

Securing Your Remote Workforce

A Checklist for Strengthening Your Cybersecurity Posture

As our work dynamics are changing rapidly, and our workforces are shifting to remote work, building a culture of security is even more critical than ever. Here are some tips to help you support workers as they transition to virtual work.

Maintain open, regular communication

Identify your cybersecurity priorities with executive leadership and continue sharing critical information with your organization.

Implement Your Business Continuity Plan

Map options for various contingencies, considering factors like reduced personnel or operating capacity.

Perform critical security systems upgrades

Be sure to test VPNs to prevent surge capacity outages. Address internal password policies. Expedite and automate patching where possible.

Educate employees about cybersecurity measures

Provide clear, actionable guidelines to ensure their devices, software, cloud usage and video conferencing systems adhere to best security practices.

Seek help from trusted partners

Many vendors are offering expanded coverage. Investigate temporary licensing and customer service options from trusted providers.

Adapt compliance postures where needed

Determine requirements for effective responsiveness and keep teams informed as targets change.

Revisit your SLAs

Reevaluate service delivery expectations with relevant teams to reach agreement as priorities shift. Anticipate potential interruptions and brainstorm creative solutions.

Avoid rolling out massive system changes

Before committing to ambitious overhauls, weigh the risks and benefits, prioritizing essentials. Large scale changes can be highly disruptive and adversely impact productivity.

Document security changes

Use documentation to elicit feedback and don't be afraid to recalibrate. You'll want to revisit your changes as your organization transitions back to their usual work environments.

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