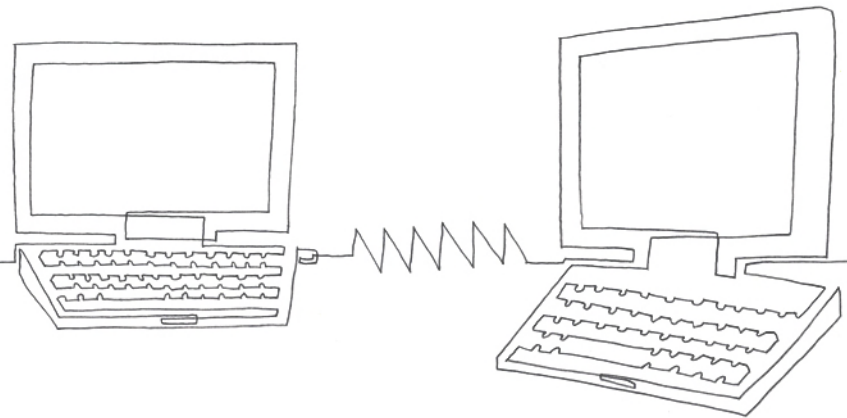


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BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLANNING FOR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS



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Agenda

- BCP Overview
- FFIEC BCP Guidance
- RSM's 5-Phase BCP Methodology
- Questions & Answers/Open Discussion
- Conclusions/Wrap-up

BCP OVERVIEW

Business Continuity Plan (BCP) Definition

- Documented and formal arrangements for resuming critical business operations in a timely manner following a disaster or other disruption
 - “Timely” may equal “Immediate”
 - Degraded operations may suffice temporarily
 - Focus is on sustaining the business
 - Business operations require essential resources
 - Recovery process must be efficient and organized

BCP vs. Broader Risk Management*

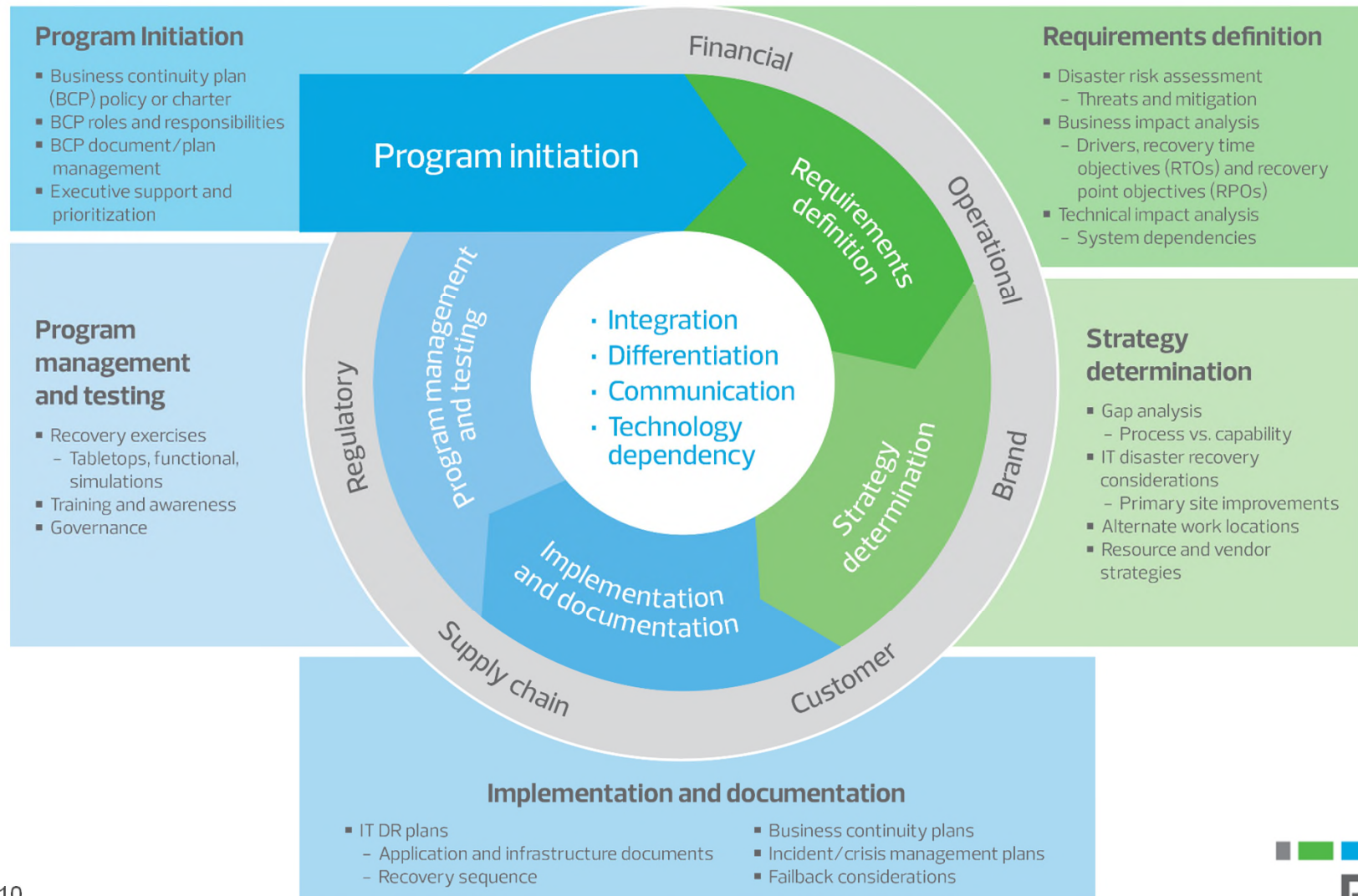
- Business Continuity Planning Elements:
 - Crisis Management Plans/Crisis Communication Plans
 - IT Disaster Recovery (DR) Plans
 - Business Resumption Plans
 - Pandemic Response Plans
- Other Risk Management Initiatives:
 - Emergency Response Plans
 - Incident Response Plans/Incident Action Plans
 - Information Security Programs
 - Physical Security Programs
 - Compliance Programs
 - Insurance Programs
 - Staff Succession Plans

*Relative positioning may vary

Basic BCP Concepts

- Functions and systems must be inventoried and prioritized for recovery
- BCPs should primarily address your aggregate risks and scenarios
- Recovery processes should leverage pre-established strategies for key requirements
- The organization's BCP is a collection of multiple “recovery playbooks”
 - Individual teams/departments have their own “recovery playbooks” for reference following a disaster
 - Recovery coordinated from department level to the organization level
 - Designated teams for recovery coordination, IT restoration, etc.

