

Virtual Tech on Tap: Navigating a Changing Tech Job Market

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AGENDA

WHAT WE'RE SEEING IN THE INNOVATION ECONOMY

An overview of what we're seeing in today's job market across key industry sectors.

HOW COMPANIES ARE STARTING TO ADJUST AND PIVOT

Examples of some innovations within the Enterprise B2B SaaS sector of how companies are reacting to (and preparing for) the new reality.

HOW ARE INVESTORS ADDRESSING THE IMPACT

We've heard a variety of reactions from investors we speak to, but what does the data show and how are we thinking about the future?

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO BE PROACTIVE AND PREPARE?

Whether or not you're currently looking for work, or if you're a hiring manager, you can think ahead by positioning yourself and looking at companies in different ways.



THE BOWDOIN GROUP: AN OVERVIEW

National executive search firm founded in 1994

Presence in Waltham (HQ), Boston, New York City, and San Francisco



Software & **Technology**



FinTech & **Financial Services**



Digital Health



BioPharma

2020 Net Promoter Score

CLIENT

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Industry Average

PLACED TALENT

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Industry Average 45-person team based across U.S.

Deep connections to PE & VC ecosystems throughout the **Innovation Economy**

Team **Expansions**

Executive & Strategic Search

Recruitment **Process** Outsourcing (RPO)



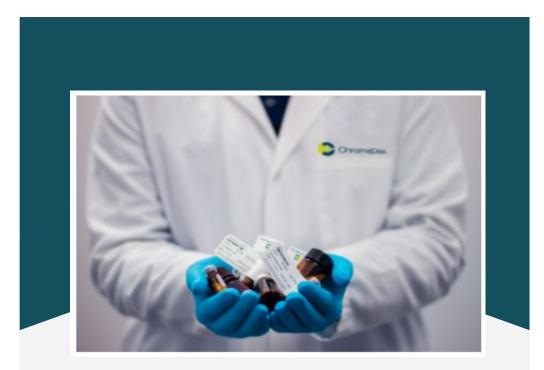
- Range of services provide a one-stop-shop for all talent acquisition needs
- Researchers and recruiters are subject matter experts, and operate on a combination of market data and relationships

How do you stand out and add value as the world weathers the storm?



WHAT WE'RE SEEING IN THE MARKET

Many companies are seeing opportunities for corporate growth by solving problems COVID has created



BIOTECH

- FDA is still functioning, but big unknown around clinical trials if they haven't already started
- BioPharmas are still preparing for commercialization, but sales process is still an unknown



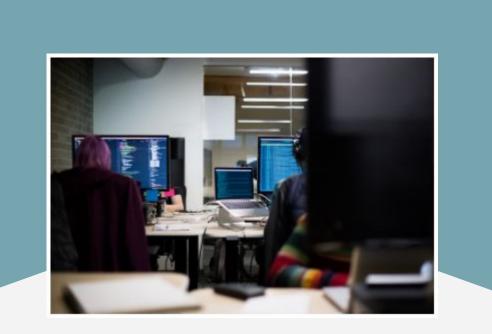
DIGITAL HEALTH

 Certain sub-sectors are heating up like symptom checking (Buoy Health), telehealth (AMwell), home monitoring (Health Recovery Solutions), Interoperability and data (b.well), behavioral health (AbleTo)



FINTECH

- Intersection appearing with
 Digital Health in payments
- Online banking can become more mainstream
- With traditional Financial Services firms struggling, more opportunity for partnership and M&A



SOFTWARE

- Areas heavily reliant on consumerism being hit hardest
- Enterprise software has potential to be positive force, addressing client needs around remote collab tools, security, cloud-based storage, CRMs, etc.

