Upperton Pharma Solutions

Azure Cloud Case Study

Technologies used:

Azure AD, Endpoint Manager in Intune, Conditional Access Policies, Power Automate Flow, Microsoft on Premise Data Gateway, SQL on Windows Server running in Azure.

Mark Bird, Upperton Pharma Solutions

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We were so impressed with their work that we have continued to use their services to set up our virtual servers on Azure. Once again, their technical skills and expertise were evident, and their communication was exceptional. They took the time to understand our needs and ensured that our servers were set up exactly as we wanted them.

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Empowering Innovation with Azure Cloud : The Transformational Journey for Upperton Pharma Solutions

Introduction

Upperton Pharma Solutions (Upperton), a leading pharmaceutical research and development company, embarked on an extraordinary digital transformation journey that revolutionised their operations and accelerated their path to innovation. This remarkable transformation was made possible by a cutting-edge Azure cloud deployment led by a team of expert cloud architects and engineers.

The Challenge

Upperton had been utilising Google Workspace for their business but expressed a desire to transition to the Microsoft Platform. Google Workspace might have served them well in the past, but it was becoming apparent that it couldn't offer a more robust and adaptable infrastructure, capable of accommodating their expanding user base and evolving business requirements. With the expansion it meant that Upperton required proper access control mechanisms that would ensure that sensitive data and files were protected and accessible only to authorised personnel.

The Solution

Our solution was to move Upperton's existing on-premise infrastructure to the Azure Cloud.

Work was carried out with a combination of on-sites visits and remote work by Adepteq's Azure experts. We were able to provide Upperton with:

- Enrolled devices in endpoint manager, so we could control Windows and Office updates.
- A centralised document storage solution in SharePoint moving all files from local file storage.
- Provided a solution where employees can scan documents straight into SharePoint from their devices in the office, utilising Microsoft data gateway.
- Increased security with conditional access policies and multi-factor authentication (MFA). Upperton use MFA if a user is trying to access business files or data if they are not in the office or abroad.

The Business Benefits

- Moving to the cloud allowed Upperton to reduce the risk of hardware failure as they no longer require on-premise servers. All servers in the cloud are managed by Microsoft.
- Removes the need for long-term maintenance contracts for on-premise hardware.
- As Upperton continue to grow, the cloud environment is able to scale with them to adapt to the increased traffic or workload.
- A 'cool room' to keep the servers at the required temperature is now redundant, saving energy costs.
- Azure Virtual Machines are a pay-as-you-go model, so you only ever pay for what you use. No cap-ex expenditure
- Upperton operate in a private network within Azure, keeping sensitive company data secure.

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