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Rapidly enabling Windows Virtual Desktop in exceptional times

The current global environment has intensified the need for employees to be able to work remotely. To enable scalable and sustainable remote working, modernized workplace technologies are needed.

Avanade has developed an enablement approach to help our clients equip their employees with the tools to do their jobs, from any location. We have helped clients of all sizes – including the deployment of Microsoft Teams to 1.2 million employees in 7 days.

A roadmap to help you transition

Our remote working program, comprised of three rapid deployment programs: **Windows Virtual Desktop, Microsoft Teams** and **Security** create a highly extensible environment that allows you to quickly scale and adapt to changing business needs.

Our roadmap outlines six dimensions that have proved effective in quickly transitioning to a remote workplace environment:
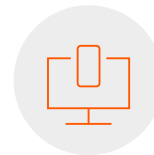
Culture and adoption

Adapt leadership practices while protecting the culture and engagement of your workforce.

Elastic collaboration

Rapidly deploy or extend Teams, SharePoint and OneDrive. Use Workplace Analytics to understand adoption.

Virtual work environment

Evaluate your network, accelerate device deployment and leverage virtual environments such as Microsoft Virtual Desktop to support increased mobile demand.

Seamless networking

Enable reliable and secure remote network connectivity to employees' homes and seamless integration with customers and partners.

Distributed continuity

Enhance business continuity plans to include reduction in workforce, travel restrictions and large-scale remote working environments. Use PowerApps to rapidly fill urgent needs.

Adaptive security

Review Active Directory, System Center for Configuration Management and Intune configuration to empower employees to collaborate, and secure data and users.

Take the first step:

Windows Virtual Desktop can help you make it easier for your employees to work remotely, with a similar remote desktop experience that mirrors their current one. Our approach starts with an assessment, that evaluates your organization and prioritizes areas to focus on. The program includes the following:

Rapid deployment of:
- End user software supporting Office 365, OneDrive and SharePoint file sharing in a secure manner.
- Additional components like applications, a virtualized image and other optional components.
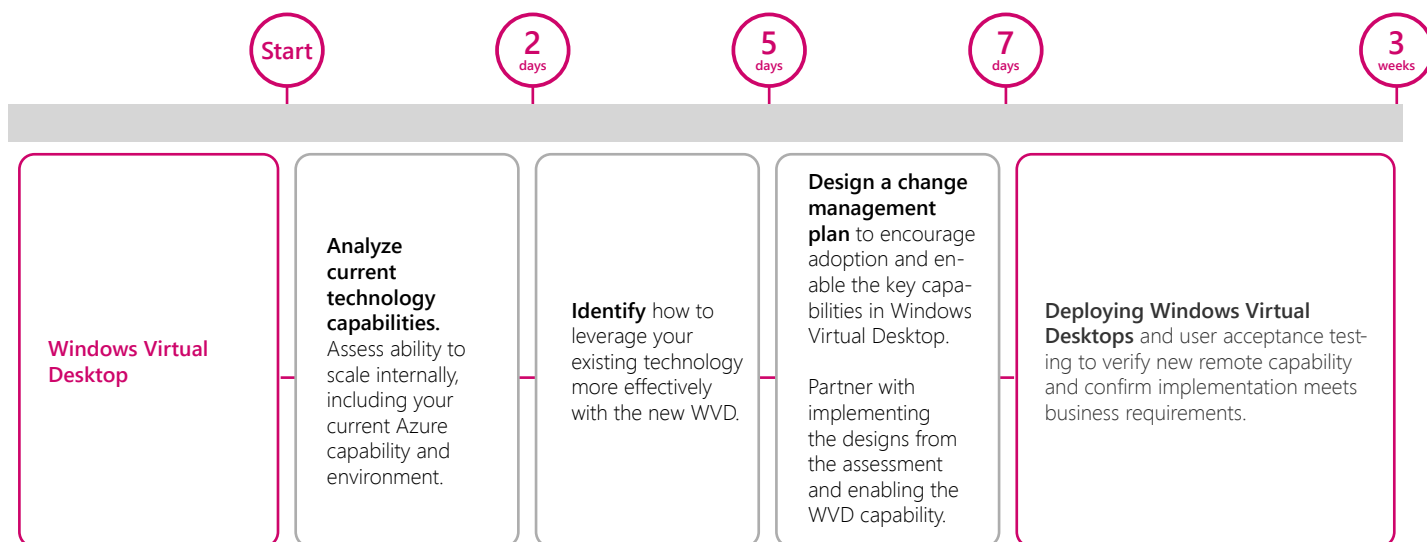
Experienced practitioners to:
- Review existing deployments, usage patterns, provisioning, management infrastructure and tools.
- Help you manage the risks/trade-offs.
- Provide guidance around the durability of the accelerated approach and managing the service post-crisis and during the recovery period.

Training
- End user training on how to quickly use virtual desktops to perform their key tasks.
- Receive quick and targeted training to make it easier for employees to make use the basic functionality.

A rapid 3-week deployment plan

Speed and stability are critical, so our programs have been designed as part of a fixed duration – below is a typical delivery timeline. It includes an accelerated plan with design, build and test capability. Outputs include a mobilized workforce with increased adoption, customized training, adoption strategies, a recovery plan, plus full integration with Power Platform.

Start	2 days	5 days	7 days	3 weeks

Windows Virtual Desktop

Analyze current technology capabilities. Assess ability to scale internally, including your current Azure capability and environment.

Identify how to leverage your existing technology more effectively with the new WVD.

Design a change management plan to encourage adoption and enable the key capabilities in Windows Virtual Desktop.

Partner with implementing the designs from the assessment and enabling the WVD capability.

Deploying Windows Virtual Desktops and user acceptance testing to verify new remote capability and confirm implementation meets business requirements.

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