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Evolving Pharma Marketing Leadership



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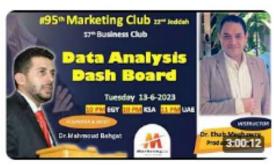
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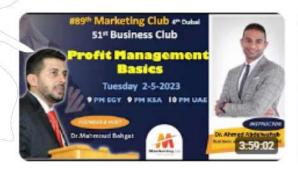
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Evolving Pharma Marketing leadership: Leading Beyond the Brand

From Storytellers to Strategists



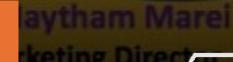


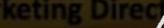






Please back to this session as its introduction for basic competencies every marketer and marketing manager needs to have







INSTRUCTOR











Today's Pharma Leaders Must Inspire Engagement Across Patients, HCPs, and Systems — Delivering Holistic Solutions Beyond the Product.





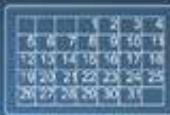








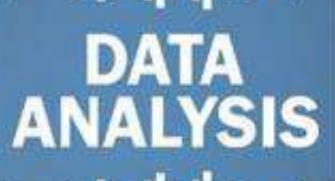






























































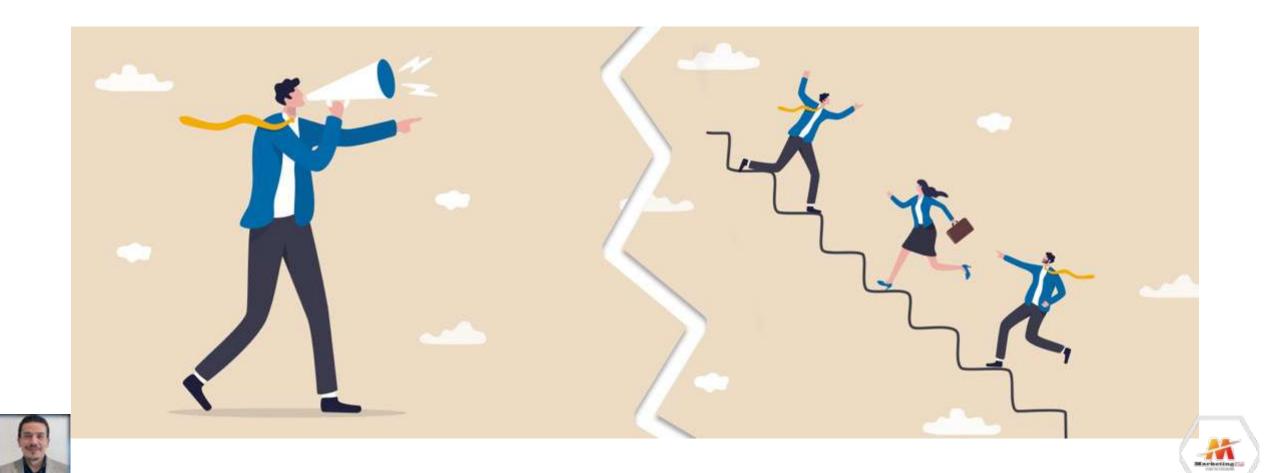




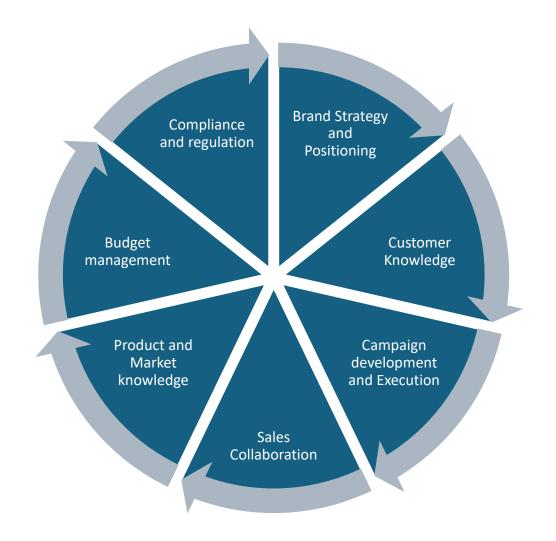




Traditional Leadership Models in Pharma



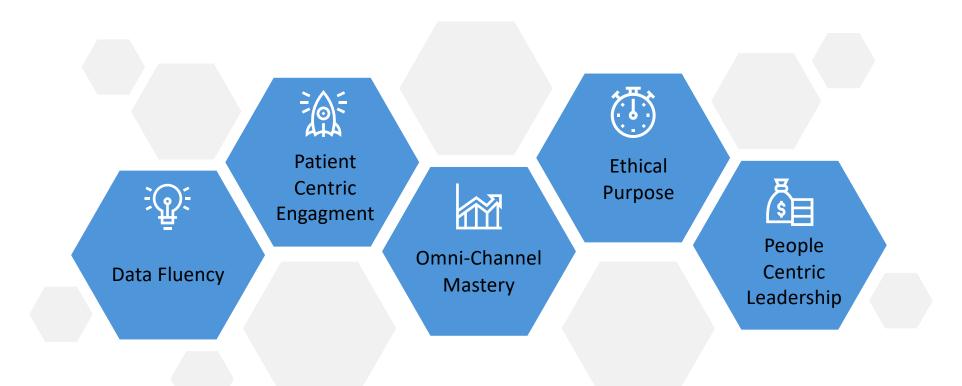
Current (Classical) Competencies for Marketing Managers in Pharma







The Five Pillars of Pharma Marketing Leadership

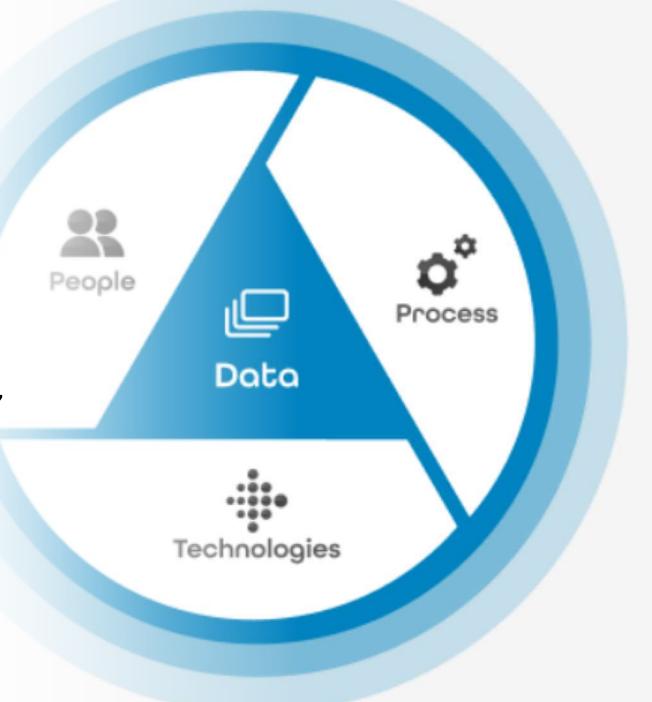






Data Fluency

• Data fluency, is the ability to use data at a more advanced level. It's not only about understanding data, but also about leveraging it to communicate with stakeholders, address problems, and make decisions effectively.