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Ongoing BCP Program

- Should encompass all facets of the BCP Program, including:
 - BCP Policy and Program Charter
 - Business Impact Analysis (BIA)
 - Disaster Risk Assessment (DRA)
 - Recovery strategies
 - BCP
 - Testing Schedule and Procedures
 - Training Schedule and Procedures

Ongoing BCP Program continued

- Activities should be performed according to an established schedule and in response to designated “triggering” events:
 - Log activities and report progress to Steering Committee, etc.
 - Respond to organizational changes, test results, audits, etc.
 - Adjust schedule and/or procedures as necessary/appropriate
- Key ongoing (scheduled) activities:
 - Exercises/Tests/Drills
 - Staff Training
 - Maintenance
 - Enhancement
 - Reviews/Audits

FFIEC BCP GUIDANCE

FFIEC BCP Handbook

- High-level guidance on best practices and regulatory requirements for a sound planning program
- Follows closely with industry best practices
- Aligns with the methodologies developed by RSM, Disaster Recovery Institute International (DRII), and other industry sources
- Supplemented by interagency statements
- Latest revision: November 2019

FFIEC BCP Handbook – Key Focus Areas

- Enterprisewide continuity planning
- Management oversight and support – including formal and documented Board approval
- Business impact analysis (BIA) and disaster risk assessment (DRA)
- Strategic risk management
 - Adequate risk reduction strategies and recovery strategies
 - Integration with other processes-System Development Life Cycle (SDLC), audit, training, etc.

FFIEC BCP Handbook – Key Focus Areas continued

- Ongoing testing and maintenance programs
 - Including logging (documentation) of activities and the associated results
- IT disaster recovery and increased IT complexity
- Integration with third-party service providers
- Consideration of security

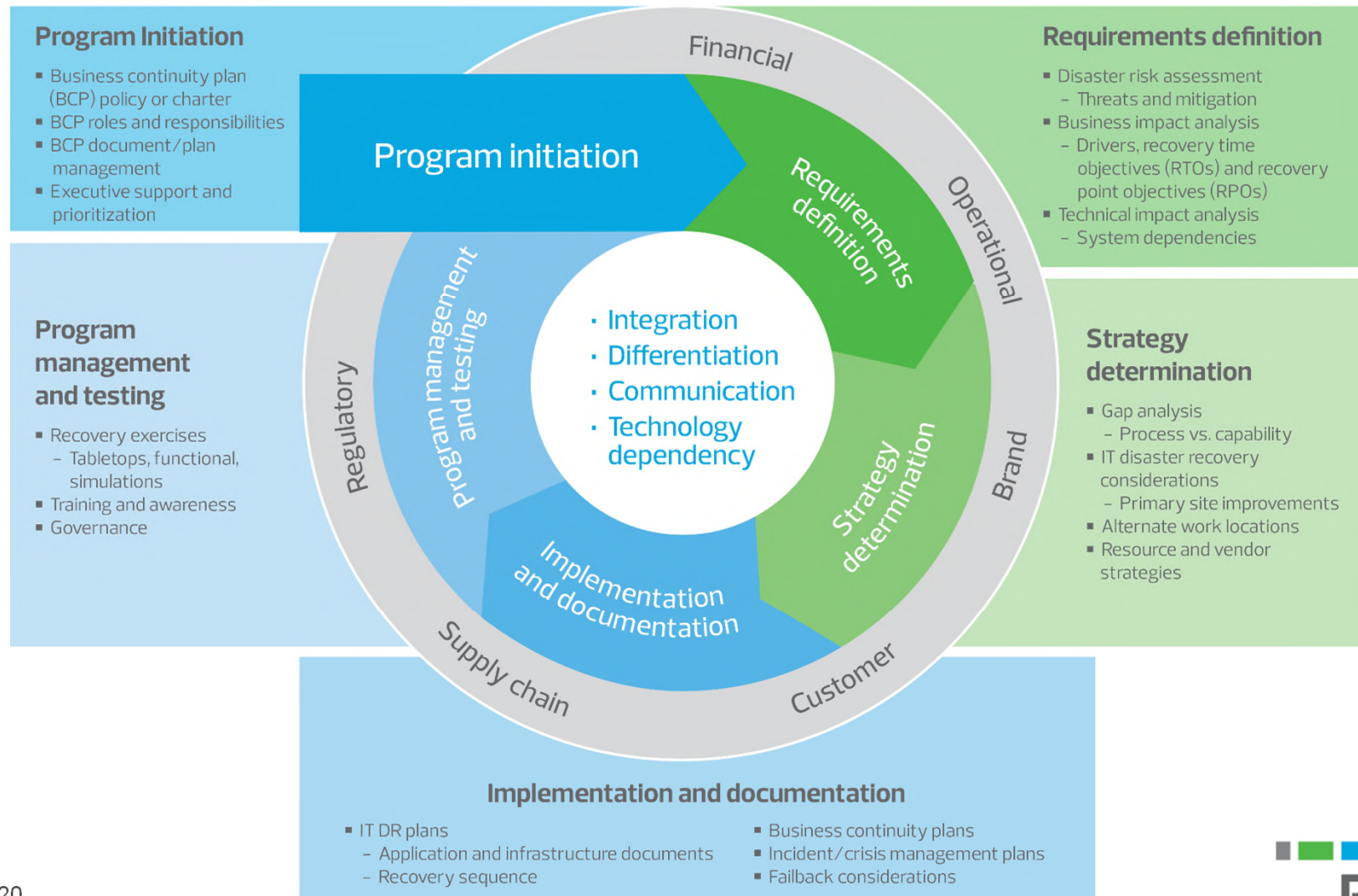
FFIEC BCP Handbook – “Recent” Additions

- Pandemic Response Planning
- Tiered regulatory assessment
- Increased emphasis on previous guidance
 - Board and Senior Management involvement
 - Cyclical planning process
 - Business Impact Analysis (BIA)
- Comprehensive assessment of third-party risks
- Failure of primary DR/BCP strategies and plans
 - Supplemental measures, such as Sheltered Harbor

RSM'S 5-PHASE BCP METHODOLOGY

PROGRAM INITIATION

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BCP Policy and/or Charter

- Concise, but clear and definitive
- Formally approved and properly adopted
- Regularly reviewed and updated
- Suggested topics:
 - Scope, objectives, and assumptions
 - Roles and responsibilities with clear accountability
 - General approach/methodology
 - Timeline and budget
 - Ongoing planning processes

BCP Roles

- Executive Sponsor
- Steering Committee
- Business Continuity Coordinator and/or Administrator(s)
- Recovery Teams
 - Team Leaders
 - Alternate Team Leaders
 - Team Members (and Alternates)
- Evaluators/Auditors
- Liaisons