ENTERPRISE TECH TRENDS WE'RE OBSERVING

Some key trends across Software & Technology Sub-verticals



EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES

Artificial Intelligence,
 Machine Learning, and data
 science companies are
 continuing to evolve and
 have potential to be the
 cornerstone of the next
 wave of tech



EXISTING TECHNOLOGIES

 Example: Cybersecurity is becoming increasingly complex and important, with companies like Randori receiving \$20M in Series A funding in mid-April



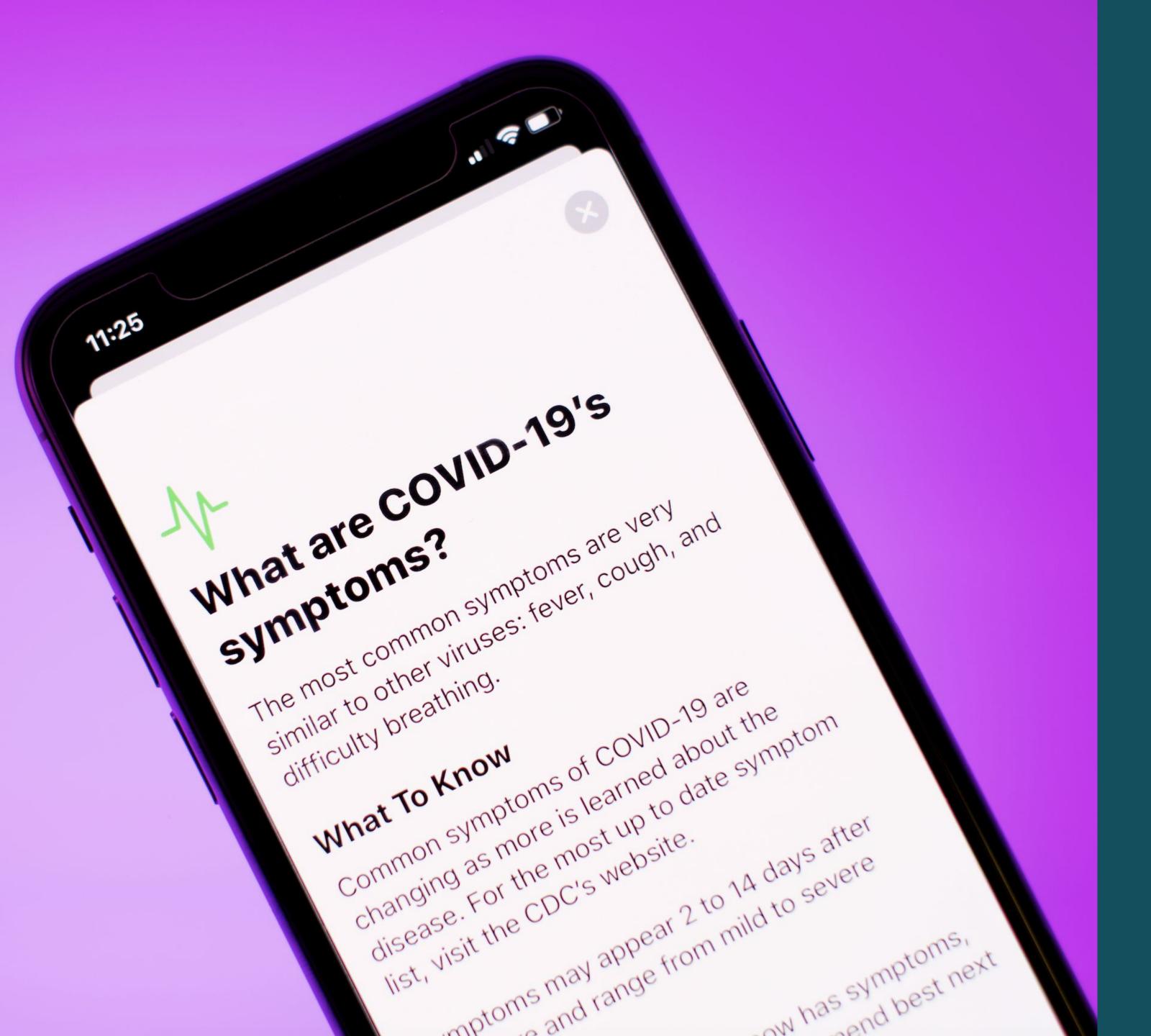
ENTERPRISE B2B SAAS

Companies like Zoom,
 Salesforce, HubSpot are all mission-critical technologies for businesses of today



