



# Anaplan for workforce capacity planning in healthcare contact centers

Optimize your workforce capacity planning to reduce costs and deliver superior care

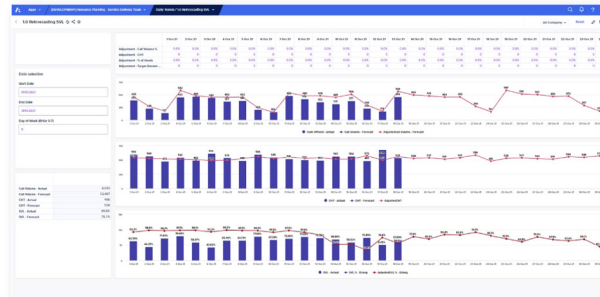


Are your contact centers overwhelmed by rising channel complexity, staff burnout, and growing pressure to reduce costs? Are you feeling the pressure to accelerate your deployment of AI? You're not alone. Manual planning, spreadsheet-based processes, and disconnected systems only make things worse for contact center and operations leaders. This leads to higher costs and inconsistent patient support.

To deliver superior care while keeping costs in check, you need a planning solution that seamlessly integrates with your existing tools and technologies. This will help you improve capacity planning and forecast accuracy, optimize staffing, and enable real-time collaboration across your organization.

## There is a better way to plan

With Anaplan, you can take the guesswork out of capacity and demand planning and align your contact center agents with incoming call volume to deliver first-class patient support in the most cost-effective manner. Optimize your staffing to handle demand fluctuations and ensure consistent, high-quality care across your operations. Ditch the manual spreadsheets and boost collaboration across your organization (e.g., finance, HR, operations, business units, sales, etc.).



## Key benefits

- Reduce queues and wait times and improve staffing allocation by generating contact center forecasts across all channels (e.g., call, text, chat, email, etc.) and time horizons (e.g., intra-day, short-term, and long-term).
- Reduce costs and effectively balance agent capacity and skill levels by analyzing trends against transactional volumes over time.
- Better understand the impact of certain events on incoming volumes so you can minimize your over- and understaffing.
- Improve SLA and CSAT/net promoter score (NPS) through skills and capacity rightsizing. Model which cases and activities should be handled by which agents or teams to maximize efficiency and meet or exceed the 80/20 rule.

## CUSTOMER STORY



**Fortune 25 Health Services Company**

This Fortune 25 health services company transformed their contact center planning with Anaplan, moving from 800+ fragmented Excel spreadsheets to a unified solution for their 35,000 agents. By consolidating disparate capacity plans onto one platform, the company can create aggregated views for its business partners, allowing the company to transition from data-centric to story-centric workforce planning. This allowed for a significant shift that empowered the company's planners to reposition themselves as consultants, advisors, and change agents.

### Challenges:

- Capacity plans were disconnected from each other
- 800+ Excel-based planning files were complex, data heavy, and difficult to understand
- Changing team behaviors from "data providers" to strategic planning advisors

### Results:

- **Saved \$21 million** in annual labor costs
- **Achieved 20% decrease** in time to market
- **Attained 10-20% improvement** in case resolution time
- **Covered implementation costs** by canceling 51 open requisitions in one month

"With Anaplan in place, our planners are now helping our internal customers with recommendations, advice, and consultation."

– **Vice President, Workforce Planning & Management**

## Key features

### Labor demand, supply, and gap analysis

- Assess demand against external factors (e.g., weather or traffic) statistically to predict required staffing levels.
- Calculate labor capacity by integrating data from your workforce management system to determine your real utilization rate and inform scheduling and allocation.
- Optimize resource allocation by developing granular operating models (e.g., daily, event-based).
- Measure transactions and labor at the lowest level drivers (e.g., average hold time) and at small time intervals (seconds) to forecast capacity and skills.

### Labor cost optimization

- Visualize the impact of under- and overstaffing.
- Assess coverage and gaps across verticals, languages, and skills.
- Compare costs across teams by looking at cost and time per activity.

- Connect labor costs with production or service data to accurately determine the cost to support your patients.

### Advanced “what-if” scenario modeling

- Model and compare various scenarios (e.g., optimization of volume distributions based on cost or CSAT) and promptly see the impact on headcount, costs, and productivity KPIs.
- Easily run Erlang functions and determine staffing levels.
- Analyze the effect of changes, drivers, and assumptions to shape the best path forward.

### External supply/BPO optimization

- Optimize your workforce with the ideal mix of employees and agency contractors.
- Compare BPO performance metrics (e.g., answer time, SLA, cost, CSAT) to better understand trade-offs on enhancing customer service and reducing costs.
- Model contingency plans based on changing business needs (e.g., a BPO closed due to a hurricane) and shift work to other BPOs to avoid service disruptions.



## About Anaplan

Anaplan transforms the way you see, plan, and lead your business. By dynamically connecting financial, strategic, and operational plans in real time, Anaplan gives you the power to anticipate change, address complexity, and move at market speed. Anaplan's Connected Planning platform lets you view and contextualize current performance, forecast future outcomes to fuel growth and mitigate risk, and optimize costs so you can make faster, more strategic decisions. Anaplan helps more than 2,400 market-leading customers in over 50 countries navigate their daily planning challenges with confidence.

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## The Anaplan platform

- **Use advanced “what-if” scenario modeling**, powered by our patented Hyperblock™ calculation engine, to produce ultra-fast calculations at unprecedented scale.
- **Integrate seamlessly** with HCM/HR, Workforce Management (WFM), finance, operations, and other systems of record using prebuilt connectors or third-party ETL tools. Enrich your data with information from your data warehouse, third-party benchmark providers, and spreadsheets.
- **Manage organization-wide workforce data**, workforce plans, and hierarchies in a centralized data hub.
- **Leverage built-in dashboards, reporting, and analytics** with data visualization to provide a single source of truth on business performance.
- **Ensure best-in-class security**, with role-based access control, user management, SSO support with SAML 2.0 compliance, and data encryption.

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