



Problem Management Process

ITILv3 Foundations

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Problem vs. Incident Management

- Problem Management focuses on the long-term solution and fixing the root cause
- Incident Management often focuses on *firefighting* and correcting issues as quickly as possible



Problem Management Process

- To manage problems through their lifecycle, seeking to minimize the adverse impact of incidents and problems caused by underlying errors and to prevent recurrence of incidents related to those errors



Scope

- Triggered by Event Management, Incident Management, and Problem Management
- Implements solutions through Change Management and the Release & Deployment processes
- Proactively uses Availability Management and Capacity Management to prevent issues



Two Kinds of Problem Management

- **Reactive Problem Management**
Charged with responding to problems as they arise in the environment, driving by the incident management process
- **Proactive Problem Management**
Charged with proactively seeking out improvements to service and infrastructure before an incident occurs

