## Vervoe Interview Guide

## **Business Development Manager**

This interview guide is intended to be used in conjunction with the Vervoe skills assessment. Where a candidate has scored Low - Medium on a skill, focus on asking more questions from that skill to gain deeper insight into their level of competency.

Assessment Score	HIGH MEDIUM LOW
Assessment Skills	Business Development Manager, Sales, Relationship Management, Resilience

Competency/Skill	Candidate with this will display	
Business Development Manager	<ul> <li>Go-getter who is not afraid of conducting cold sales calls</li> <li>Enjoys the sales process and see challenges as opportunities</li> <li>Strong business acumen and strategic</li> </ul>	
Questions		
	Describe your approach to building a sales pipeline from scratch.	
	What is the best part of being a Business Development Manager?	
	If you were training a new sales consultant, what would be your one piece of advice?	
Comments		

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Sales	<ul> <li>Demonstrates resilience that enables them to keep persevering after setbacks</li> <li>Strong negotiation skills</li> <li>Pitches the product/service to prospects pain points to solve problems</li> <li>Strategic in sales pipeline and contacting prospects</li> </ul>
Questions	
	Describe the hardest sale you have ever won. What did you do to win this?
	What motivates you in a sales environment?
	Describe your experience and performance with sales KPIs.
Comments	



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Relationship Management	<ul> <li>Focuses on developing strong relationships with prospects and clients</li> <li>Offers added value to prospects in the way of thought leadership or market insight</li> <li>Takes time to understand customers' problems and how their product/solution helps.</li> </ul>
Questions	
	Describe your approach to developing relationships with prospects who aren't current buyers.
	How do you maintain relationships with customers once the sales process is over?
	Describe your most memorable client / customer. Why were they memorable?
Comments	

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Resilience	<ul> <li>Maintains positivity and momentum when repeatedly rejected</li> <li>Doesn't take rejection personally</li> <li>Continues to work hard when knocked down</li> </ul>
Questions	
	What motivates you to continue in sales when you receive rejection from prospects?
	What mechanisms do you have in place to maintain positivity if you're repeatedly facing rejection?
	Describe a time where you have lost a sale. How did you bounce back?
Comments	