

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY GOVERNANCE, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES



POLICY AND PROCEDURE CHALLENGES

Complex changes can take place very quickly to meet the demands of a business. Policies implemented that are not a part of a holistic approach can miss key activities, fail to address changes in everyday operations and become outdated, in turn making the policies ineffective, or worse, detrimental to the company.

While most organizations have something in place, few have truly effective policies and procedures. Do these ineffective policy symptoms apply to your organization?

- Outdated policies and procedures
- Poorly written (overly broad/too narrow)
- Inconsistent or conflicting policies
- Conflict with business objectives
- Lack of enforcement
- Non-compliance with industry or government regulations

A NECESSARY STEP

As your organization continues to adjust to people, process and technology change, it requires more attention to a cohesive business-facing strategy that is supported by and aligned with business objectives.

An effective and sound IT Governance Policy and Procedure Program addresses compliance requirements such as:

- Sarbanes-Oxley Act (SOX)
- Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (GLBA)
- SSAE-16
- ISO 27000
- COBIT best practices

but, can also provide direction to :

- Mitigate security and legal risks
- Educate users on effective security practices
- Satisfy third parties, customers and stakeholders

THE ACCUME SOLUTION

The Accume team provides a wide range of services in support of a suite that forms a comprehensive IT Governance Program, including:

- **RISK ASSESSMENTS** – Accume can provide you with an assessment of your company's overall IT risk profile, including an analysis of the effectiveness of existing policies and procedures and Information Security Plans.
- **POLICY AND PROCEDURE DEVELOPMENT** – Our professionals can develop and implement a policy and procedure framework based on an analysis of your risk profile, and 'best practices' regarding IT and similar policy and procedure programs. In conjunction with the policy and procedure framework, we can design and develop improved IT and IT-related policy and control standard programs leveraging technology and automation.
- **GOVERNANCE PLANNING** – We can define the governance model to manage the programs going forward. To that end, we can create an implementation plan to effectively build out the developed programs and frameworks and design the accompanying communication plan and education awareness to enhance organization support and commitment.

Accume has a proven methodology for the effective design and implementation of a Policy and Procedure Program and foundational Governance to support such a program. This methodology includes a framework for identifying critical policies and procedures, providing documentation templates, risk profile assessment tools, performance scorecards and management reports.

Talk to us today about how we can help you implement a holistic and manageable program for your company.

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