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# From Insight to Action

How to attract, land, and keep today's top  
IT / Engineering Candidates



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# About Inavero

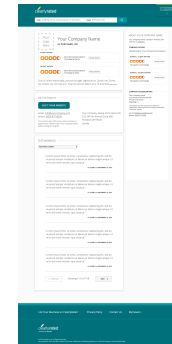
Simple, Actionable Client & Talent Surveys



Credible 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Award



Ratings & Reviews Driven Directory



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Measure the client and talent experience.  
Build online reputation.  
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# About Kforce



\$1.3 billion in annual revenue  
20+ years publicly traded



Consistently ranked in the top 10 for IT staffing firms and top 5 for Finance & Accounting staffing firms



More than 50 offices throughout the U.S. and two National Recruiting Centers



Staffing solutions in:  
Technology  
Finance &  
Accounting



Serves 70% of the Fortune 100



Retail  
Financial Services  
Communications  
Technology Services/Mfg  
Business Services  
Insurance  
Health Services



36,000+ consultants deployed and 3,300 permanent placements annually

9+ Million

Access to over 9 million candidates in our database





# State of Consultant Care

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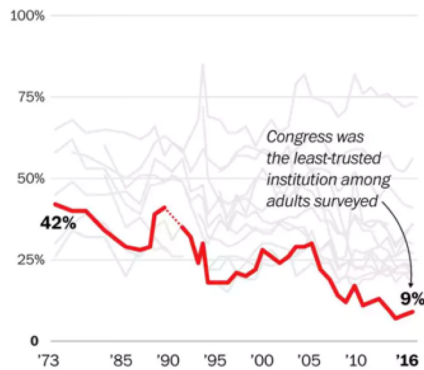
# TRUST

is the bridge between  
**consideration** and **selection**.

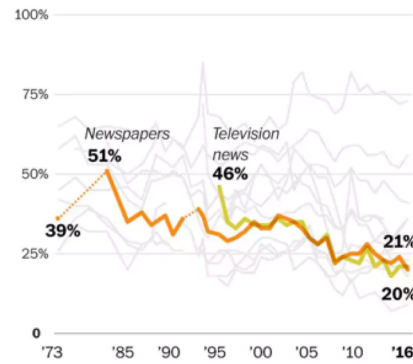


# Trust is at a historically low level

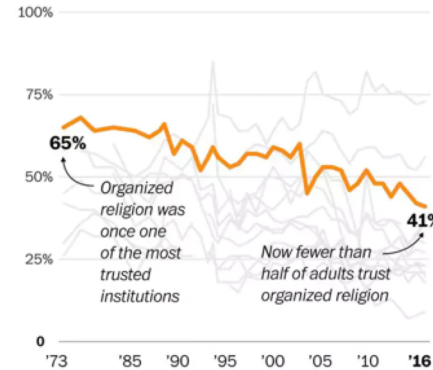
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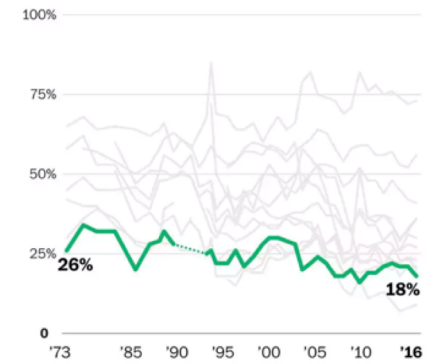
**Media**



**The church or organized religion**



**Big business**



SOURCE: Gallup Organization



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# Yet, trust in individuals has never been higher



*"I reactivated in spring 2011, filled out all the forms, etc. 9 months later, not one peep. I know, you're probably thinking 'Yeah but maybe you are a weak candidate.' Maybe, but I did well with them in the past, have lots of experience, willing to do any job, etc. etc."*



**Mark S.**  
**Portland, OR**  
👤 6 friends  
★ 8 reviews

1998



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Don't get into strangers' cars.  
Don't meet people from the internet.

Don't let someone you don't know into your house.

Don't trust the advice of strangers.

Literally summon strangers from the internet to get into their car.