FUTURE-OF-WORK TOOLS

 Companies that enable better workflow, collaboration, and efficiencies are starting to attract more attention and will be a valuable solution for the new workplace



Companies are starting to identify opportunities amidst the chaos

SEEING OPPORTUNITY: HOW COMPANIES ARE PIVOTING

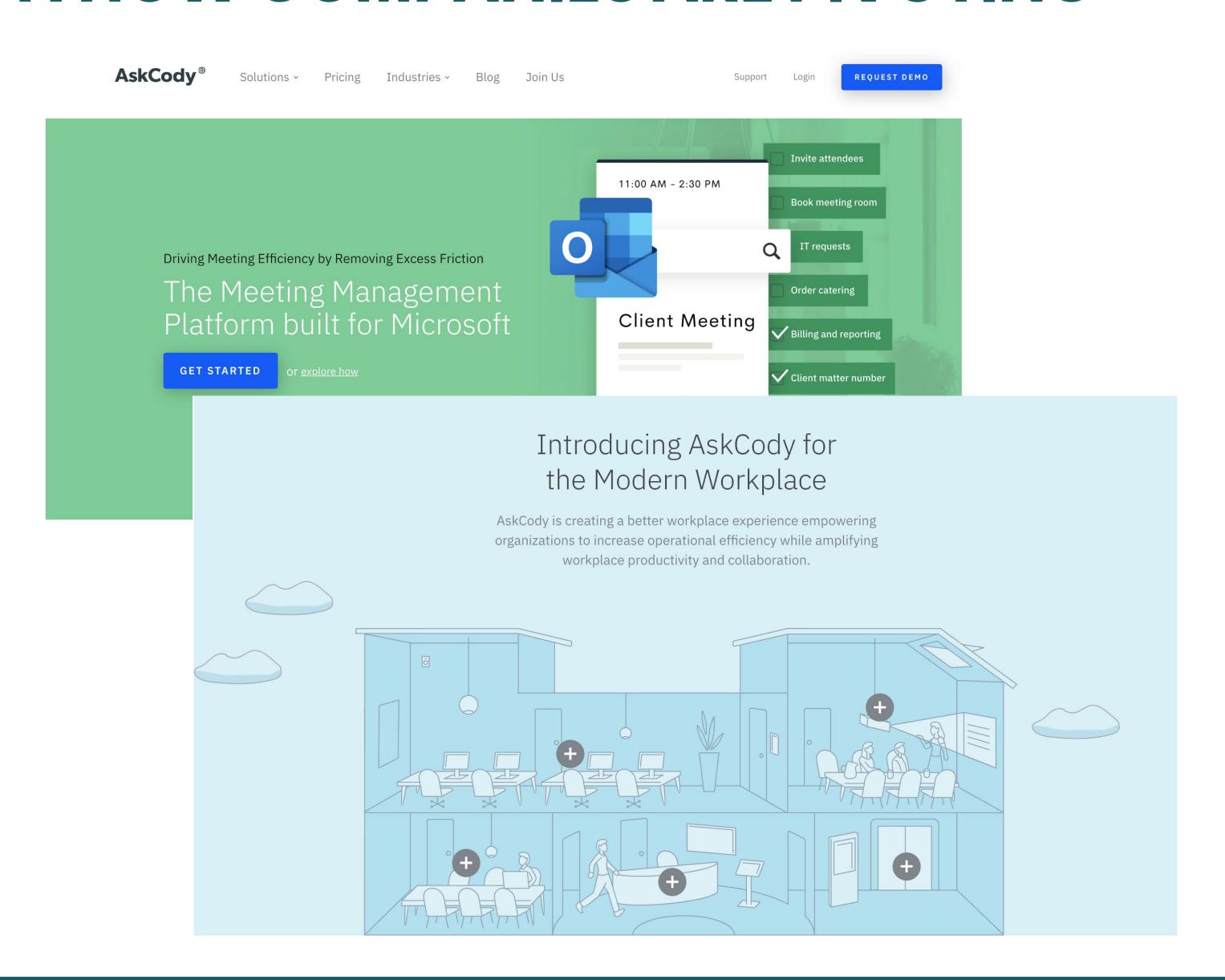
COMPANY: AskCody

LOCATION: Boston, MA

DESCRIPTION: Workplace management software that enables teams to book conference rooms and anything they may need (think catering, IT, A/V) to run the best meeting possible