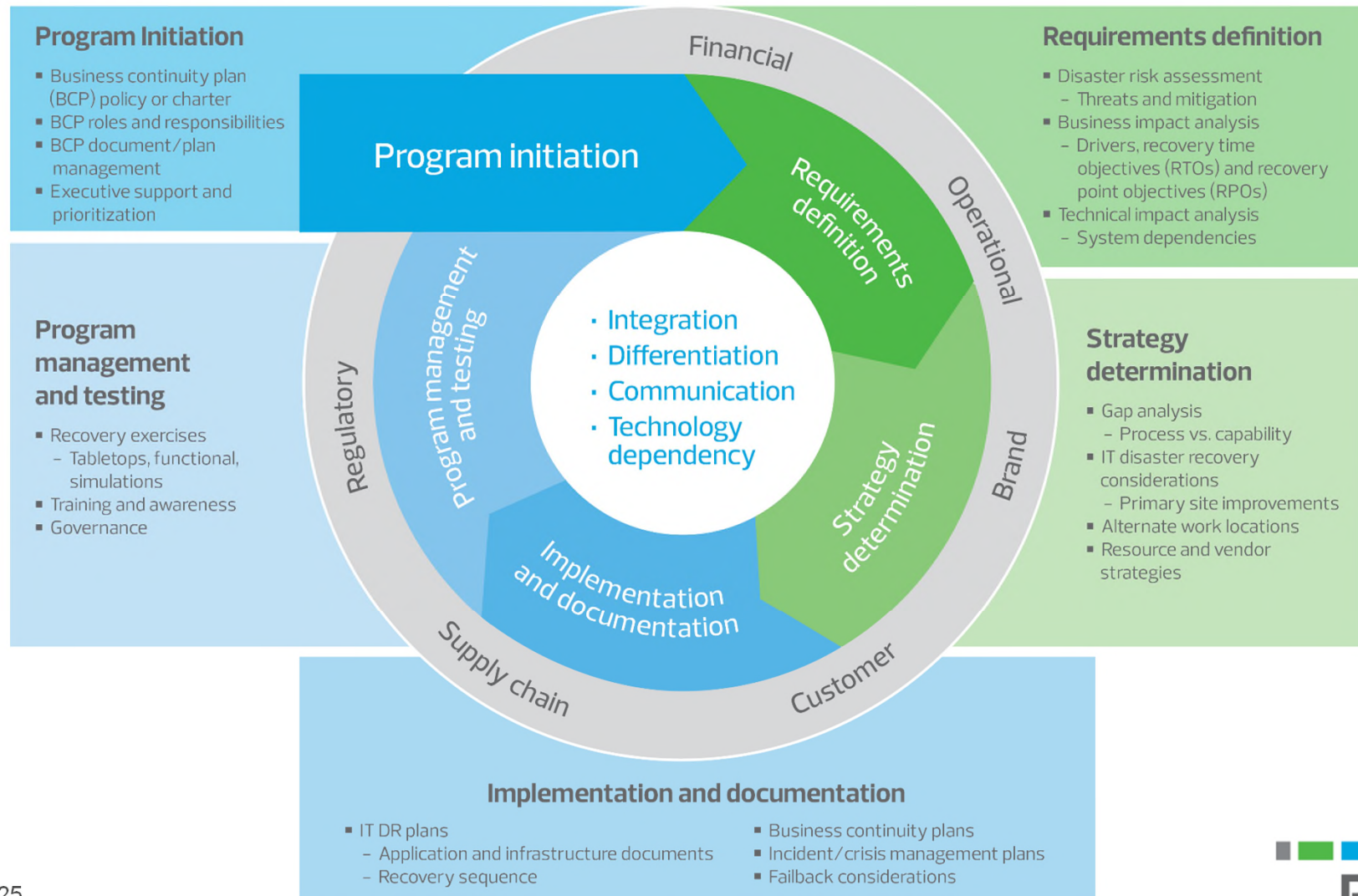
BCP Software Tools

- Specialized tools for developing, maintaining and storing your BCP(s) and other related materials
- Support consistent and effective planning
- Relational databases to support data collection and maintenance
- Specialized user interfaces and output reporting
- User security, external interfaces, expanded features, etc.

Facilitate, but do not replace, the plan development, maintenance and testing processes

REQUIREMENTS DEFINITION

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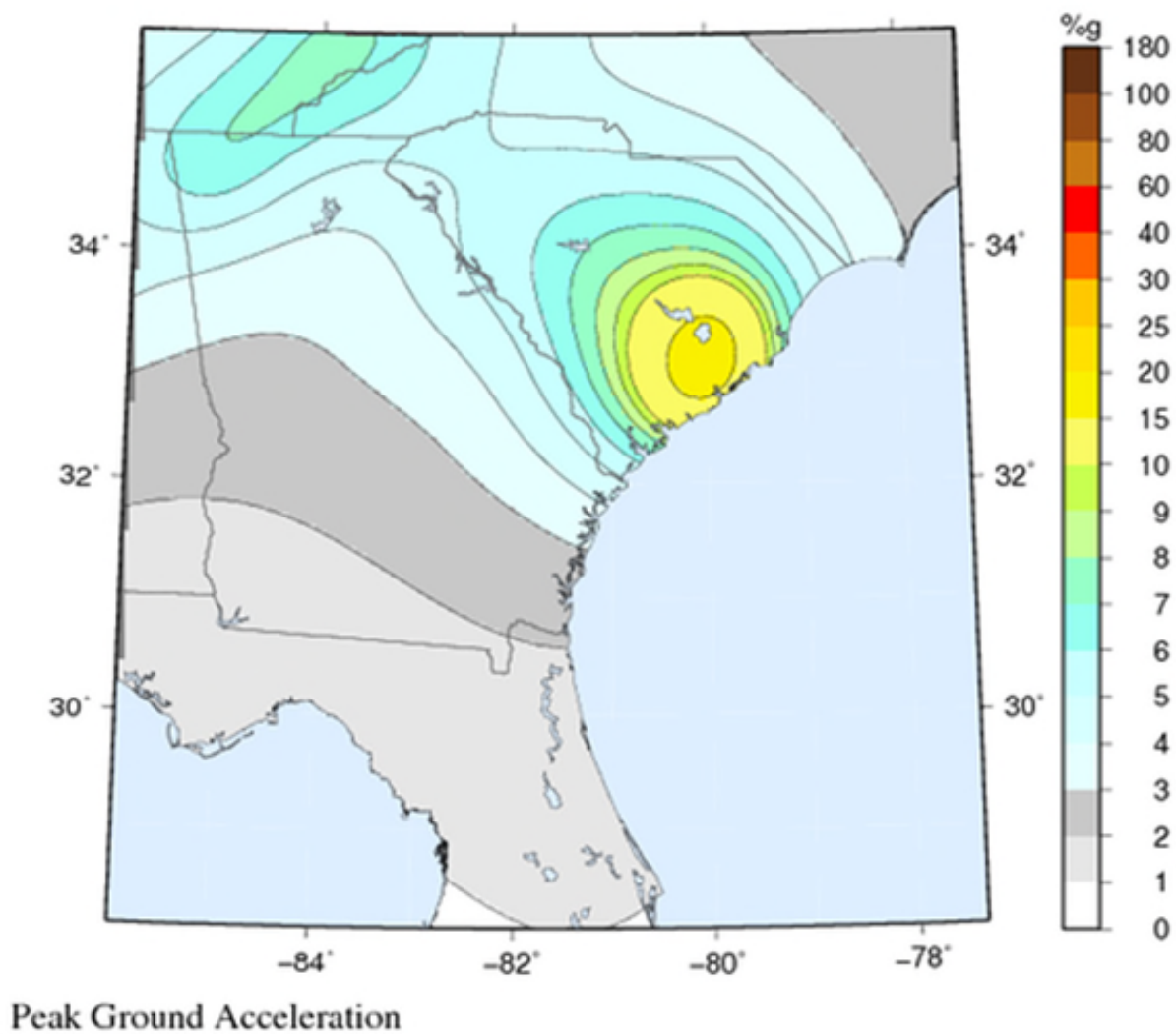
REQUIREMENTS DEFINITION

