# **Disaster Recovery:**

Perform an Effective Business Impact Assessment

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### **UNC Healthcare System**



Integrated, not-for-profit health care system, owned by the State of North Carolina and based in Chapel Hill.

Promotes the health and wellbeing of North Carolinians through:

- Comprehensive patient care
- Physician education
- Research excellence



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### The Situation

- Internal Audit requested an updated Disaster Recovery Framework and Business Impact Analysis (BIA).
- Incomplete application catalog with minimal tiering
- No input from operations on current tiering
- Complete tiering information needed for budget planning



## The Partnership

### Why UNCHS engaged Himformatics:

- Significant legwork to obtain operational input
- Objective 3<sup>rd</sup> party for operational meetings beneficial for unbiased feedback
- Himformatics has experience in disaster recovery, survey processes, and data analysis

U	NCHS	Himformatics
•	Brad Wright: IT Director of IT Service	Tammy Brown, Project Manager
	Management	Team included a financial analyst and a
•	Disaster Recovery Manager	business continuity subject matter expert
•	DR Coordinator	



### Himformatics

- Founded January 2002 and privately held.
- ~70 Associates plus subcontractors.
- Academic medical centers, children's hospitals, large IDNs, and community hospitals.

Focus is on strategy and planning, helping our clients tackle complex healthcare problems through the use of information technology.

### **Core Competencies**

- Strategic Advisory Services
- Assessments
- Program and Project
   Management
- Workflow and Operational Improvement
- Implementation Planning and Design
- Informatics
- Vendor Selections, Contract Review & Negotiations





# **SECTION 2: APPROACH**



## The Approach

- Two phases designed to ensure operational stakeholder feedback drives recommendations.
- Multiple "waves" for ~400 applications during Phase 2.





### Phase 2 Wave Process By Department



### Waves Timeline

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### Survey Content

- Surveyed each department about which timeframe the following impacts occur for each application:
  - Patient Care
  - Revenue Cycle
  - Productivity Loss
  - Regulatory
- Asked leaders to indicate the maximum tolerable downtime for each application:
  - <=4 hours</p>
  - 4-24 hours
  - 24-72 hours
  - >=72 hours



## Example Survey Results

			Imp	acts	
Drug Dispensing Systems	Max Tolerable Downtime	Patient Care	Revenue Cycle	Productiv ity Loss	Regulato ry
N/A	N/A	0%	0%	0%	0%
<= 4 hours	56%	100%	11%	67%	71%
4 to 24 hours	44%	0%	45%	33%	28%
24 to 72 hours	0%	0%	33%	0%	0%
>72 hours	0%	0%	11%	0%	0%
<b>Total Responses</b>	9	9	9	9	7



## **Tier Prioritization Factors**

Tier Prioritization Factors	Notes
Maximum Tolerable Downtime	Interview discussions identified existing downtime procedures, if any, that would make downtime more tolerable
<ul> <li>Impacts</li> <li>Patient Care</li> <li>Revenue Cycle</li> <li>Productivity</li> <li>Regulatory</li> </ul>	Considered patient care impact most important on survey responses
IT Application Manager Feedback	Reviewed results to validate and refine
<b>Operational Manager Feedback</b>	Reviewed recommendations to validate and refine





# **SECTION 3: KEY FINDINGS**



## Survey and Interview Summary

Survey Overview									
Demographics	Count	Percentage							
Invitations Unopened	112	26%							
Invitations Opened	324	74%							
Total Surveys Sent	438	100%							
Survey Completed	262	60%							
Survey Not Completed	174	40%							



Interview OverviewDemographicsCountPercentageOperational Leader Participation29461%No Participation19039%



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## Key Findings

### Some applications are used by multiple departments:

- Himformatics considered data from all areas to make recommendations.
- Recommendations made at the enterprise level for all entities.

<b>Biomed Applications</b>	ISD	Survey	Recommendation
Nursing	NR	2	2
Biomed	NR	2	2
Facilities	NR	4	2

### **Operational Summaries:**

- Provided recommendations to each department/group.
- One department disagreed with some of recommendations.
- Follow-up meetings to discuss.



