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# YOUR ESSENTIAL CHECKLIST FOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPING YOUR **PAY-PER-CLICK CAMPAIGN**

We wouldn't even *dream* of pretending that pay-per-click (PPC) advertising is an easy, one-dimensional digital marketing strategy. The truth is, PPC is pretty complex and will greet your online marketing team with just as steep of a learning curve!

Fortunately, we've compiled a simple checklist to help you master the basics of planning, developing, and launching a PPC campaign.

#### **STRATEGY & MESSAGE**

- □ Identify your market, customers and competitors.
- Determine the message and calls-to-action you're trying to convey. Consider how you will convince customers to choose you over your competitors.
- Determine your campaign goals and KPIs. More importantly, ensure they align!

#### **EFFECTIVE TARGETING**

- □ Identify the demographic of your target market. Consider where they are, their gender, age, income, when and where they spend their time online etc.
- Determine if your campaign will include display and/or remarketing tactics.
- Determine if your campaign will target mobile devices as well.

### CAMPAIGN DEVELOPMENT

- Conduct basic keyword research.
- Develop creative, enticing ad copy that highlights your product/service offers and benefits.
- Confirm all display URLs and destination URLs
- Generate list of negative keywords to deter the wrong type of visitors.
- Determine and set your daily monthly budget.

#### LANDING PAGE DEVELOPMENT

- Create a landing page customized to your campaign message, goal and KPIs.
- □ Ensure consistent messaging between keywords and your landing page to generate a higher Quality Score.
- **L** Ensure your landing page is responsive if you plan on targeting mobile users.

#### **MEASUREMENT & TRACKING**

- Conversion tracking MUST be implemented.
- □ Identify extra URL parameters you might need to add for tracking purposes.
- □ If you're incorporating remarketing, be sure to implement the remarketing code in AdWords.
- □ If you're incorporating phone calls, be sure to implement phone call tracking in AdWords.
- □ TEST your tracking!

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