

Pandemic Flu Business Assessment



A program of the Institute for Business & Home Safety

The Institute for Business & Home Safety (IBHS) is cautioning businesses and nonprofit organizations to examine their ability to operate in the event of a flu pandemic. Evaluating specific risks and planning well beforehand for a variety of potential emergencies that could disrupt day-to-day business is critical, no matter how big or small a company may be.

Are you concerned that your normal business operations might be interrupted by a flu pandemic?

YES NO UNSURE

Are your vital records protected and accessible from alternative work locations, e.g. employees' homes?

YES NO UNSURE

Have you reviewed current sick leave and vacation policy to determine if any changes are necessary to meet the demands of a flu pandemic?

YES NO UNSURE

Have you considered how the disruption of travel, meetings or conferences might affect your business?

YES NO UNSURE

Have you determined the minimal level at which your business could operate (e.g. staff, resources)?

YES NO UNSURE

Have you considered alternatives if your current suppliers cannot deliver or your customer base is affected by the flu pandemic?

YES NO UNSURE

Do you have plans to stay open for business, even if you and your employees must work from home or other locations?

YES NO UNSURE

Have you worked with your community—public officials and other businesses—to prepare for a flu pandemic?

YES NO UNSURE

If your employees needed to operate from home, do they have the necessary telecommunications and computer capacity to function?

YES NO UNSURE

SELF-ASSESSMENT RESULTS

SCORE EXPLANATIONS

Your score indicates how well prepared you are for the disruption caused by the pandemic flu.

7-9 Yes: You are well on your way

4-6 Yes: You have lots of work to do

1-3 Yes: You should get started immediately

Visit DisasterSafety.org/Business_Protection to begin your business continuity and preparedness plan or call 1-866-657-IBHS (4247) for more information.

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