



Manitoba Infrastructure – Municipality Workshop BCP Exercise - Cyber

Exercise Guidelines

- The exercise of your Business Continuity plan is a legislated requirement and must occur as part of the ongoing business continuity planning cycle
- Simple plan reviews, exercises and scenario discussions provide ideal opportunities to assess the readiness and response capability of your Incident Response team to known vulnerabilities
- You are encouraged to use these highly customizable exercise templates, based on your understanding of the hazards and vulnerabilities that may compromise your critical functions
- You are welcome to have your BCP Coordinator customize and facilitate this exercise with you
- Lessons learned from these exercises should be incorporated into your updated BCP

Scenario

- In the early morning, your computers become glitchy and unresponsive
- Suddenly a cryptic notice appears on your screens, advising you that your system and files are locked
- The notice also advises that your files will be released upon payment of bitcoin to a known hacktivist
- Calls to your vendor do not help
- You are unsure of your next steps

Assumptions

- You have a full complement of staff in your building(s)
- You are using the latest computer system, servers and anti-virus software
- Your IT staff person is unavailable to advise you

Questions

- Review your existing BCP – are your Critical Functions compromised? Why, or why not?
- Do you need to activate your continuity plan?
- What are your immediate and near-term actions – and why?
- What additional preparedness measures are warranted that will strengthen your BCP?