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Overcoming cultural challenges to achieve resilience through BCP

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1. Objectives

Discussion of the biggest challenges to implementing a Business Continuity Program and plans.

Explaining how these challenges have been met.

Sharing a vision of how Business Continuity can improve resilience in the Caribbean region.

2. Key Messages

Culture impacts the success or failure of Business Continuity Planning.

Major events can change cultural norms regarding Business Continuity Planning.

Awareness programs can support beliefs that Business Continuity is important.

3. Recommendations and Conclusions

Address the culture and relevant beliefs that can impact the success of a Business Continuity Program.

Share lessons learned following actual events to increase awareness of program importance and to improve Business Continuity Plans.

More regional forums such as this can have a positive impact on developing a resilient culture that is proactive in planning for all types of hazards that impact the region.

4. Vision for Caribbean with BC

The Caribbean should be a center of excellence for Business Continuity Planning.

We have survived many natural disasters and if we can channel those lessons learned into the development of plans that will facilitate quicker and more effective response and recovery we will be able to be a model for the world in this discipline.