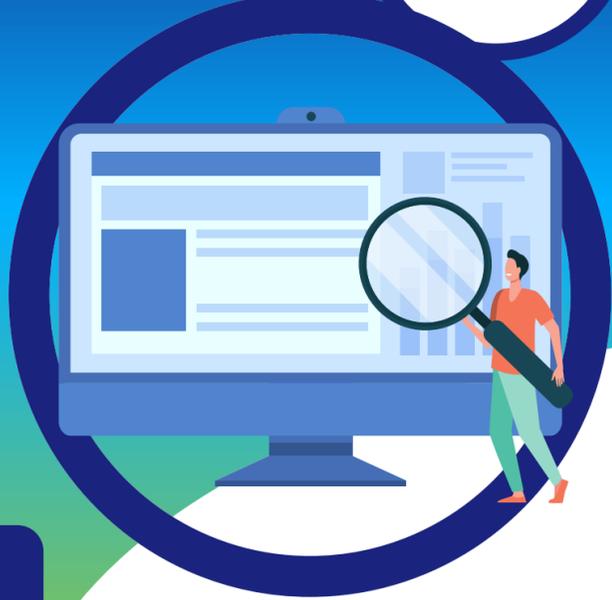# WHY ANNUAL TECHNOLOGY AUDITS ARE ESSENTIAL

Before making key budgeting decisions, it is critical to understand your company's most pressing concerns, particularly those affecting security, compliance and backup solutions.

Regular IT audits can help you with this.

An IT audit is a thorough analysis and evaluation of an organization's information technology infrastructure, policies and procedures.

IMPORTANCE OF TECHNOLOGY AUDITS

An IT audit helps bridge security gaps and detect vulnerabilities before they are exposed.

AN IT AUDIT FULFILLS THE FOLLOWING 5 OBJECTIVES[1]

1 Scrutinizes existing systems and processes for data protection

2 Assesses the risks to an organization's information assets

3 Identifies approaches for reducing data-security risks

4 Ensures that information management practices are in accordance with applicable laws, regulations and standards

5 Detects inefficiencies in IT systems and management

FOR SECURITY
Auditing your technology can assist you in defending your company against the ever-changing cyberthreat landscape.

FOR BACKUP
Auditing your backups ensures you have a fail-proof backup strategy in place so that your data is safe and easy to retrieve following a cyber incident.

FOR COMPLIANCE
A tech audit can assist you in determining whether or not you are in compliance with your industry's regulations.

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN AN AUDIT?

Planning
During the audit planning phase, critical background information is gathered in order to identify risks and define the audit's objectives, scope, assessment time and reporting.

Reporting
In this phase, a report containing a summary of the audit findings, inferences and specific recommendations is drafted.

Assessment
An assessment gives a better understanding of your organization, its IT network and physical and compliance environments.

Follow-up
The adequacy, efficacy, and timeliness of actions implemented in response to reported observations and recommendations are evaluated during follow-up.

BENEFITS OF REGULAR TECHNOLOGY AUDITS

- Reduces your chances of becoming the victim of a cyberattack
- Aids you in understanding your employees' issues with your current technology infrastructure
- Assists you in determining whether your technology solutions are meeting their objectives
- Helps you in complying with federal and industry regulations
- Improves IT Governance
- Ensures the integrity of your systems
- Enhances Access Control

Conducting a comprehensive technology audit is difficult, time-consuming and may require IT expertise that isn't available in your company. Partnering with an MSP like us can relieve you of the hassle while also offering the peace of mind that comes with third-party verification.

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