Disaster Risk Assessment (DRA)

Disaster Risk Assessment (DRA) Process

- Assemble a comprehensive library of risk factors
- Collect and analyze data from multiple sources
 - Perceptions
 - Government and industry authorities
 - Historical experiences
 - Observation
 - Other research
- Assign ratings for Probability and appropriate Impact categories
- Calculate inherent risk
- Appropriately integrate mitigation considerations
- Document conclusions *and* rationale

Custom Hazard Map



DRA Sample

Threat Factor	Probability (High, Medium, Low, or None)	Speed of Onset R = Rapid G = Gradual	Impact Ratings (High, Medium, Low, or None)				Risk Rating (>60: High risk 41-60: Moderate risk; 21-40: Low risk; 0-20: None or Minimal risk)	Current Mitigation / Preparedness (High, Medium, Low, or None)	Residual Risk Rating (>60: High concern 41-60: Moderate concern; 21-40: Low concern; 0-20: None or Minimal concern)	Threat Rank	Comments
			Staff	Facilities	Systems	Overall / Business					
Human and Proximity Threats											
Transportation Accident (Aircraft, Train, Motor Vehicle, etc.)	L	R	L	M	L	M	30	M	18	31	<p>Risk Factors: The headquarters is located at a major intersection and surrounded by heavy vehicle traffic; However, this does not pose a serious threat of severe physical damage (excluding spills), as traffic speeds are slow. Very few flight paths within the region and the closest railway is over 3 miles from the site.</p> <p>Mitigating Factors: Some staff have the ability to temporarily work from other sites or home in the event of such incidents.</p> <p>Reference: https://skyvector.com/</p>

Risk Mitigation

- Establish formal risk mitigation plans
 - Priorities correlated to risk assessment results
 - Objectives and tasks
 - Responsibilities
 - Timelines
- Monitor progress and publish status reports
- Periodically reevaluate both risks and mitigation

REQUIREMENTS DEFINITION

Business Impact Analysis (BIA)

BIA Process

- Establish the BIA “framework”
 - Impact categories
 - Impact rating criteria and thresholds
- Assemble a comprehensive inventory of business functions
- Assess each function using the established framework
- Identify and evaluate technical requirements

Business Impact Analysis— Recovery Time Objective (RTO)



Technical Requirements

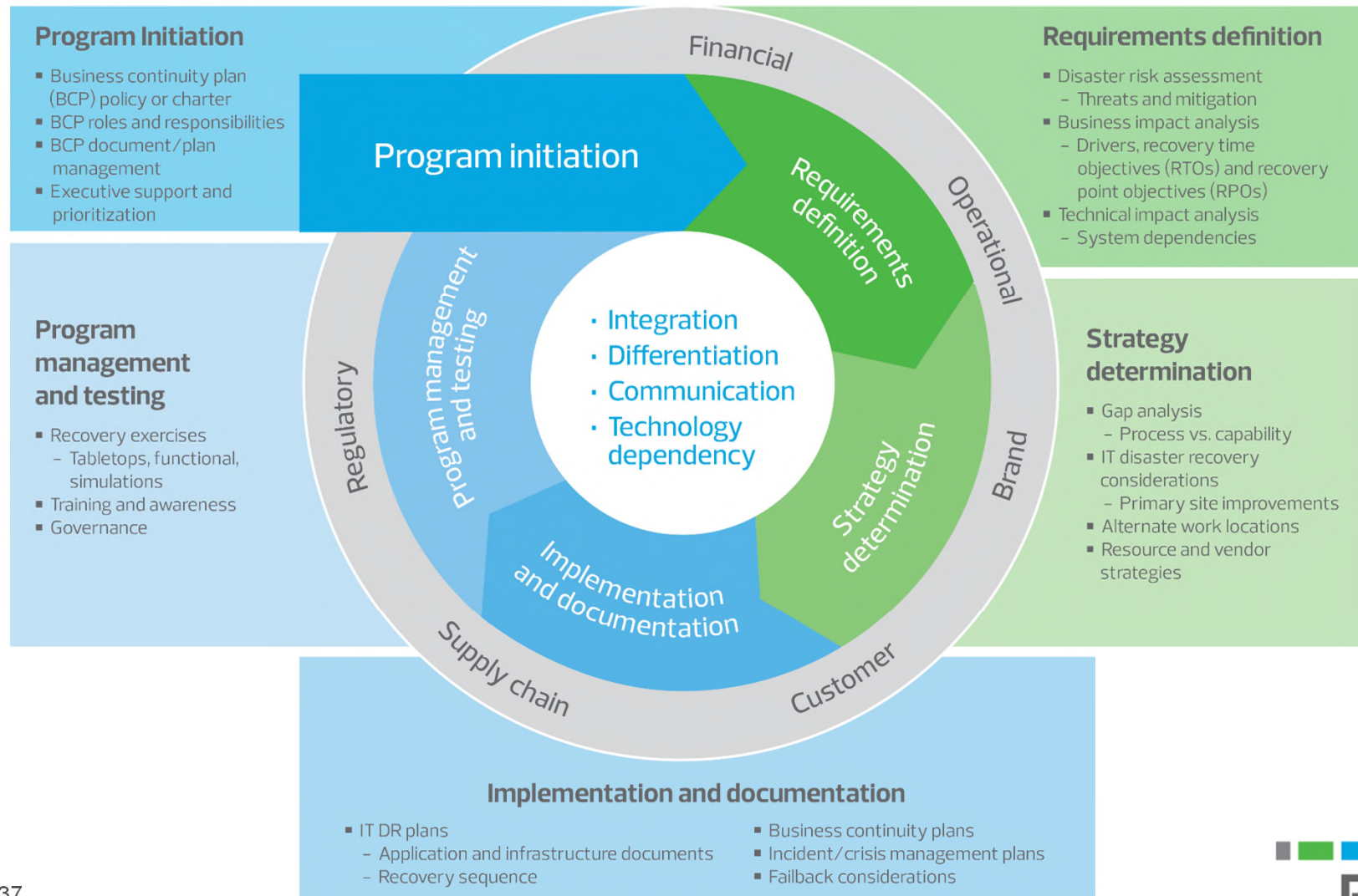
- Identify the key technical applications or services that are required to perform each function
- Individually evaluate the criticality of each system
- Determine the RTO of each system *requirement*
- Validate the data loss tolerance or Recovery Point Objective (RPO) of each system