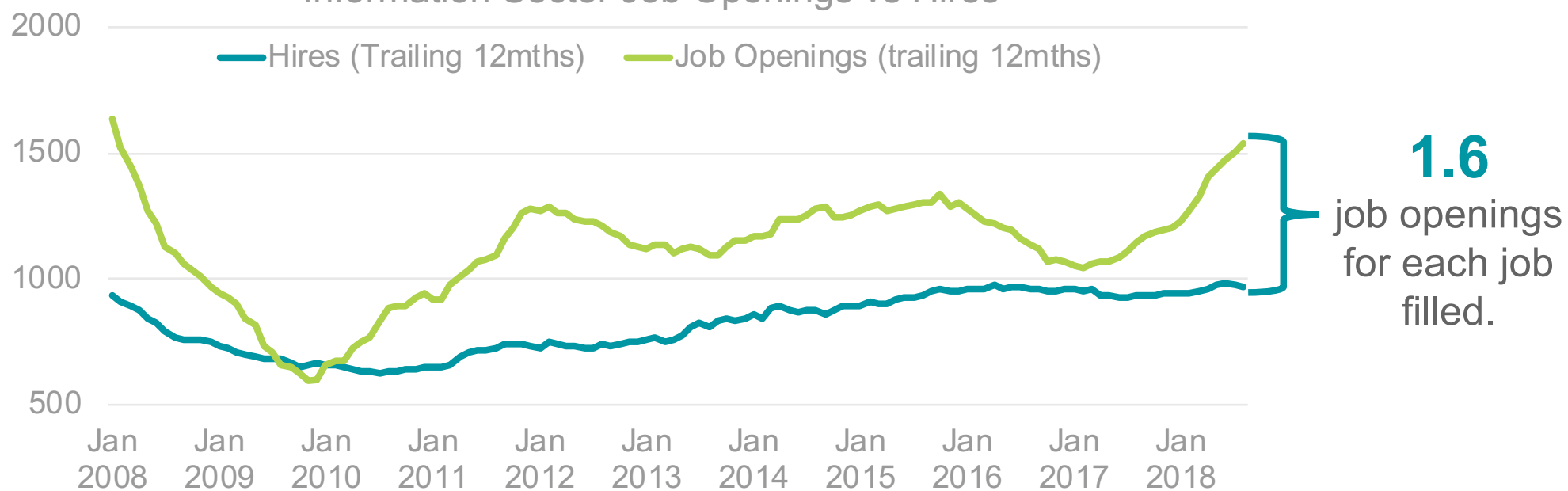
Invite someone you've never met to live in one of your rooms.

Only trust the advice of strangers.



# Lack of IT/Eng talent is acute in most markets

Information Sector Job Openings vs Hires





# Measuring the consultant experience

How likely are you to recommend our firm to a friend or colleague?



$$\text{Net Promoter Score} = \% \text{ Promoters} - \% \text{ Detractors}$$



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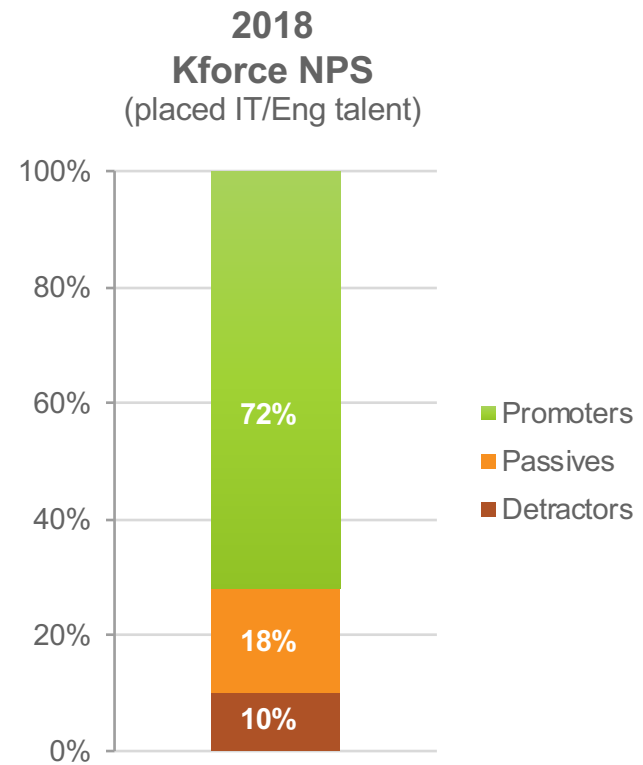
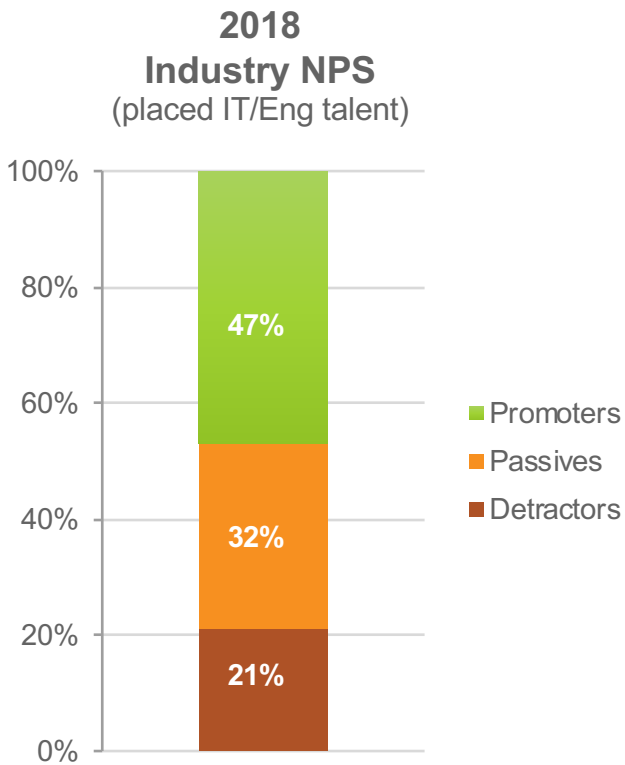


