

ASPIRE EDITORIAL CALENDAR



Every issue of *Aspire* covers sales strategies for five key product categories – life insurance, long-term care, disability insurance, annuities, and senior market products. Issue themes and topics to address special awareness dates are highlighted within the editorial calendar.

October/November 2023

Planning ahead

- **Life Insurance:** Revisiting whole life and term life.
- **Compliance:** The latest issues including tax code 7702B.
- **LTC:** Building LTC into retirement planning.
- **Annuities:** Creative uses for indexed annuities.
- **Estate Planning:** Blended families and charitable giving — considerations.
- **Marketing:** Using trends and awareness dates to build community connections and visibility.

December 2023: Special Edition

Raising the bar: Celebrating sales strategies shaping the success of 2023

- **Business Development:** Compilation of successful strategy case studies.
- **Market Analytics:** Q3 numbers and trends.
- **Tax and Estate Planning:** Pre-tax season considerations.

January/February 2024

How to make it the best year yet

- **Life Insurance:** Divorce's impact on coverage; and how to market to this subset.
- **Income Protection:** In a changing job market, how income protection compliments traditional life insurance coverage.
- **Social Security:** How cuts may impact retirement planning and medicare supplements.
- **Health and Wellness Initiatives:** How integration wellness programs and wearables are impacting life insurance policies and pricing.
- **Servicing:** Taxes and data privacy as a client touchpoint.
- **Marketing:** Attracting Millennials and Gen Z clients.

March/April 2024

Rewriting the script: Making insurance understandable

- **Decoding Business Speak:** Removing the B.S. from client and professional jargon.
- **Shareables:** Consumer-friendly content about various business categories.
- **Marketing:** How to sponsor "America Saves Week" in your communities for free to increase visibility.
- **Distribution:** LIBRA Spring Meeting.

May/June 2024

Detecting opportunities – Big wins with small business, niche markets, and smart technology

- **Sales Strategies:** Selling keyman policies, LTC, DI, and Life insurance: Role reversal implications on coverage with 1 in 5 dads staying home.
- **Life Insurance:** Sales and product trends in the niche markets.
- **Blockchain and Smart Contracts:** How blockchain and smart contracts are streamlining life insurance and cybersecurity.
- **LTC, DI, and Life insurance:** Role reversal implications on coverage with 1 in 5 dads stay home.
- **AEP:** A review of compliance rules, technology, and prospecting ideas.
- **Servicing:** Staying connected in preparation for Summer Break.

July/August 2024

Turning up the heat

- **Life Insurance:** Incorporating life insurance into financial planning.
- **Climate Change and Risk Assessment:** How climate change affects the life insurance sector.
- **Sustainable and ESG Investing:** How changing social and environment priorities are changing the insurance and investment landscape.
- **AEP:** Keeping sales momentum during crunch time.
- **Teaming Up: Team playing in a non-team world:** How to work with other professionals for the client's best interest.

September/October 2024

It takes a plan

- **Life Insurance Awareness:** It's an everyday event for advisors, but latest research shares how consumers are looking at it these days.
- **AEP:** Last minute sales ideas and ways to maximize efforts with the launch of AEP.
- **Cyber Awareness:** Continued coverage of ways to not only keep business safe, but clients from cyber attacks.
- **Financial Planning:** Retirement and medicare supplemental coverage are on the calendar for October; providing reasons to talk with clients about protecting families and retirement.
- **Estate Planning:** Talking through deferred annuities and incorporating life insurance into plans.
- **Bonus Distribution:** LIBRA Fall Meeting.

November/December 2024

Raising the Bar: Celebrating sales strategies shaping the success of 2024

- **Business Development:** Compilation of successful strategies and processes used in the field.
- **Market Analytics:** Third quarter revenue numbers and trends.
- **Tax and Estate Planning:** Things to consider prior to tax season.
- **Politics:** What will the elections mean to insurance and annuities?

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