# Example Application Dashboard

DACS			ISD Tier	Survey Tier	Recommended				
PACS			1	1/2	1				
<ul> <li>Interview Details:</li> <li>No radiology interpretations will go out</li> <li>4-24 hours not reasonable</li> <li>New downtime system not implemented yet</li> <li>Historically used a test system for backup, have not had to use in the past</li> <li>Has never had a downtime more than four hours</li> </ul>									
			Im	pacts					
Number of Facilities	Max Tolerable Downtime	Patient Care	Revenue Cycle	Productivity Loss	Regulatory Impacts				
4	<=4 hours 4-24 hours	<=4 hours	<=4 hours 4-24 hours	<=4 hours	N/A				
Considerations: <ul> <li>Used at more thar</li> <li>Delays reads which</li> </ul>	n three facilities n can cause a delay in p	atient care and produc	ctivity loss within fo	ur hours					



### **Example Department Financial Impact**

Hospital	1	2	3	4	5	6
Daily Revenue	\$40,000	\$734,000	\$300,000	\$350,000	\$1,403,051	\$212,800
FTEs	12	132	100	35	368	52
Total FTE Salary	\$588,000	\$11,230,164	\$5,000,000	\$1,750,000	\$26,326,720	\$3,452,800
Hourly Revenue Impact	\$1,667	\$30,583	\$12,500	\$14,583	\$58,460	\$8,867
Hourly Resource Cost Impact	\$67	\$1,281	\$570	\$200	\$3,004	\$394

**Daily Downtime Cost** 

#### **Hourly Downtime Cost**



#### **Monthly Downtime Cost**



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#### Average Salary represents fully burdened costs as provided by department.

## Example Interview Comments

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**Patient Safety** 

**Staffing or Workflow** 





# SECTION 4: RESULTS & INITIAL RECOMMENDATIONS



## **Application Summary**

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## **Results & Tier Recommendations**

Initially Non Rated Applications

Tier Recommendation	#	%
Tier 1	14	18.2%
Tier 2	27	35.1%
Tier 3	21	27.3%
Tier 4	10	13.0%
?	5	6.5%
Total	77	100%

Prior Tier						
ISD Initial Tier	#	%				
Tier 1	14	20.9%				
Tier 2	26	38.8%				
Tier 3	8	11.9%				
Tier 4	5	7.5%				
NR	14	20.9%				
Total	67	100%				



 Of the 77 Not-Rated Applications, 53% are recommended at Tiers 1 and 2.



## Number of Changes by Department/Group





### **Applications Quadrant - Example**

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# **SECTION 5: FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS**



### Hardware Assessment

### While BIA was being conducted:

- Servers were mapped to applications they supported
- Standards were finalized for tier requirements

### **Following BIA:**

- Gap analysis was conducted based on tiering
- Focused on hardware only (Software HA out of scope)
- Assigned costs based on server and storage needs



### Hardware Assessment



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## Reduce List of Tier 1 Applications

### Of the 87 recommended Tier 1 applications, 46 largely departmental.

- Impact to the department was significant
- Overall hospital impact less significant
- Designated as "2+" in slides; they would be recovered first from that tier

### 41 applications presented with costs to Operational Governance group.

- Leaders chose to further refine the list
- Challenged departmental leaders offline
- Settled on 19 applications that were unilaterally approved



### Final Cost Assessment

- 120 of 330 applications do not meet recovery objectives for defined tier.
- DR budgeting over the next three years is needed to provide appropriate hardware for systems recoverability.

### Infrastructure Costs Required to Close the Disaster Recovery Gaps (n=120)

# Apps	Total Costs
19	\$1.9M
14	\$0.3M
50	\$2.1M
26	\$1.0M
11	\$0.2M
120	<u>\$5.5M</u>
	# Apps 19 14 50 26 11 120





## Final Tier 1 List

- UNCHC's Enterprise Electronic Health Record (EHR)
- Radiology PACS used for various imaging modalities (e.g., DR, CT, MRI, Mammo, U/S, etc.)
- UNC REX's instance of their radiology information system
- Cardiology PACS used for (e.g. Cath, EP, Stress, Echo, PVL, etc.)
- Integrated imaging viewer
- Enterprise drug dispensing system
- Middleware between lab instruments and Lab EHR

- Point of Care (POC) integration and data flow into Enterprise EHR
- Labor & Delivery monitoring solution
- Materials management & core financials
- HR/Financial/Purchasing payroll system
- Integration application for networked and standalone medical devices with Enterprise EHR
- Transmission of electronic prescriptions
- Management of glucometers and interfaces Point of Care results to LIS
- Endoscopy imaging and physician documentation
- Nurse call system

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### **Overall Timeline**









# **QUESTIONS?**