# The **cost** of detractors...

Compared to promoters, **detractors** are:

- Twice as likely to quit an assignment before completion.
- 4x less likely to refer you to other job seekers or hiring managers.
- Nearly 3x less likely to accept a future assignment from your firm.

# Consultant experience among IT/Eng talent is mixed



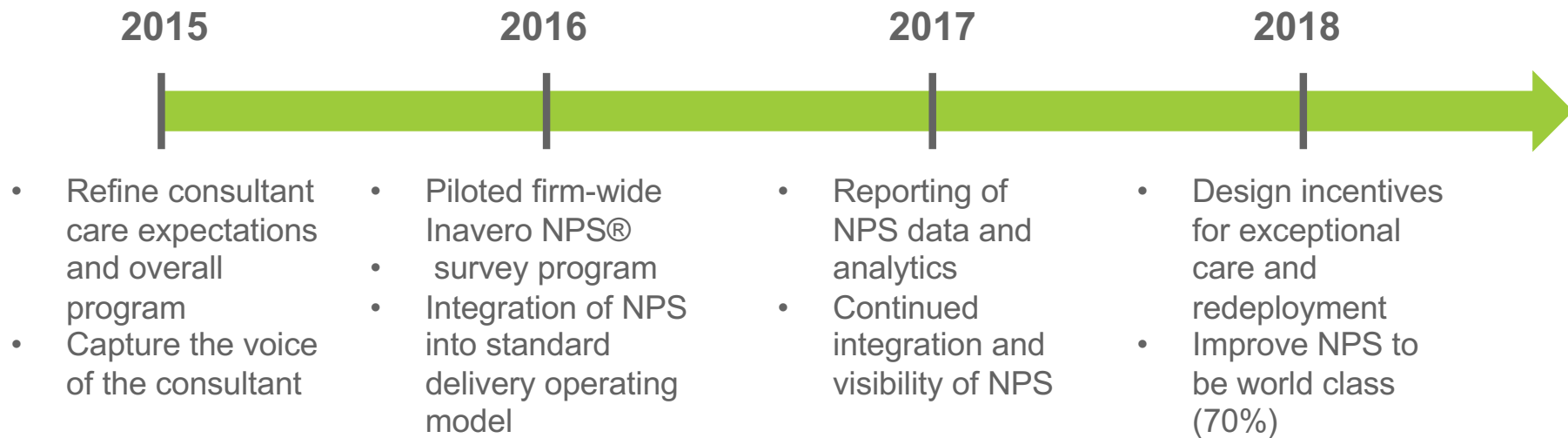


**The evolution of  
consultant care at Kforce...**

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# The evolution of Consultant Care at Kforce



## The Evolution of Consultant Care at Kforce

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What are some of the biggest lessons learned along the way?



