

Avalution collaboratively builds custom designed continuity programs that fit the unique needs of your organization – without forcing your needs to fit a template. Our approach, refined from years of focused experience, results in balanced, cost-effective strategies that manage the risk associated with a business interruption. Our experience and approach enable us to meet your most aggressive requirements while our solutions align with executive management expectations, contributing to – not getting in the way of – revenue growth, market share expansion and business process maturation.

Continuity Program Definition

The first step in starting a business continuity program typically involves the establishment of internal governance structures and custom elements of the organization's unique business continuity lifecycle. We've found that a management-approved policy statement and set of standard operating procedures clarifies how the program will operate long-term and provides a method of measuring performance and holding key managers accountable.

Business Impact Analysis (BIA)

The identification of business and technology recovery objectives is a foundational element of the business continuity planning process. The BIA clarifies the scope of the planning effort and enables management to focus scarce resources on critical elements of the business. It's important to note that a BIA does not have to be a huge undertaking. There are many ways to identify recovery objectives; however, the process is heavily influenced by the organization's culture.

Risk Assessment

Avalution's risk assessment approach mirrors enterprise-wide risk management concepts by not only estimating the likelihood of risk occurrence but also identifying opportunities to control the likelihood of, and severity with, disruptive events. We identify likely sources of availability risk, current-state controls to mitigate risk and options to further mitigate the likelihood of the event – to a level acceptable to management. Of equal importance, we enable our clients to perform similar assessments in the future by providing them with tools and a framework to monitor risk and risk mitigation efforts.

Risk Treatment and Business Continuity Strategy Identification

Avalution provides objective assistance with the design and selection of business continuity strategies, including risk mitigation, crisis management, crisis communication, business resumption and IT disaster recovery strategies.

Plan Documentation

Avalution assists with the development of plan structures and initial content. Our firm also trains plan owners on how to use and maintain their plans. Avalution can also assist with identifying tools to manage your plans utilizing your existing IT infrastructure or a third party tool.

Certification

After establishing a business continuity program, many businesses find value in certifying their program as compliant with a standard such as BS 25999. Avalution has the knowledge and experience to assist your organization with meeting certification requirements and provide assistance throughout the course of the audit as your advocate.

For additional information regarding our professionals, tools and solutions, or a demo of The Planning Portal (our customizable, web-based business continuity software), please contact us at 866.533.0575 or via email at contactus@avalution.com.

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