

PLAN TO KEEP YOUR
BUSINESS IN BUSINESS!

BUSINESS CONTINUITY

“Business Continuity” means ensuring that essential business functions can survive a natural disaster, technological failure, human error or other disruption.

Many existing business continuity plans anticipate disruptions such as fires, earthquakes, floods; generally these events are restricted to certain geographical areas and in time frames fairly well defined and limited. Pandemic Flu, however demands a different set of continuity assumptions since it will be widely dispersed geographically and potentially arrive



PROTECTING EMPLOYEES HEALTH

Flu is caused by viruses that infect the nose, throat, and lungs and is generally spread from person to person when an infected person coughs, sneezes or accidentally spits when talking.

An effective vaccine, when available, will be the best safeguard against the pandemic.

In addition to that, simple, common sense precautions can also help.

Avoid close contact with people who are sick...if you are sick, keep your distance from others to protect them from getting sick, too.

Stay home when you're sick or have flu-like symptoms...get plenty of rest and check with a health care provider as needed.

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing...it may prevent those around you from getting sick.

Clean your hands...washing your hands often will help protect you against germs. When soap and water are not available, use alcohol based disposable hand wipes or gel sanitizers.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth...germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose or mouth.

Practice other good health habits...get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage stress, drink plenty of fluids, eat nutritious foods and avoid smoking, which may increase the risk of serious consequences if you contract the flu.



in waves that could last several months at a time.

Depending on the flu strain and based on previous pandemics, public health officials project cumulative absentee rates of 25-30% over three to four months. This will include sick employees and those who must care for the sick...FEAR will also impact rates of absenteeism.

