

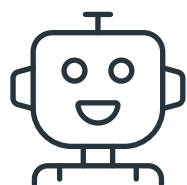
Front-Office AI Tech Buyers: Beware!

Are You Buying a Bot or a Platform?

DSOs and dental practices are investing in front-office AI to **improve efficiency**, **boost revenue** and **deliver better patient experiences**. But the market is full of noisy marketing that blurs the line between quick-fix AI point solutions (bots) and long-term, scalable AI platforms.

Choosing wrong could mean more work for your staff, not less.

The Hype vs. The Reality



Bot

Typically, while a bot may seem like a quick fix, it only handles a single, specific task—and it usually passes off the final step to your staff.



Platform

A complete AI Platform is built to deliver a unified and scalable end-to-end approach designed to aid in the patient journey, from first call to final invoice.



Decision Point

Point solutions (bots) are relevant for businesses who desire basic automation without deeper integrations into existing workflows.

AI platforms are ideal for organizations looking to maximize automation with AI technology by integrating deeply with tools and workflows at the office.

Bots vs. Platforms

Feature / Capability	AI Point Solution (Bot)	AI Platform
End-to-End Appointment Booking	— Escalates to staff	✓ Completes autonomously
Full Self-Service Rescheduling	— No support	✓ No staff involvement
Unified Omnichannel Support	— Voice-first, separate systems	✓ Seamless voice, text, web
Maintains Conversation Context	— Starts over each time	✓ Remembers prior sessions
DSO Scalability & Reporting	— Limited/none	✓ Enterprise-grade, consolidated analytics

What Defines a True AI “Platform”

A platform is purpose-built to address the complexity of communications and scheduling across a DSO. It must be built on four essential pillars to deliver long-term value and scalability.

	Core Function	Why It Matters
Automated	Completes tasks (books, reschedules, cancels) autonomously.	True Efficiency: Focuses on job completion, preventing the AI from becoming just a notification service.
Configurable	Adapts to every practice’s unique rules and workflows.	Scalable Automation: Turns your best practices into standardized, system-wide rules.
Comprehensive	Covers all channels and integrates deeply with your systems (PMS, phone).	Complete Coverage: Handles all patient contact methods and prevents increasing manual work.
Extensible	Scales with your growth, new services and evolving needs.	Future-Proof: Allows you to build once and scale fast across new locations or specialties.

Invest for the Long Term

Don't risk adopting a suboptimal solution. While a point solution offers a basic level of automation, it often fails to integrate deeply enough to solve your core problems.

A comprehensive AI Platform is the best choice because it delivers:

- ✓ **Unmatched levels of automation** across the full range of patient requests.
- ✓ **A unified approach** across all locations and communication channels.
- ✓ **Actionable operational insights** consolidated at the brand level.

Fully understanding your challenges and workflows is the best way to sidestep the "quick fix" and select an AI platform that can solve your problems and add long-term value.

Explore more!

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