



TOPIC: Business Continuity Plan and Disaster Recovery Plan

Business Continuity Plans (BCPs) help to ensure that services, programs, and operations **continue to function** in an acceptable (but possibly alternate) manner, throughout a significant event or disaster. The key objective of BCP is to **reduce the business disruption** of critical functions and services as much as possible.



Disaster Recovery Plans (DRPs) are a component of BCP with the key objective of ensuring the **technical recovery** and **timely resumption** of services, programs, and operations in the event of a significant event or disaster.

Good coordination and liaison between business units, partners, and service providers is critical to restoring business operations during and following an interruption, and plans should leverage reasonable controls to reduce the risk of related actions causing unintended security incidents.

A documented Business Continuity Plan and a documented Disaster Recovery Plan should be in place within an organization, which should outline the process to respond to an event. To be compliant with Defensible Security, both plans must be followed, reviewed, updated, and tested regularly.

UPCOMING SECURITY EVENTS:



- **Monthly Defensible Security Conference Call: Oct 31, 2018**

At the next conference call, 4 control areas of Defensible Security will be discussed; Incident Management, Incident Response, BCP, and DRP.

- **BC Security Day: Nov 7, 2018 "What's App with AI?"**

The Province organizes and hosts two "Security Day" events each year (Spring and Fall), free of charge. Representatives from the broader public sector, school districts, post secondary institutions, municipalities, and crown corporations are encouraged to attend. Visit the [Security Day website](#) for more information.

- **20th Annual Privacy and Security Conference: Feb 6-8, 2019**

This three-day conference is recognized as one of the top tier events in North America, drawing an international audience of some 1,000 delegates with an interest in cutting edge policy, programs, law, research, and technologies aimed at the protection of privacy and security. Visit the [Privacy and Security Conference website](#) for more information.

