

How to Effectively Handle Advice



A

ACKNOWLEDGE & THANK

Let the person providing the advice know that you value and appreciate their time, energy, effort, and input.



D

DON'T DISMISS OUT OF HAND

Avoid the knee-jerk reaction of saying 'no' without investing time to evaluate and decide.



V

VERIFY IMPACT & FEASIBILITY

Consider the impact the idea will have if implemented and assess the feasibility of making it happen. Make sure the impact outweighs the cost.



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INVITE YOUR GUT TO CHIME IN

Pay attention to what your instincts tell you. Your experience and intuition can be very informative.



C

CONSIDER THE SOURCE

Reflect on who is giving the advice and their experience, understanding of the situation, and motive.



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EVALUATE & SELECT

Determine if you will put the advice into practice, apply a modified version of the other person's counsel, or continue the status quo.