- We are making a meaningful impact on our consultants' lives - and our people care!
- Consultant care can share the voice of the consultant and any opportunities with leaders.
- We have the ability to recognize those associates who are taking care of consultants.
- It gives us the ability to quickly respond to any issues or detractor responses.
- The consultant life-cycle experience is positive on the front end BUT we need to improve redeployment.
- Associates and leaders appreciate the consultant feedback.
- Consultants are surprised we ask for their feedback with a purpose in mind.
- The relationship with Kforce is the most important thing to a consultant!

## The Evolution of Consultant Care at Kforce

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What are the most  
common mistakes made  
in the field?

- **Lack of follow up to the consultants' concerns or issues.**
- **Not having end-of-assignment discussions regarding redeployment opportunities.**
- **Not fully understanding the consultants' career needs to ensure it is a match with the opportunity.**
- **Leadership isn't engaged enough with the consultant care program to inspire associates or drive it.**



A photograph of two women in a professional setting, possibly a meeting or collaborative work environment. The woman on the left is looking down thoughtfully, while the woman on the right is looking at a laptop screen. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent green filter.

**Where today's IT/engineering talent  
find job opportunities...**

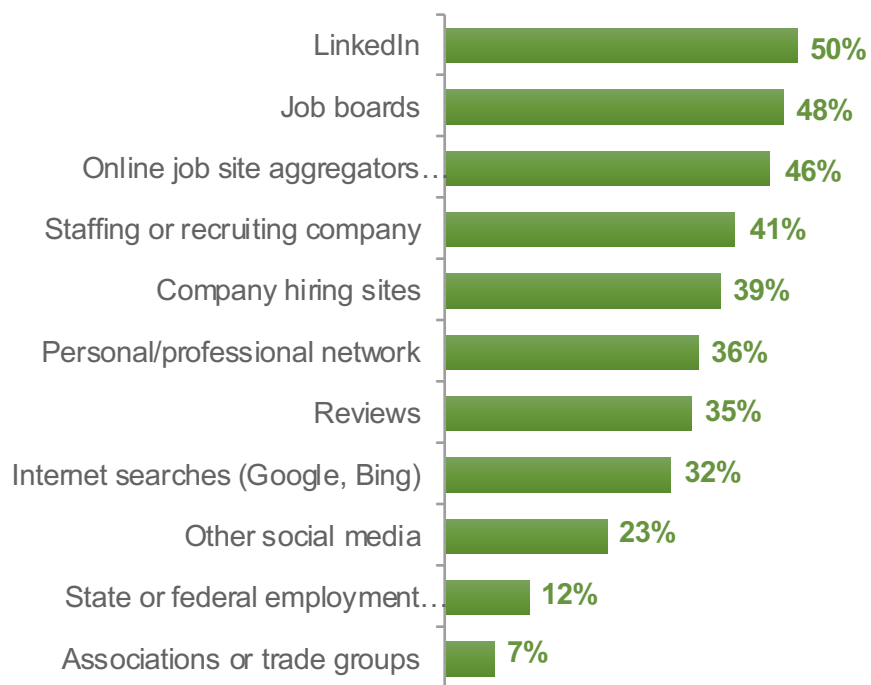
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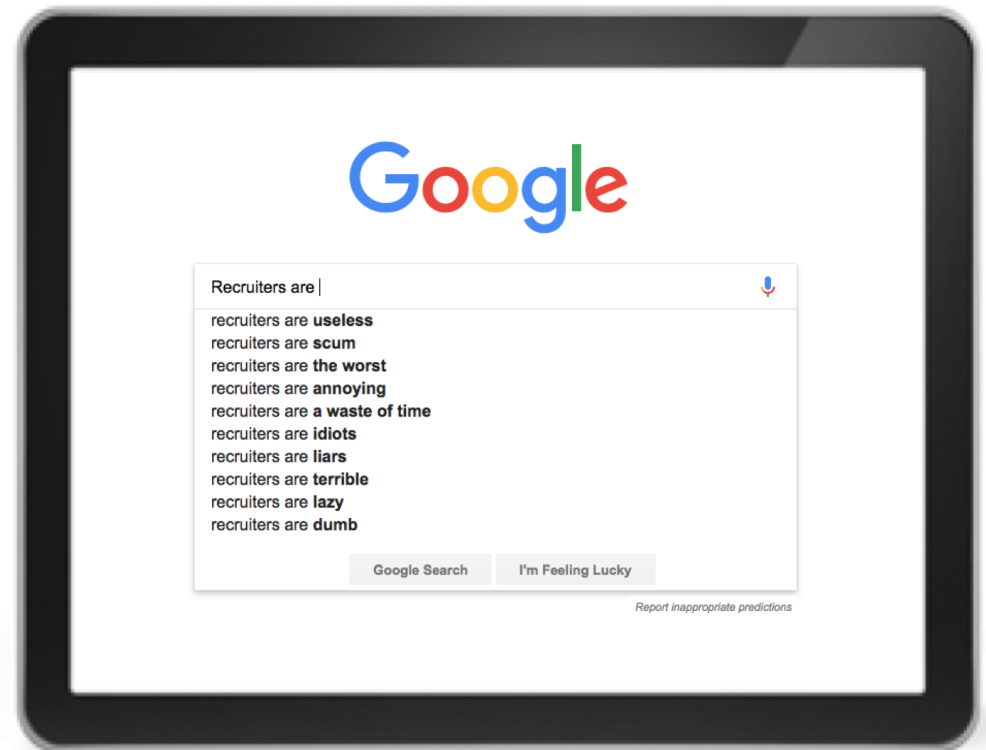
# Where today's IT/Eng talent find job opportunities

