

Govern

Define Corporate Policy

Business Risks



Document evolving business risks and the business' tolerance for risk, based on data classification and application criticality

Policy & Compliance



Convert Risk decisions into policy statements to establish cloud adoption boundaries.

Process



Establish processes to monitor violations and adherence to corporate policies.

Five Disciplines of Cloud Governance



Cost Management

Evaluate & monitor costs, limit IT spend, scale to meet need, create cost accountability



Security Baseline

Ensure compliance with IT Security requirements by applying a security baseline to all adoption efforts



Resource Consistency

Ensure consistency in resource configuration. Enforce practices for on-boarding, recovery, and discoverability



Identity Baseline

Ensure the baseline for identity and access are enforced by consistently applying role definitions and assignments



Deployment Acceleration

Accelerate deployment through centralization, consistency, and standardization across deployment templates

Disciplines of Cloud Governance

With any cloud platform, there are common governance disciplines that help inform policies and align toolchains. These disciplines guide decisions about the proper level of automation and enforcement of corporate policy across cloud platforms.

	Cost Management: Cost is a primary concern for cloud users. Develop policies for cost control for all cloud platforms.
	Security Baseline: Security is a complex subject, unique to each company. Once security requirements are established, cloud governance policies and enforcement apply those requirements across network, data, and asset configurations.
	Identity Baseline: Inconsistencies in the application of identity requirements can increase the risk of breach. The Identity Baseline discipline focuses ensuring that identity is consistently applied across cloud adoption efforts.
	Resource Consistency: Cloud operations depend on consistent resource configuration. Through governance tooling, resources can be configured consistently to manage risks related to onboarding, drift, discoverability, and recovery.
	Deployment Acceleration: Centralization, standardization, and consistency in approaches to deployment and configuration improve governance practices. When provided through cloud-based governance tooling, they create a cloud factor that can accelerate deployment activities.