BIA Sample

Business Function (Name/Description)	Functional RTO (Days)	Disruption Duration	Impact Ratings					System Dependencies		Comments/Rationale
			Customer Service (H/M/L)	Operations (H/M/L)	Financial (H/M/L)	Legal/ Regulatory (H/M/L)	Human Well-Being (H/M/L)	System Requirements	System RTO (Days)	
Accounts Payable Managing payments made to vendors for products and services rendered to the Company.	14	1 Day or Less	L	L	L	L	L	G/L System	21	The Company stays current with outstanding payments and vendors would likely provide extensions as needed. However, after 2 weeks, the Company would be at risk of losing access to critical products and services. Manual (check) payments could be made temporarily without access to required systems.
		2-3 Days	L	L	L	L	L	Internet – Bank Website	21	
		4-7 Days	L	L	L	L	L			
		8-14 Days	L	M	L	L	L			
		14+ Days	L	H	M	M	L			
Payroll Processing Calculating and remitting salary payments to the Company's employees. Includes retaining and distributing funds for benefits and other payments.	3	1 Day or Less	L	L	L	L	L	HRIS	14	If the Company was more than 3 days late distributing payroll, employees may encounter significant hardships and potentially may cease their activities. For a single pay cycle, temporary (estimated) payments could be distributed in the absence of automated systems. Manual checks could be issued for two pay cycles.
		2-3 Days	L	M	M	L	M	Internet – Bank Website	28	
		4-7 Days	M	M	M	M	H	G/L System	28	
		8-14 Days	M	H	H	M	H			
		14+ Days	H	H	H	H	H			

STRATEGY DETERMINATION

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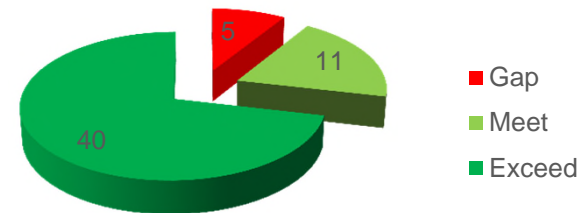
Recovery Strategy Coverage Areas

- Technology
 - Hardware, software, and data
 - Voice and data communication
 - Third-party systems and interfaces
- Facilities
 - Workspace
 - Data center(s)
 - Specialized sites (secure areas, lobbies, meeting rooms, etc.)
- Specialized equipment and other resources
- Operational workarounds and transfers
- Technical assistance and general staffing
- Crisis communication

Recovery Strategy Gap Analysis

- Map BIA Requirements to Current/Planned Strategies
- Determine Current/Planned Capabilities
 - Realistic/Valid Timelines
 - Timing From Initial Disruption
 - Foundation for Estimates
 - Interdependency Considerations
 - Predecessors
 - Restoration Capacity
- Include a Formal Gap Analysis
- Identify Enhancement Requirements

System RTO Gaps



Basic Recovery Strategy Options

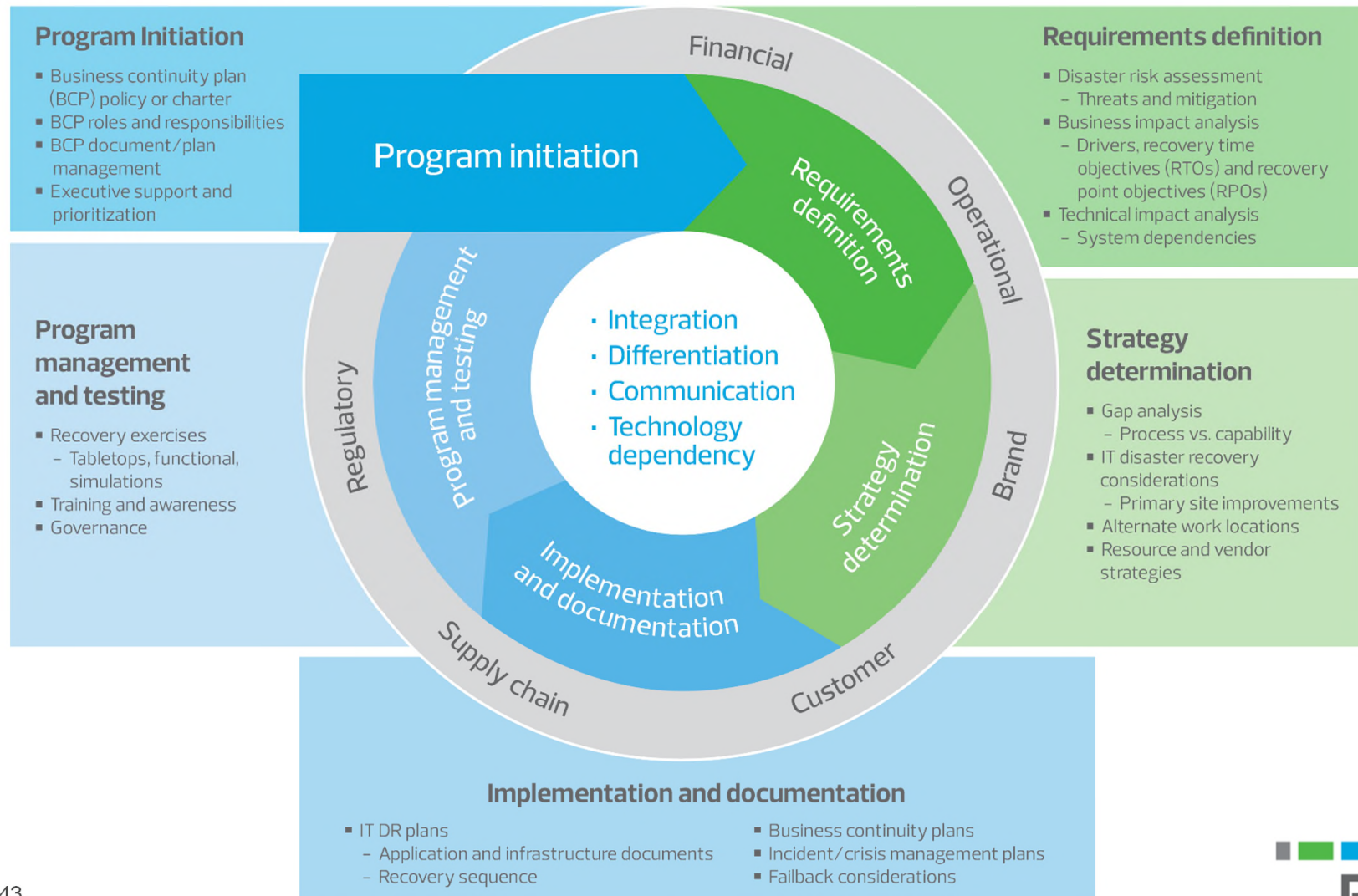
- Internal Resources
- Specialized Vendors/Services
- Business Partners
- Public Resources
- Acquire/Address As Needed