## Resources Used in Most Recent Job Search



**65%** of IT/Eng talent utilize 3 or more resources.

Top IT staffing firms have  
to overcome recruiter  
reputation to be effective.



# IT/ Eng candidate perceptions that staffing firms compete with:



## % of IT/Eng candidates who believe:



SOURCE: Inavero and ASA

# Perceived benefits of working with a staffing firm



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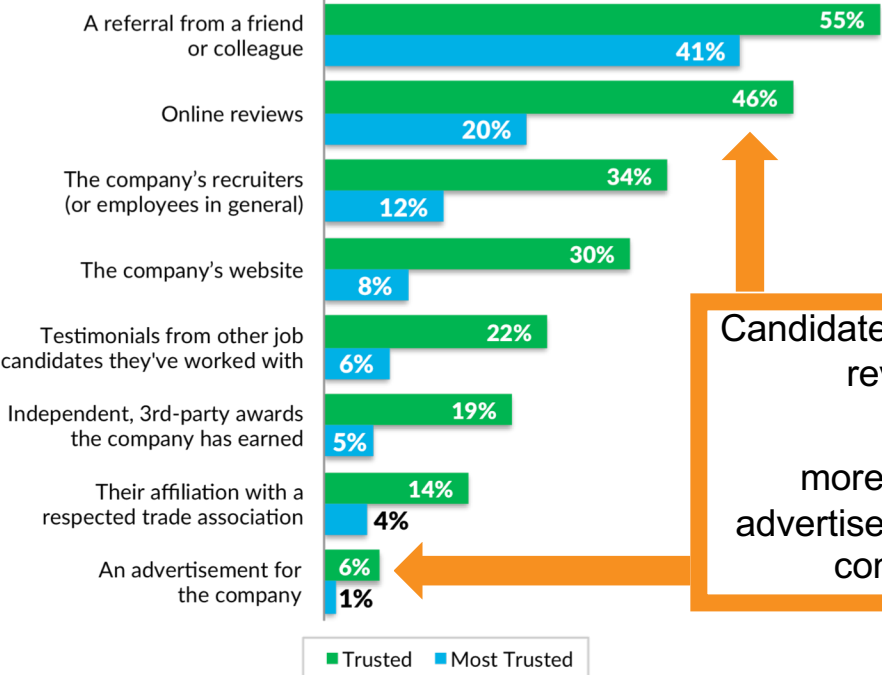
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# Reputation matters now more than ever