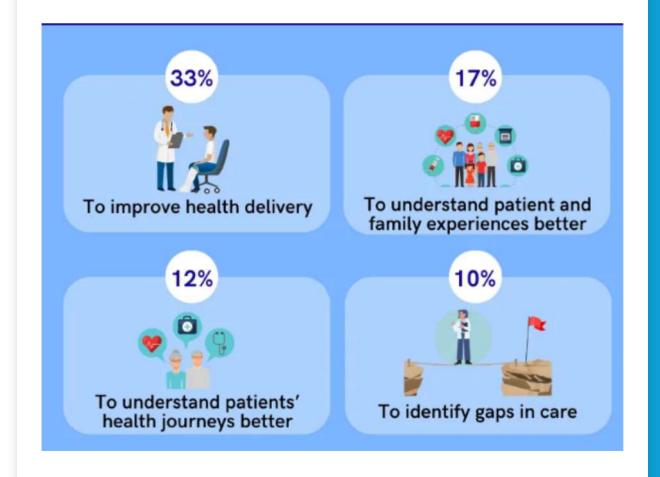






Patient-Centric Engagement

- Marketing with empathy
- Understanding the full patient journey
- Creating value beyond the pill









Omnichannel Mastery

Success is no longer just about reach—it's about engagement, value, and timing.





Ethical & Purpose-Driven Leadership







People-Centric Adaptive Leadership

- Coaching vs. commanding
- Building diverse, agile teams
- Thriving in ambiguity and complexity















How Competencies Will Evolve in the Next Wave of Pharma Marketing Trends

Classical Competency	Evolving To	Example	
Customer (HCP) Knowledge	Full Ecosystem Thinking	Understand HCPs + Patients + Payers + Policymakers journey.	
Campaign Development	Omnichannel Orchestration	Tailoring experience across reps, digital, social, and Alpowered channels.	
Product Knowledge	Solutions Mindset	Moving beyond "drug-only" to service, tech, support offerings.	
Sales Collaboration	Commercial Integration	Seamless strategy blending marketing, medical, access, and digital sales models.	
Budget Management	Agile Investment Fast budget reallocations based on real-time Allocation performance (like digital A/B testing).		
Compliance Awareness	Ethical Leadership & Transparency	Greater focus on sustainability, patient advocacy, and trust.	
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Strong Field Force Reliance (Sales- Driven Culture)	Historically, commercial success = field force success. Heavy reliance on reps limits omnichannel transformation.	Doctors still prefer personal visits over digital touchpoints in many MENA countries.
Limited Data Infrastructure	Compared to the U.S., real-world data (RWD), EMRs, and patient databases are less mature and fragmented.	Harder to personalize journeys or launch data-driven campaigns.
Regulatory Complexity and Variability	Each country (Gulf vs. Egypt vs. Levant) has different pharma laws, approvals, digital restrictions.	Slow and inconsistent rollouts for new digital tactics.
Lower Patient Empowerment (But Growing)	In the West, patients drive healthcare decisions. In MENA, doctors still dominate decision-making.	Patient-centric marketing must be adapted carefully and locally.
Internal Resistance to Change	Local organizations or affiliates may hesitate to invest in digital, patient experience, or non-traditional marketing.	Leaders need to <i>influence upwards</i> and <i>show early wins</i> to change mindsets.
Talent Gap in Digital and Data	While classical marketers are strong, the ecosystem lacks enough trained people in data analytics, omnichannel, CX (customer experience).	Companies have to invest heavily in upskilling.
Fragmented Healthcare Systems	Unlike centralized systems (like NHS UK), healthcare providers and payers are scattered across sectors (private/public/insurance).	Harder to design unified campaigns.
Different Cultural Norms and Trust Levels	Western-style "direct to patient" or highly personal messaging may not land well in all MENA countries	Sensitivity to tone, trust, and relationships is key.

