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## Ten Tips on Prioritizing Your Work in the **Credit and Collection Department!**

- 1. Stop writing to-do lists in favor of must-do lists
- 2. If you must create priority task lists, use A, B and C priorities. Complete A priority tasks before working on B priorities. Ignore C priorities until they become B or A priorities
- 3. Make development of department personnel a priority. Managers are paid to make things get done, not to do the work themselves
- 4. Prioritize collection calls in descending dollar value of delinquent balances
- 5. Prioritize your time by avoiding time wasters such as excessively long or excessively numerous meetings
- 6. Make sure you understand what your manager considers to be your top priorities and complete them --- on time every time
- 7. Make sure that finding and fixing root causes of problems is a priority, otherwise you are doomed to fix the same types of problems over and over again
- 8. Make it a priority to strike the right balance between work and life, otherwise you risk burnout on the job
- 9. Make your professional development a personal priority
- 10. Make monitoring customer credit risk a priority. Doing so will help reduce delinquencies as well as bad debt write offs

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