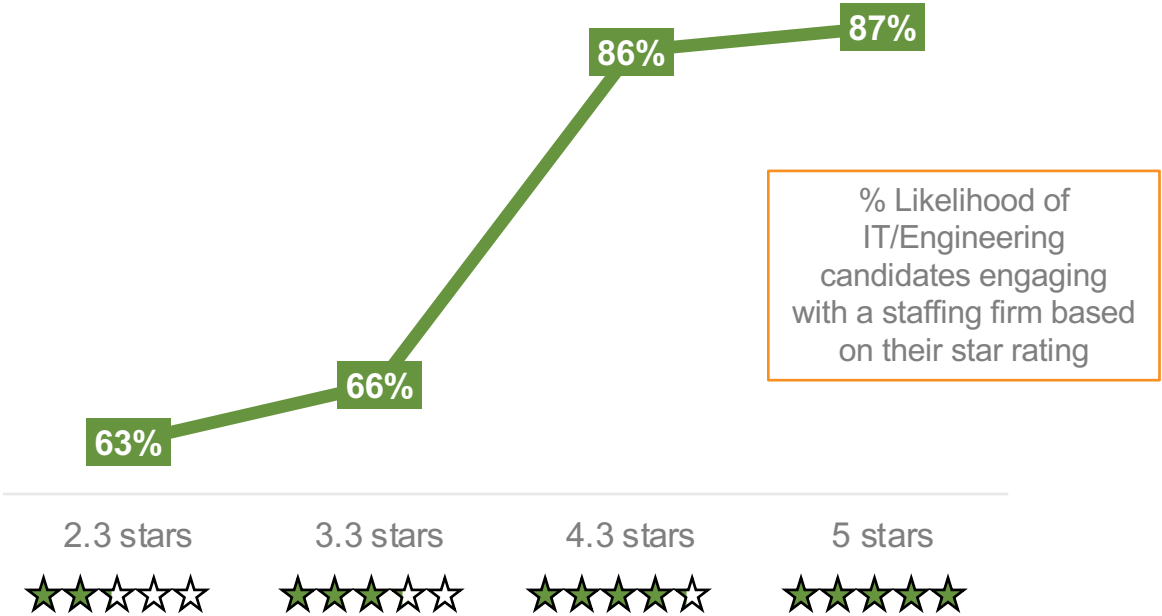
**Trusted Sources of Information For Evaluating Staffing Company Quality**



Candidates trust online reviews **8x** more than an advertisement for the company

SOURCE: Inavero and ASA

# Online reviews offer validation for candidates



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# The role that Consultant Care plays in attraction at Kforce...



# Win – Win – Win

## Staffing Firm

### Increased Revenue:

- Extensions
- Redeployment
- Faster delivery to market

### Decreased Cost:

- Unemployment tax
- Less time spent recruiting
- Reduced onboarding time

## Consultant

- Positive experience
- Career advocate
- Continuous employment
- Access to diverse career opportunities

## Client


- Reduced attrition which improves client results
- Proven expertise
- Satisfied consultants
- Faster ramp time




# Brand Reputation




**World-Class  
Consultant  
NPS**



**World-Class  
Client NPS**



**Highest  
Glassdoor  
Rating in our  
Peer Group**



**Most  
Recognized**



## It's also part of our client acquisition strategy

"Kforce is unlike any recruiting firm I've worked with. They care about you and want you to get the job. From pre-interview prep to your actual first day on the job, they are by your side."

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“ Professionalism, excellent communication and follow-through. Kforce is a refreshing company with superior support. ”

- Tech Consultant

"Every time I needed assistance, had an issue, needed to feel a family environment or simply needed to be heard, I was never overlooked. Through everything, Kforce has continually been there and I really appreciate that."

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**Consultant Care!**  
MAKE IT COUNT

**DAY ONE**  
Walk in with your consultant on their first day

**WEEK ONE CHECK IN**  
How was your week?

**WEEK TWO CHECK IN**  
Any questions?

**CHECK IN AT LEAST EVERY 30 DAYS**  
How's it going?

**SURVEY REMINDER**  
Encourage survey process participation

**SHOW APPRECIATION**  
Recognition, birthday or milestone call

**VISIT THEM AT WORK**  
Good to see you!

**REDEPLOY**  
2 WEEKS | FA / ONS  
6 WEEKS | TECH  
Before assignment end - remarketing/ extension call

**KEEP KFORCE THEIR EMPLOYER OF CHOICE**



# How to retain IT/Eng Talent...

## NPS Drivers (pre-placement)



 = % increase in NPS

**They worked to get to know me as a person**



**They helped me prepare for the interview**



**They set expectations about how best to communicate with them throughout the process.**



**They acknowledged they received my materials (application, resume, etc.)**



SOURCE: Inavero and ASA

## NPS Drivers (on-assignment)



 = % increase in NPS

I was given feedback and coaching throughout the assignment.



Any issues were resolved in a timely manner.



Someone contacted me prior to the end of my assignment about the upcoming transition.



I was treated well by the organization with which I was placed to work.



Any emails or phone calls were returned within 24 hours.



The position was accurately described to me prior to starting.