Vendor Continuity Management Program

- Risk-rate ALL suppliers and services-providers
 - Different than other vendor risk assessments
 - Rating based on their impact to the continuity of your operations
 - Consider criticality of product/service, portability, etc.
 - Include technology providers
- Evaluate vendor continuity capabilities based on the assigned risk rating
 - Evaluation frequency
 - Evaluation criteria
- Proactively remediate and validate deficiencies

IMPLEMENTATION AND DOCUMENTATION

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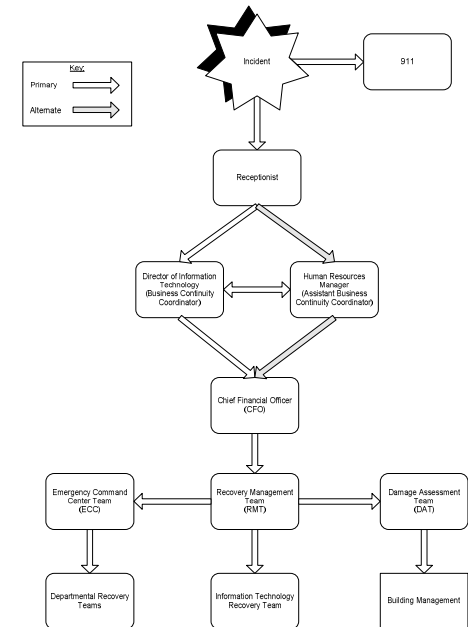


BCP Manual – Structure and Format

- Defined, consistent, and logical
- Should facilitate (or even mimic) a recovery effort
- Supported by a detailed table of contents or even chapter summaries
- Segregates administrative and overview sections from actionable recovery plans
- Includes team-specific sections/plans (“playbooks”)

Recovery Coordination Teams

- Discovery and notification
- BCP activation
 - Broad disaster identification/detection options
 - Clear communication and escalation channels
 - Defined roles and alternates
 - Summary graphic and detailed narrative
 - Defined activation criteria
 - Correlation to other portions of the BCP



Recovery Coordination Teams continued

- Initial evaluation and escalation
- Damage assessment
- Internal and external communication
- Coordination with external parties
- Coordination with other internal processes
- Priority determination
- Strategy selection and allocation
- Overall recovery coordination
- Recovery process tracking and administration

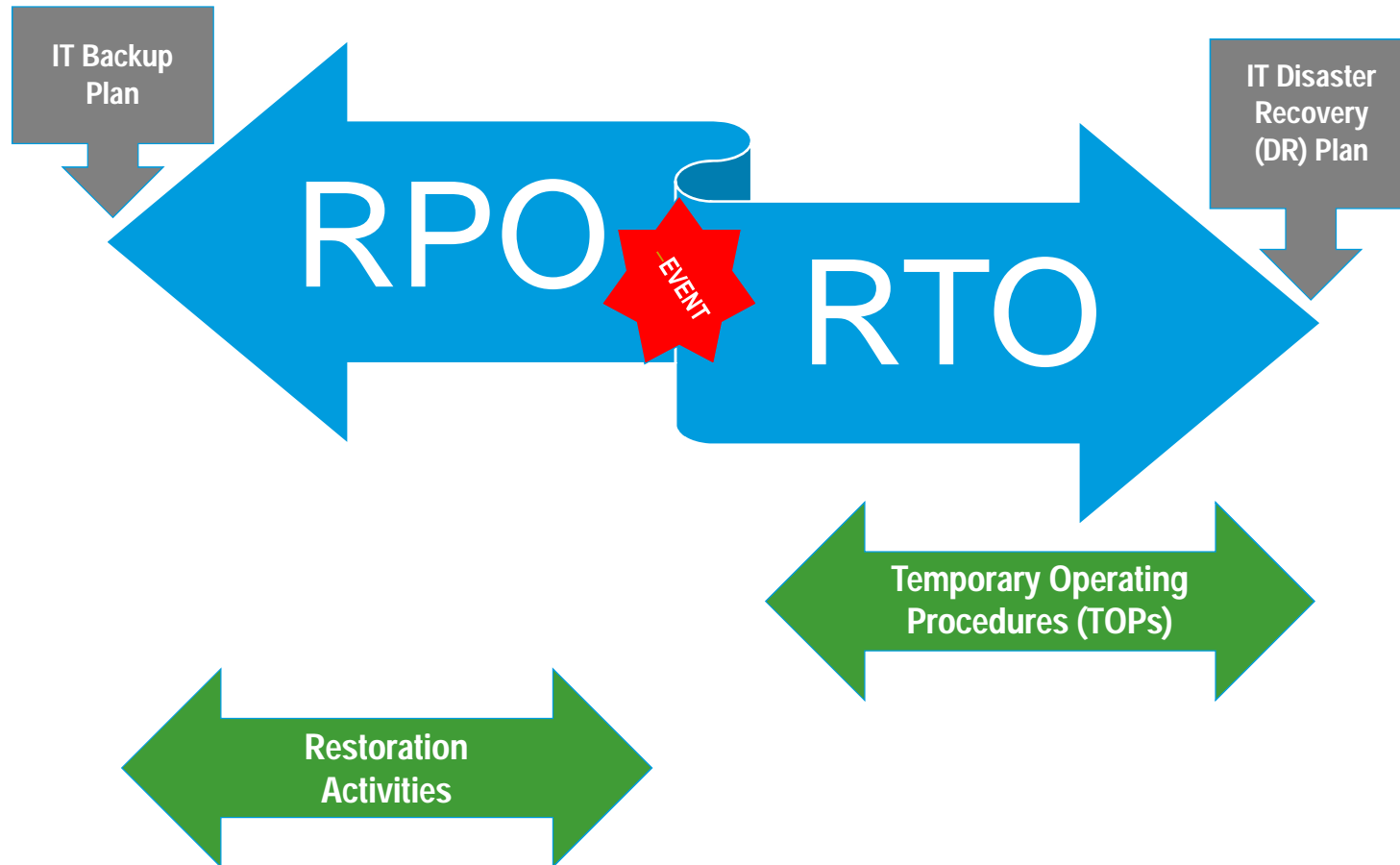
Departmental Business Resumption Plans (BRPs)