SITUATION: Were impacted negatively by COVID-19 based on current business model

SOLUTION: Saw opportunity to pivot to address existing market and help solve more relevant problems



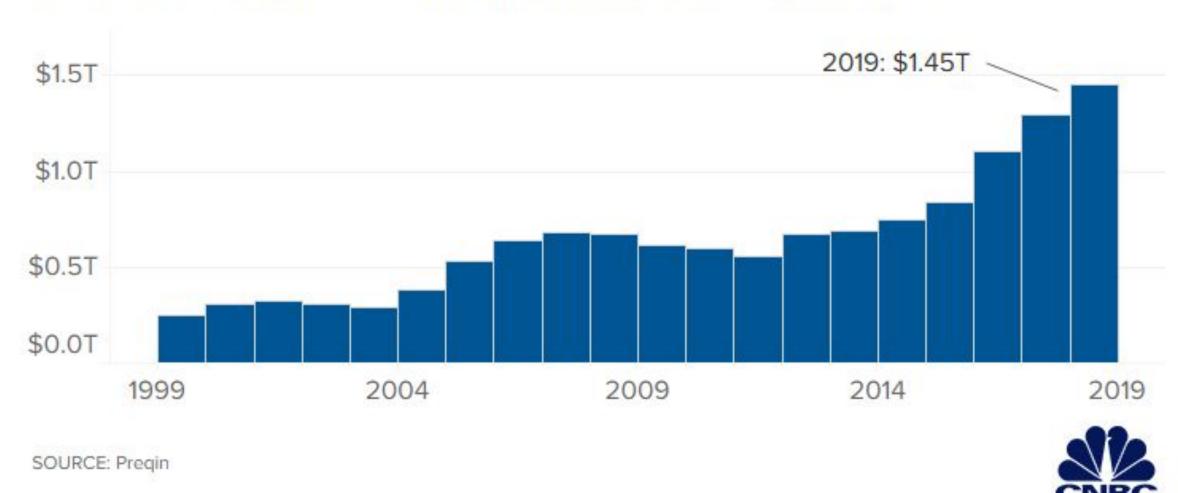
WITH CAPITAL, CRITICAL HIRES WILL STILL BE MADE



Funds will look for smarter and better investments in the current climate, which means companies will still need to hire for key roles

Private equity's cash reserves

Available "dry powder" among global private equity firms



CNBC.com from January 3, 2020

"Private investors are sitting on a record \$1.5 trillion in cash, according to new data from Preqin. That is the highest on record and more than double what it was five years ago."

"VC fundraising has been strong in recent years, with investors raising more than \$210 billion since 2016. As a result, there is ample dry powder in the market ready to be put to work in promising startups."



