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The Workforce Platform for the Modern Era



OVERVIEW

Nowsta is a cloud-based workforce management platform designed to help businesses automate and optimize how they **source, schedule, manage** and pay hourly, flex, and contingent workers — all from one centralized system.

It's especially aimed at industries that rely heavily on hourly or shift-based labor.

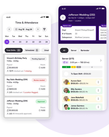
PROBLEM

Nowsta's mobile application acts as an operational companion for workforce coordinators managing staffing, scheduling, attendance, and real-time communication on the go. While the platform was functionally powerful, the mobile experience lacked efficiency for high-pressure operational environments where quick actions and real-time visibility are critical.

GOAL

The goal of this application is to design a **simple, transparent and a mobile-first** coordination experience that:

- Simplifies daily workforce operations
- Enables faster staffing decisions
- Improves operational visibility
- Reduces repetitive manual actions
- Supports real-time workforce management



TARGET USERS

The Nowsta platform serves organizations that rely heavily on shift-based and flexible workforces. The redesigned mobile focuses on operational users Managers or Coordinators) who manage daily workforce logistics.

Primary Users

- Operations Managers
  - Responsible for overseeing staffing operations and ensuring shifts are fully staffed.
- Workforce Coordinators / Scheduling Managers
  - Handle shift assignments, worker availability, and schedule adjustments.

Secondary Users

- HR & Payroll Teams
  - Use the platform to manage worker records, payroll data, and compliance.



Rachel Hawthorn

Age	35
Education	Hospitality Management
Experience	7+ years in workforce coordination & operations
Industry	Events & Hospitality Staffing

About

Rachel manages daily staffing operations across multiple events, ensuring shifts are filled and running smoothly. She frequently handles last-minute changes, worker availability, and unexpected conflicts under tight timelines.

She relies heavily on workforce tools like Nowsta to coordinate large teams efficiently and prefers solutions that offer quick visibility, fast actions, and minimal manual effort.

Goals

- Ensure all shifts are fully staffed without last-minute disruptions
- Quickly identify and resolve staffing gaps or scheduling conflicts
- Reduce time spent on manual scheduling and repetitive tasks
- Maintain clear visibility into daily operations and workforce status

Personality

- Detail-oriented
- Proactive
- Fast decision maker
- Multitasker
- Highly organized
- Flexible to-do's

Frustrations

- Last-minute shift scheduling interrupts multiple screens to complete a single task
- Difficulty quickly urgent issues like unfilled shifts or worker conflicts
- Repetitive manual actions when assigning or updating shifts
- Lack of a centralized view to monitor real-time workforce operations

RESEARCH

Through workflow analysis, operational reviews, and competitor benchmarking, several recurring patterns emerged.

KEY RESEARCH INSIGHTS

- Coordinators operate under constant time pressure
- Staffing decisions are repetitive and pattern-based
- Mobile usage happens mostly during active operations
- Users need "at-a-glance" visibility rather than deep navigation
- Attendance tracking and upon shift management are the most frequent tasks
- Manual coordination increases staffing delays and operational errors.

DESIGN STRATEGY

The mobile-first coordination experience focused on transforming Nowsta Mobile from a task-heavy operational tool into a smarter workforce coordination platform optimized for speed, clarity, and real-time decision-making.

Simplify high-frequency workflows into quick, action-oriented interactions

Reduce cognitive load using clear hierarchy and progressive disclosure

Prioritize real-time operational visibility across screens

Introduce AI-assisted staffing to reduce manual coordination effort

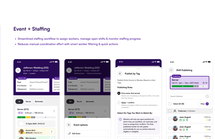
Create consistent mobile interaction patterns across modules

Enable coordinators to take action with minimal navigation

COLORS & TYPOGRAPHY

Colors

Color pairing play a vital role in expressing a brand's identity, establishing the mood and shaping the overall user experience in design.



Typography

The Gentium font will a clean, modern touch to the workers app. It's readable, professional and builds trust, making the interface feel clear and user-friendly.

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CORE UX FLOWS

Onboarding

- Simplified onboarding flow to quickly set up company, workforce, and scheduling operations
- Reduces setup friction through guided steps.



Calendar

- Centralized operational hub to manage shifts, staffing coverage & daily workforce activities
- Enables quick identification of understaffed events, scheduling conflicts & urgent actions

Event + Staffing

- Streamlined staffing workflow to assign workers, manage open shifts & monitor staffing progress
- Reduces manual coordination effort with smart worker filtering & quick actions.

Time & attendance

- Real-time attendance tracking system
- Helps coordinators resolve workforce issues faster through better visibility flows.

Chat

- Centralized communication space for coordinators and workers
- Reduces dependency on fragmented communication channels

IMPACT & OUTCOMES

The redesigned mobile experience helped streamline workforce coordination and improve operational efficiency.

- Reduced manual staffing effort
- Faster shift fulfillment
- Reduced attendance review time
- Better visibility into operational risks
- Improved coordination efficiency on mobile

Thank you for your time! :)