SOURCE: Inavero and ASA

## Rehire: the lost opportunity in IT staffing





# Consultant Care at Kforce

How it actually works





## How the field leverages the feedback

*Opportunity to intensify communication throughout the assignment*

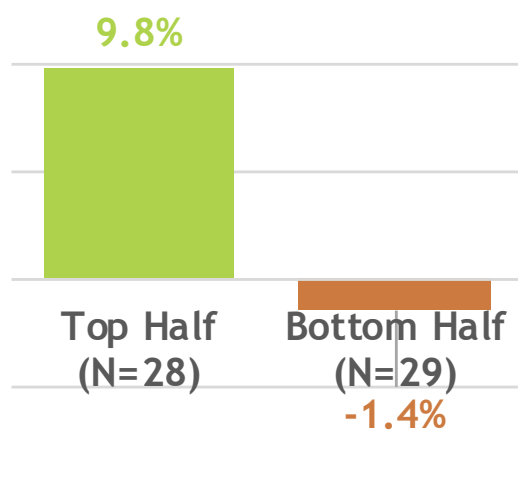
*Since inception of the survey program, results show that we do well on the front end but consultant satisfaction declines throughout the assignment.*

# How Kforce celebrates service success



# The business case for consultant care

YoY Growth in Revenue



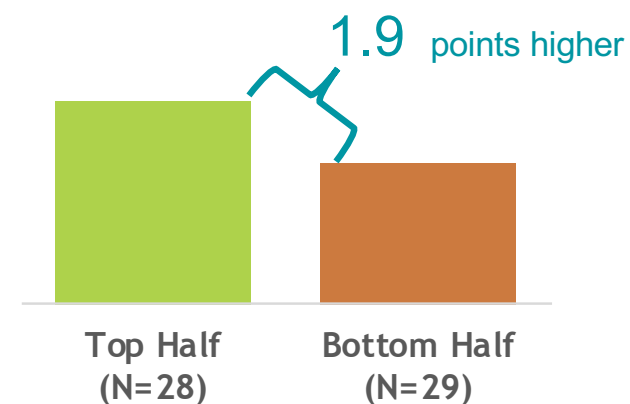
IMPACT ON REVENUE



IMPACT ON GROSS MARGIN

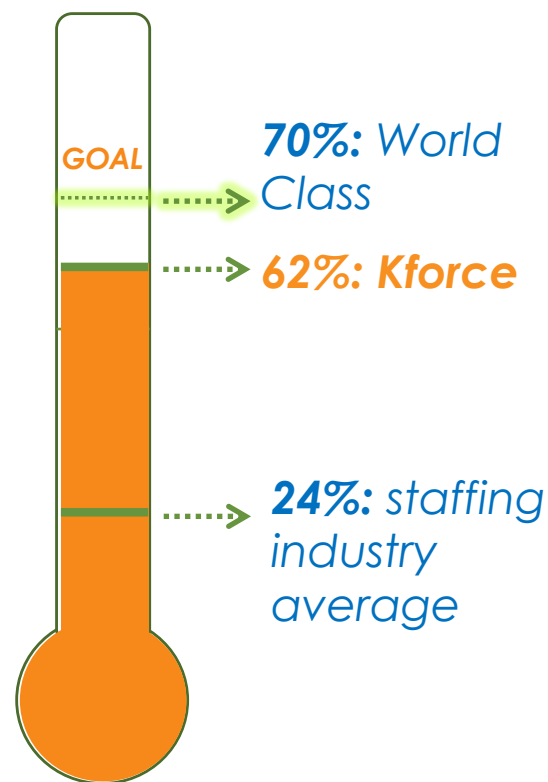


Average Gross Margin



# What's next at Kforce

- World Class Net Promoter Score®
- Enhance the redeployment and end-of-assignment experience
- Continue to leverage the consultant voice to evolve our program
- Strengthen loyalty and tenure of consultants
- Increase the visibility of NPS rankings
- Establish leadership engagement and a culture of consultant care at the field level
- Hold associates accountable to the consultant experience





# Consultant Care Best Practices

## 5 Hard-Earned Lessons



1

Leadership has to care.  
REALLY care.

2

Recognize the field's  
hard work.



Sell leadership on the business case.



4

Don't try to solve everything at corporate.

5

Be nimble – your program can and should evolve.

# Questions?

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# Final Thought...

## Consultant care is messy.

