BCM Program Development

Course Description:

The BCM Program Development course provides you with knowledge to develop an auditable and actionable business continuity program for your organization. This course is the critical starting point to developing a program that can be certified by BS 25999 parts 1 and 2.

The course begins with overview of the business continuity management program development process with a focus on gaining executive support as demonstrated by policy development. It also includes a review of the regulations that drive much of BCM program development as well as project management strategies related to business continuity planning.

BCM Program Development focuses on Stage 1 of the BCM Lifecycle: BCM Program Management and Professional Practice 1: Project Initiation and Management. Embedded into the course are the essential elements of BS 25999 Parts 1 and 2 – Phase 1: Initiating the Business Continuity Program.

BCM Program Development is the starting point for professionals interested in either developing a career in Business Continuity Management, seeking certification, or for those professionals responsible for developing a business continuity program for their organization.

Student case study materials include the Institute for Home and Business Safety's (www.ibhs.org) Open for Business Toolkit – a toolkit available to you for free as part of taking this course – a bonus takeaway available from ICOR!

Activities and case studies are included throughout the course and are designed as knowledge checks and reinforcement of key concepts and will provide participants with hands-on interactive activities that will enable you to become familiar with and apply these principles immediately in your job. You will leave with the tools to enhance the visibility and reach of your organization's BCM program.

In addition, practice exam questions are included as part of the course to prepare you for both the DRII Qualifying Exam and the ICOR BCM Specialist Exam.

As a result of completing this course, you will be able to:
- Build a case on the importance of business continuity planning to every organization.
- Identify business continuity program elements.
- Explain why teams outperform individuals in the handling of a crisis or disaster.
- Describe how to get and keep senior management support for the BCM program.

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Delivery Structure

BCM Program Development is a one-day instructor led course. It can also be taken as a self-study course. This course is the first course in Module 1 of the Essentials of Business Continuity Management series.

Certification and Accreditation

Become a Business Continuity Management Professional (BCMP). This course is one step towards earning this certification. BCM Program Development is worth .7 CEUs or 7 hours of credit.

In addition, it prepares the participant for the DRII Qualifying Exam necessary for certification as a business continuity planner from DRI International (DRII) and contributes to the educational component necessary for certification by the Business Continuity Institute (BCI).

With BS25999 parts 1 and pars 2 hailed as an important step allowing companies to demonstrate their ability to cope with major threats; as well as provide a management systems approach to business continuity management, this course provides you with what you need to develop a program that complies with these certification standards.

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Essentials of BCM was developed by BCS, Inc., a consulting firm specializing in providing business continuity, disaster recovery, & crisis management training & consulting.
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