Source: PitchBook | Geography: US *As of March 17, 2020

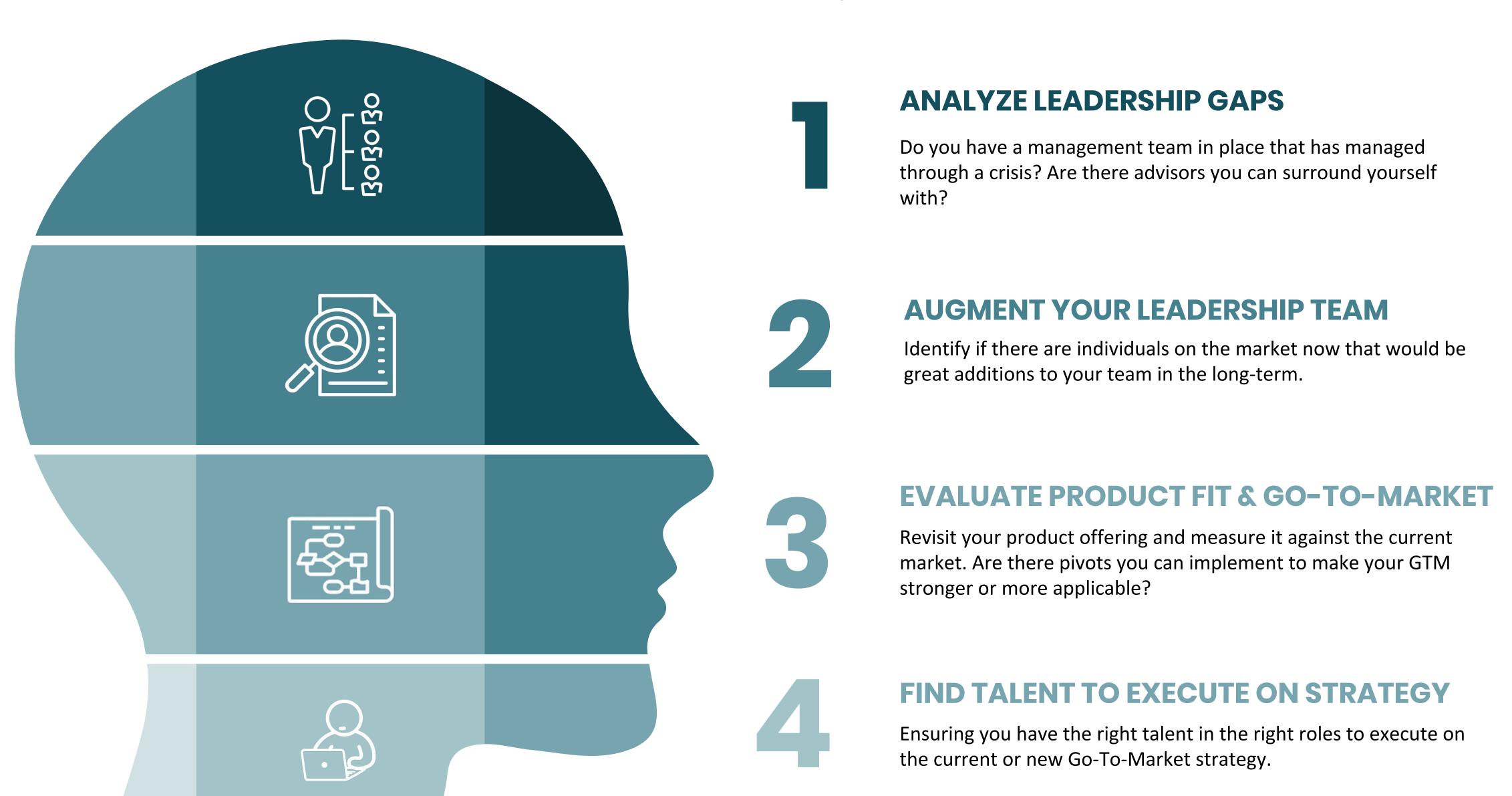
PitchBook Venture Monitor Q1 2020 Report

