

Wave-Secure Data Group – Business Continuation Health Check

For companies that need to know their plan will work when they need it to

Business Continuation Health Check -

Does your Business Continuation plan work? When was the last time you tested it in a real/near real environment? Are you prepared to bet your organization that it's good enough?

When an actual business interruption occurs, having a plan incapable of recovering critical business functions to planned timeframes could spell disaster! Gartner Studies show that eighty (80) percent of all business that experience a catastrophic interruption are out of business within three (3) years. Studies also show that eighty (80) percent of all organizations do not have a business continuation plan in place.

Our BC Health Check provides clients with the peace of mind that what they have in place is realistic and will work when it needs to. This unique Secure Data Group offering is designed for organizations that already have developed business continuity plans in place, created either internally or with the use of an outside company. The Health Check provides clients with the following:

- Assurance that current plans will work when needed.
- Independent verification of the plan's reality/workability.
- Identification of potential plan issues or problems.
- Actual condition testing for client selected business areas.
- An Option for continuous review and testing for proactive peace of mind.

The BC Health Check provides organizations with a comprehensive, cost-effective, third-party solution for identifying areas of exposure. This enables clients to set priorities and strategies, identify and analyze issues, collaborate & act on corrective actions and know that their plan will work.

A BC Health Check provides an independent third party audit of your process, procedures, technology infrastructure, Data Management, and an evaluation of the use of existing infrastructure software.

Methodology: Review, Analyze, Test, Collaborate & Act

- **Review:** Against existing BC/DR plans against best practices to identify potential issues and problems. Identify any and all issues, including changes to the architecture or environment since existing plans were last updated.

- **Analyze:** The depth and breadth of our BC Health Check provides clients with a reality check of what is truly workable based on their existing plan specifications versus what their current equipment/capabilities can handle. This enhances capital equipment and personnel expenditure planning and budgeting.
- **Test:** By running sample tests (planned and blind), we gain insight into the real status of your organization's facilities, assigned personnel and existing plans. We provide a complete picture of the state of existing plans including an itemized list of issues and recommended corrective actions as necessary.
- **Collaborate & Act:** We work closely with clients to help them manage required corrective actions and future expansion plans. We remain with them through the entire process, delivering the correct resources to support their efforts. This allows clients to act quickly, without impacting their day-to-day responsibilities.

The Benefits of Business Continuation Health Check

The BC Health Check is your tool to ensure your company stays in business when an interruption happens. The reality is that your Business Continuation plans are critical to your companies' survival. Depending on your industry, you may also be under industry regulations to have working plans in place. Secure Data Group is your long term partner. We stand by our plans, and will be with you during any audit of your recovery abilities. Regardless if you are under mandatory regulation, Business Continuation is a necessary part of your day-to-day business life.

Making Business Continuation part of your normal change management and project implementation can reduce your technology budget by one to two percent.

The BC Health Check will tell you exactly where you stand, what is missing, and what can be done for corrective action.

You can also roll this into our BCD (Business Continuation Deployment) product which will not only provide you with the information, but provide a completely working and functional plan for any interruption possible.

Key Features

The Business Continuation Health Check offers a flexible and in-depth deliverable with extensive information to identify and address any possible issue with your existing continuity plans. Its features make it easy to visualize strategy and drill down into all details. This service is a combination of our Business Process Health Check and our Disaster Recovery Health Check. Utilizing the BC Health Check will ensure that both sides of the process are identified and synced. Utilizing our proprietary BAT-SPOF (Business and Technology–Single point of failure) Analysis we will review all aspects of your business and technology operations.

We analyze clients existing BCP plans by conducting an in-depth review of both the Business and Technology portions of their plans. We then provide detailed reports, recommendations, project planning, and implementation assistance. We will also develop, with the client's staff, detailed recovery and implementation procedures.

Existing Plan Review:

- Review and identify issue with Risk Assessment.
- Review and Identify issues with business process.
- Review and Identify issues with process and procedure documentation.
- Review and identify issues with revenue impact analysis.
- Review and identify issues with supply chain management
- Review and identify issues with service provider management. (Including any outsourced functions)
- Review and inspection of all infrastructure documentation for accuracy.
- Review and identify issues with your technology infrastructure to support your TTR.
- Review Disaster Recovery Procedures for each subsystem.
- Review existing hardware and software to ensure compatibility and maximize efficient utilization.

Why Wave Secure Data Group?

Wave Secure Data Group is a vendor neutral technology consulting company. Our consultative approach provides our clients with impartial assessments of available technology based on the client's specific needs. Our highly trained staff brings years of industry experience from both sides of the "fence". We understand the technology industry from our client's perspective, enabling us to provide relevant solutions to solve your specific needs.

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