- Team/department overview
 - Ongoing (“normal”) responsibilities
 - Disaster responsibilities
- Departmental recovery strategies
 - Facilities/workspace
 - Technology
 - Personnel
 - Other
- Team assignments (including alternates)
- Business functions and priorities/RTOs
- External resource requirements (schedule)

Departmental BRPs continued

- Internal resources requirements
 - Quantity over time (schedule)
 - Source (including off-site storage)
- Administrative/common recovery tasks
- **Custom recovery tasks**
- Reference materials
 - Contact lists
 - Resource inventories
 - User manuals
 - Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)
 - Configuration specs or parameters
 - Other
- Other miscellaneous sections, such as:
 - Interdependency diagrams
 - Vital records list

Custom Recovery Tasks continued



IT Disaster Recovery Plans (DRPs)

- Overview and scope
- Team assignments (including alternates)
- Recovery priorities and RTOs
- Recovery strategy or strategies
- Resource requirements
 - Quantity
 - Specs
 - Source
 - Location
 - Other

- Technical restoration tasks
 - Restoration
 - Configuration
 - Validation
- Interdependencies and other considerations
- Reference materials
 - Contact lists
 - Diagrams
 - Inventories
 - Addresses and settings
 - Administration and support procedures
 - Other

Pandemic Response Plans

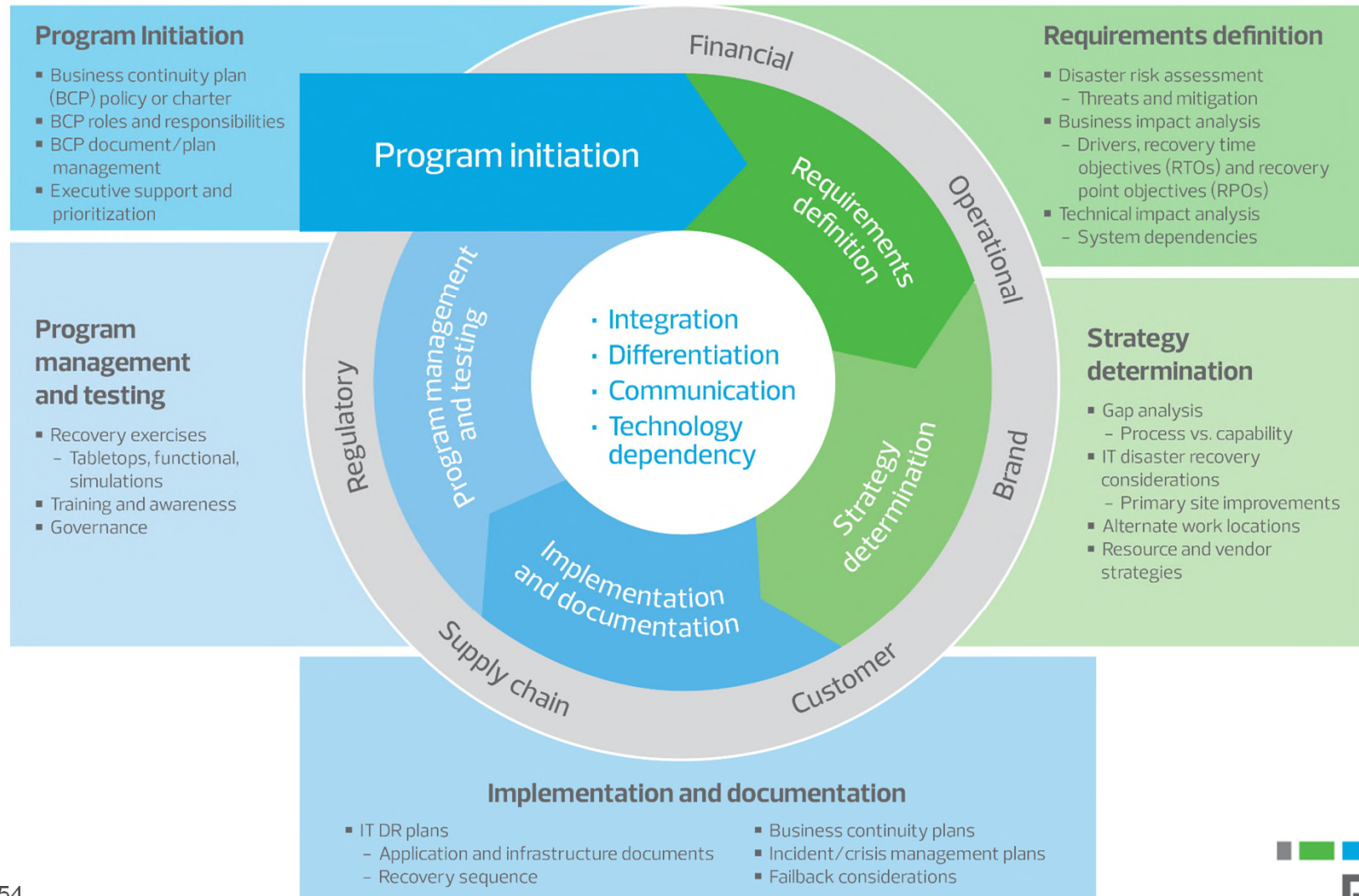
“Recognized variation from traditional BCPs”

- Little or no impact on facilities, technology, etc.
- Major impacts on staffing, customers, vendors, etc.
- Leverage and integrate with crisis management plans
- Consider:
 - Prevention and containment
 - Monitoring
 - Escalation and de-escalation
 - Personnel (HR) policies
 - Demand variations
 - Operational priorities and scaling



PROGRAM MANAGEMENT AND TESTING

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Testing & Training – Initial Activities

- Train personnel on the overall BCP and their specific recovery roles
- Implement recovery strategies
- Perform initial testing—typically walk-through exercises:
 - Verify the BCP is accurate, adequate and usable
 - Validate effectiveness of recovery strategies
 - Allow participants to experience key recovery processes and practice their roles
 - Identify weaknesses and opportunities to enhance the Plan
- Establish an ongoing BCP program

BCP Training Program

- Key positions need to develop and maintain familiarity with their role and key BCP components
 - Document structure and navigation
 - Teams and responsibilities
 - Activation and escalation procedures
 - Recovery priorities and outage tolerances
 - Core recovery strategies
- All staff should be aware of the BCP Program and key concepts
 - New-hire training
 - Ongoing awareness initiatives
- Goal is to understand the BCP – not memorize it