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Why It Matters

Example

Challenge



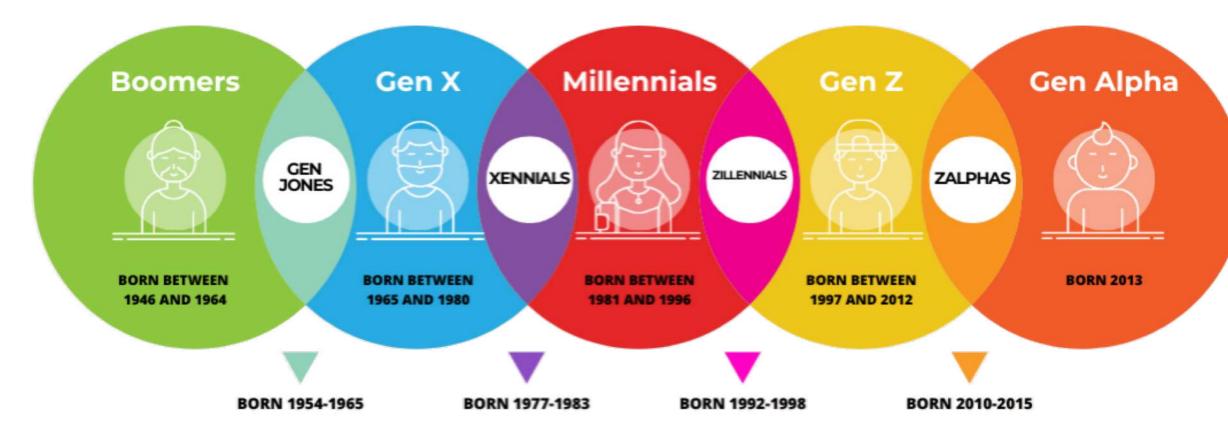








On the Cusp Understanding Those Caught Between Two Generations.







to make up 20% of the working population by 2020. This generation has a deep understanding of technology and its potential to transform how we work and live



53% prefer going to an office versus working from home

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% aspire to work wth

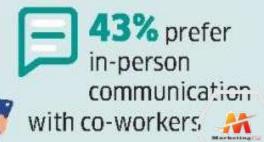




77% are willing to be technology mentors to others

VALUE HUMAN CONNECTION

82% say social media can be a valuable tool





Are New Generations a Challenge for Pharma Leadership?

Reason	What It Means in Pharma Organizations
Different Expectations	New employees expect meaningful work, flexibility, rapid career growth, and value alignment. Pharma traditionally is hierarchical, slow-moving, and highly regulated.
Digital Natives	They think digital-first. They expect instant collaboration tools, agile work, and fast decision-making. Pharma's heavy compliance slows things down.
Less Tolerance for Bureaucracy	They don't have patience for endless approvals, rigid SOPs, or "that's how we've always done it" mindsets.
Purpose and Impact Driven	They want companies that improve health beyond just selling products. CSR, sustainability, access-to-medicine — these matter deeply to them.
Need for Continuous Learning	They expect ongoing training, new challenges, skill evolution — not "learn once and stay static" careers.
Preference for Leaders Who Coach, Not Command	They respond to leaders who guide, listen, and inspire — not leaders who control or micromanage.









What Practical Shifts Are Needed by Pharma Leaders?

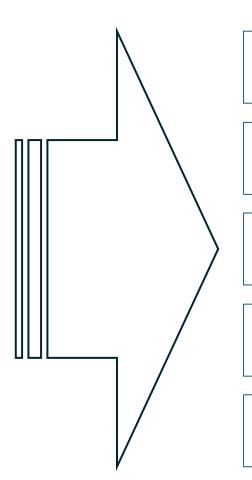
Top Down Authority

Fixed Career path

Knowledge hoarding

Just follow Up SOPs

Salary Driven Retention



Collaborative Decision Making

Agile Growth Opportunities

Knowledge Sharing

Innovate within Guardrails

Purpose + Flexibility driven Retention



































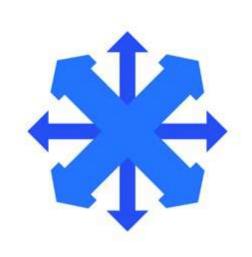












Educate Internally

Pilot Smartly

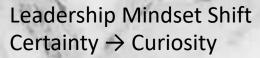
Scale Wisely





Certainty is the enemy of curiosity.

















"The Future Belongs to Adaptive, Empathetic, Courageous Leaders."

Lead the change — or be changed by it









