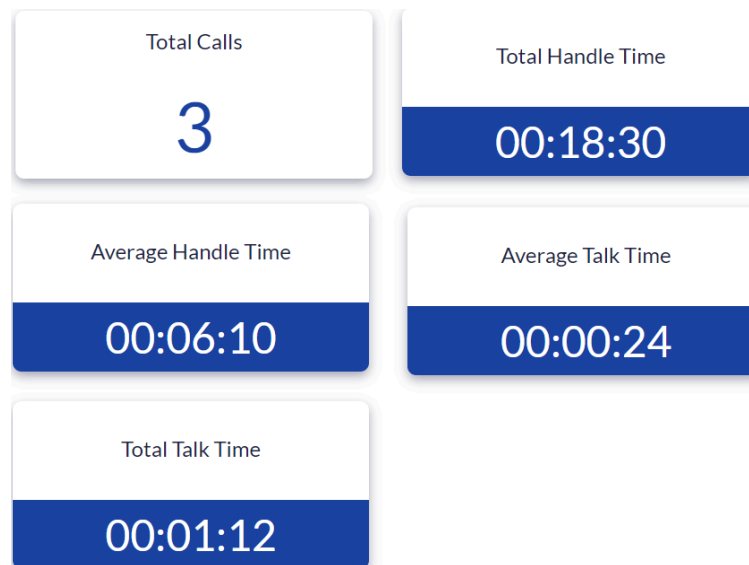
Agent Occupancy

Track your time spent in various statuses (Available, Working, Wrap-up, etc.). This can help you identify areas where you can optimize your workflow and improve your productivity.



Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

Monitor important metrics relevant to your role, such as talk time, wrap-up time, handle time, number of calls answered, and customer satisfaction ratings. These KPIs can help you understand your strengths and areas for improvement. For example:



Performance Dashboard

See real-time data on customers waiting, answered workitems, maximum queue time, and abandoned calls.

1. Ensure you've selected the 'Available' status within your system. This indicates that you're ready to take calls and will enable the dashboard icon.
2. Select the black arrow icon in the bottom left corner.



3. This will expand the Performance Dashboard, revealing real-time data about your queue's activity.

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Abandoned	Answered	AQT	CMQT	In Queue	MQT	SLA 1

Abandoned: # of customers who hung up before reaching an agent

Answered: # of workitems accepted today

AQT (Average Queue Time): Average length of time the customer waits in queue for a call to be answered.

CMQT (Current Max Queue Time): How long the current wait time is

MQT (Maximum Wait Time): The longest wait time for the day

SLA (Service Level Agreement): Threshold that the admin can set for the queue to determine if calls accepted in that queue were answered according to the policy of the company

In Queue: # of customers waiting to speak to an agent

4. Select the black arrow again to close the dashboard.

Additional Resources

[Agent Guide](#)

[Agent LMS](#)

All Things NCC Agent Webinar



[Nextiva Contact Center Support](#) hub

