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ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF INDUSTRY IN FIRE SAFETY AND BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLANNING

# Business Continuity Planning

**If you fail to plan you plan to fail -  
A truism for the ages.**

Failing to plan for disasters is an age old problem. In hindsight, many a victim wished they had planned in advance. What do I do now? Where do I live?, How will I go to work? and many more questions are not only germane, but do not have easy answers when there is a lack of planning.

While individuals and businesses could find assistance from various agencies, no other

organization that assists can fully put together a business ripped asunder by a disaster. This is especially true if the business did not have a plan in place.

It is true that in spite of planning, businesses will suffer losses due to disasters, but the difference between recovering and closing the doors forever -- to a large measure -- are predicated on the strength of the business

continuity and disaster recovery plan.

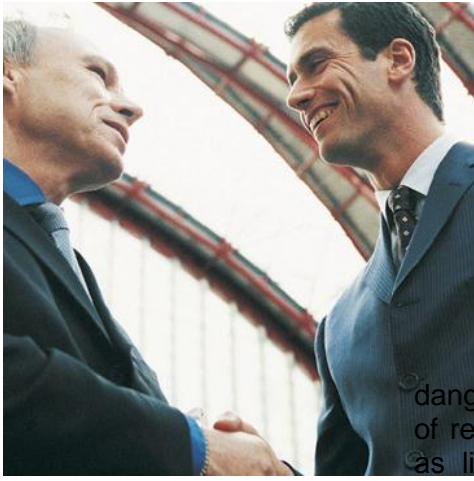
While planning to recover from disasters is an important process, business continuity should be given greater if not equal weight. Obviously, recovery deals with post disaster scenarios while continuity deals with the here and now.

How to ensure your business can continue to operate, without disruption and minimal inconvenience is an important keystone that will determine the post disaster health and healing capability of a business.



## INDUSTRY WATCH Patient Evacuation Slides

Evacuation Sheet enables the quick and safe evacuation of non-ambulant patients. The sheet is placed underneath the patient's mattress and left in place in case of an emergency evacuation. The sheet helps rescue teams, carers or nurses to slide the mattresses along carpet or vinyl, increasing patient safety and preventing injury to nursing staff.



# Non Ambulant Facility Occupants

## ARE YOU EQUIPED?

*Is your facility equipped to deal the evacuation of staff or clients in an emergency?*

dangerous to make use of regular facilities such as lifts. That's why an evacuation chair is an essential part of every business' disabled facilities.

Here at DMA Supplies we believe that an organisations commitment to equality and diversity shouldn't cost them a fortune, that's why we stock such a varied range of evacuation chairs.

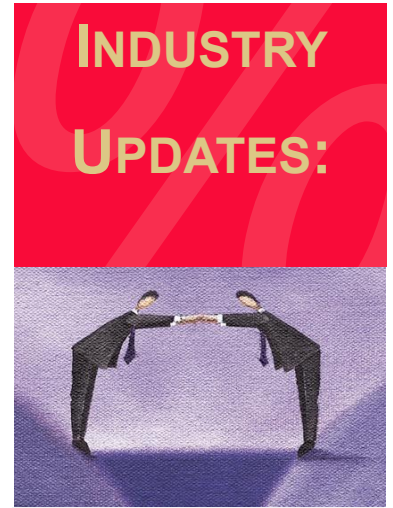
Businesses have a legal responsibility to ensure staff and visitors to their facility can be evacuated in a dignified and efficient manner.

Therefore, neglecting to invest in something as useful as an evacuation chair for all levels of a facility, firms could be left open & susceptible to lawsuits.

Call us if you would like more information.

While most businesses now recognise the vital importance of disabled access in the modern world, some companies overlook ways in which to safeguard those with a disability in certain infrequent situations, such as emergencies.

In the event of a fire or similar emergencies, it's



- Information & Workshop for AS3745-2010 Melbourne run by AFAC Queensland March 31st
- FPAA Conference 2011 Adelaide South Australia November
- Fire Expo 2011 16<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> March Castle Hill New South Wales



Contact the Fire & Emergency Response Training team if you have any questions regarding any of the articles in this newsletter or would like a question answered by our team in this newsletter.

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### COURSES AVAILABLE

- WARDEN TRAINING
- CHIEF WARDENS TRAINING
- EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE TRAINING
- DEVELOPMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANS (AS3745 AND AS4083)
- EVACUATION DIAGRAMS
- WARDENS EQUIPMENT (Evacuation Bags, Tabards, Caps, Patient Slides)
- EVACUATION EXERCISES
- EXTINGUISHER TRAINING
- BOMB THREAT TRAINING
- GUEST SPEAKER
- BUSINESS CONTINUITY MANAGEMNET
- EVACUATION PACKS
- BUSINESS CONTINUITY PACKS
- SCHOOL PACKS
- CONSULTANCY SERVICE
- FACILITY SPECIFIC COURSES