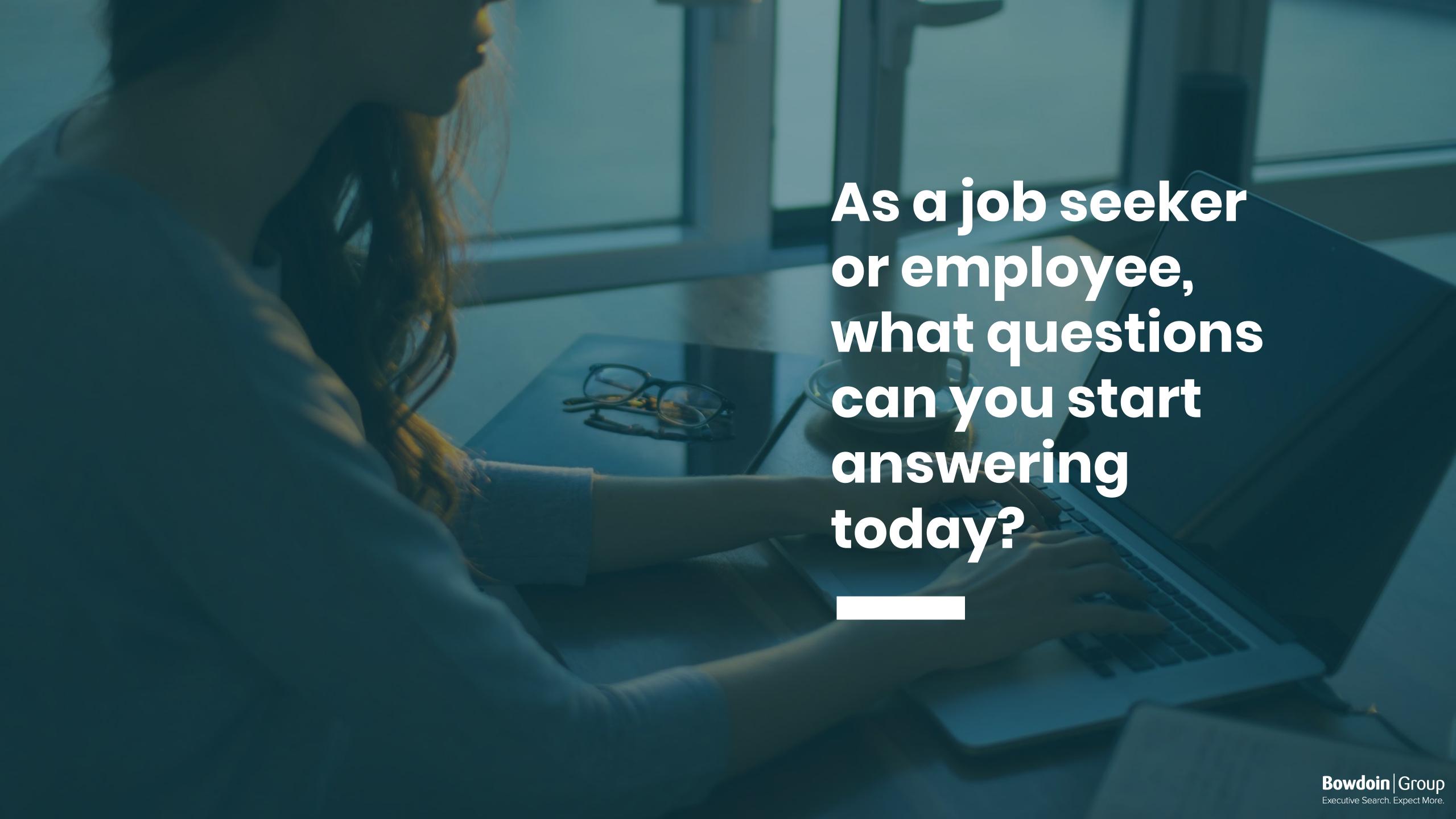




FOR COMPANIES: IN CHAOS, THERE'S OPPORTUNITY







FOR YOUR CAREER: WHAT YOU DO TODAY MATTERS

STOP AND EVALUATE YOUR SKILL SET

Think about your current position, research roles and companies, consider who you want to be professionally.

CONTINUE TO BUILD YOUR BRAND

How does the world think about you digitally, how are you perceived by your network, team, and the market, and does this align with how you want to be seen?

LOOK FOR COMPANIES WITH FORESIGHT

Need to consider how companies are thinking about their businesses but also how they're supporting their employees.

SELL YOUR UNIQUE EXPERIENCE

You'll be promoted or hired for what you've done, not necessarily what you can do. Focus on your accomplishments and the impact you can bring to the table.





So, how can you plan in an evolving job market?

STARTING TO THINK AHEAD

As a hiring manager, employee, or job seeker, what can you be doing to manage through the chaos and weather the storm?



PREPARE AND ACT NOW

You have to start with the end in mind: Where can you add value?



CONTROL WHAT
YOU CAN CONTROL

Recognize that what's happening in the world today is completely outside your control.



MAKE THE BEST DECISIONS YOU CAN

Self reflection is incredibly important. Understand where your skills fit, and evaluate.



OPPORTUNITIES WILL BE A PRODUCT OF THE TIMES + EFFORT

You shouldn't wait for the next opportunity.

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