BCP Testing Program – Best Practices

- Avoids repetition
 - Varies test type, scope, scenario, participants, timing, etc.
- Considers realistic and unpredictable disaster circumstances
 - Adds realism to the events
- Elevates complexity and expands scope over time
- Evaluates and documents/reports all tests and any actual activations
- Considers all tests collectively to determine BCP status and identify additional testing requirements

Basic Test Schedule

- Rolling 24-month calendar
- Specific vs. approximate information
 - Timing
 - Test type
 - Participants
- Gain approval and commitment
- Maintain and adjust as needed

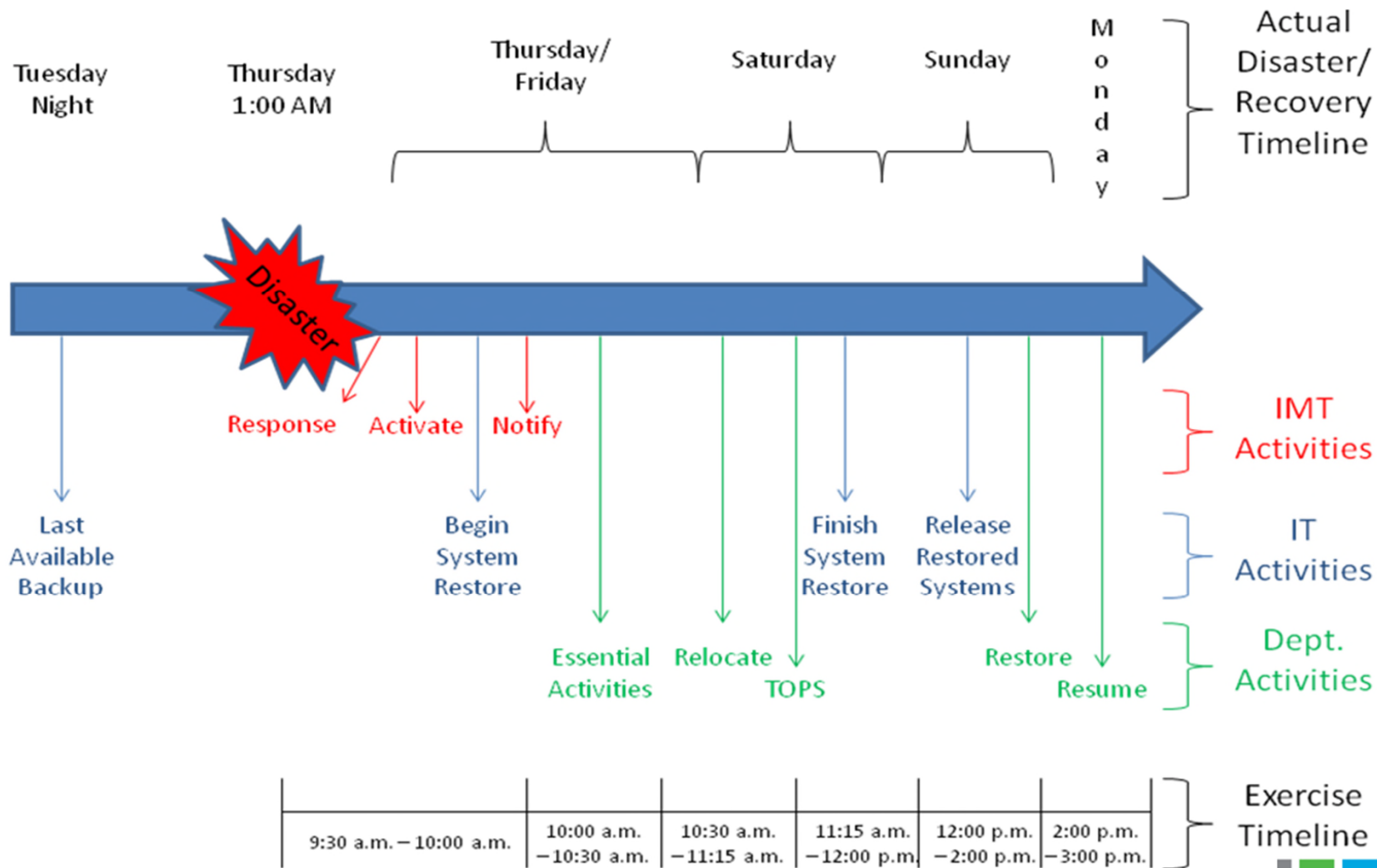
Enhanced Test Schedule

- Test scope and objectives to be achieved
- BCP objectives to be exercised
- Disaster scenario to be simulated
 - Type
 - Timing
 - Impact
- Participant roles
- Constraints or other variables

Disaster Scenario

- Correlate to BCP objectives and test objectives
- Outline realistic characteristics and circumstances
- Derive from DRA, relevant research, etc.
- Integrate unfolding circumstances
- Vary type, timing, impact, duration, constraints, etc.

Disaster Scenario – Timeline (Example)



Test Results and Actions

- Test evaluation
 - Pre-defined objectives
 - Feedback from participants, evaluators, etc.
 - Adherence to test plan
 - Adherence to BCP
- Test reporting
- Enhancement/remediation plan
 - Correlated to test results
 - Designated responsibilities
 - Defined timelines
- Monitoring and follow-up testing

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS?

CONCLUSIONS/ WRAP-UP

Key Elements of an *Effective* BCP Program

- Solid organizational commitment
 - Management visibly endorses the risk mitigation and recovery planning initiative
- Effective risk management
 - Disaster risks are identified and sound mitigation measures have been implemented
- Thorough BIA
 - Disruption impacts are evaluated and recovery requirements and priorities are determined

Key Elements of an *Effective* BCP Program continued

- Viable recovery strategies
 - Techniques for achieving critical recovery objectives are defined and fully implemented
- Documented recovery plan
 - Recovery processes are defined, responsibilities assigned and reference information is available
- Effective plan deployment
 - The current plan is distributed to appropriate individuals
 - Obsolete materials are collected
 - Participants remain knowledgeable of their role and the overall recovery process

Key Elements of an *Effective* BCP Program continued

- Plan testing and maintenance
 - Realistic exercises are conducted to confirm plan accuracy, prepare participants to respond and identify enhancement opportunities
 - The plan is updated on a defined schedule and whenever the organization, operation and/or environment changes

Key Elements of an *Efficient* BCP Program

- Established goals and objectives
- Clear roles and responsibilities
- Defined standards, methodologies, and techniques
- Ongoing and regular collaboration
- Proficient resource utilization
- Useful and productive tools
- Formal reporting and monitoring
- Regular evaluation and constructive feedback
- Continuous refinement

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