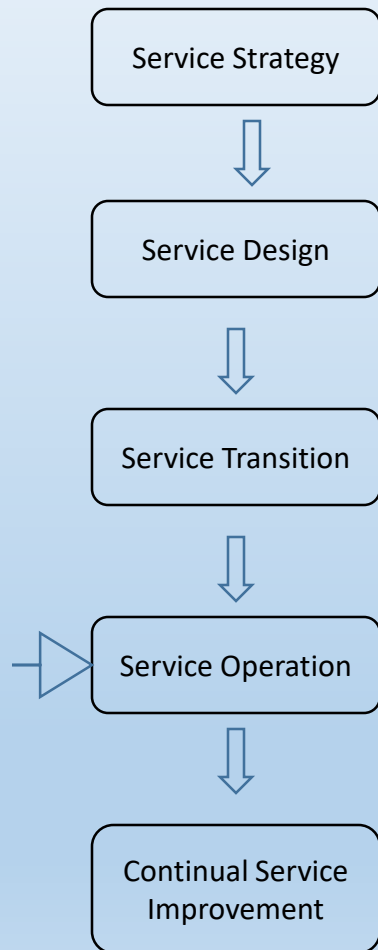


L8 & 9 F&P of Service Operation



- Event & Incident Management
 - Objectives
 - Processes involved
- Request Fulfillment
 - Steps involved
- Problem Management
 - Processes involved
 - Interactions with others
- Access Management
 - Activities involved
- IT Operations & Service Desk
 - Purposes
 - Activities

- Learning outcome:

Student will be able to :

- Describe the 5 key activities within service operations processes:

- Event management
- Incident management
- Problem management
- Request fulfilment
- Access management

- Describe different types of service desks

*Objectives :

- Service Operation is about fulfilling all activities required to provide and support services at the agreed service levels. These include:
 - The services
 - The service management processes
 - The technology
 - The people

ITIL processes

SERVICE STRATEGY

- Financial Management
- Return on Investment
- Service Portfolio Mgmt
- Demand Management

SERVICE DESIGN

- Service Catalogue Management
- Service Level Management
- Capacity Management
- Availability Management
- IT Service Continuity Management
- Information Security Management
- Supplier Management

SERVICE OPERATION

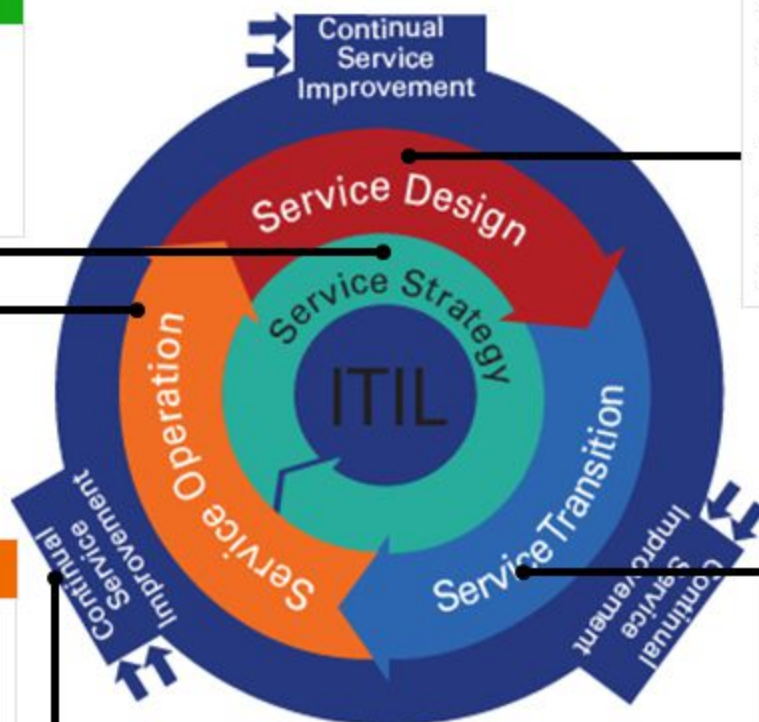
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CONTINUAL SERVICE IMPROVEMENT

- 7-Step Improvement Process

SERVICE TRANSITION

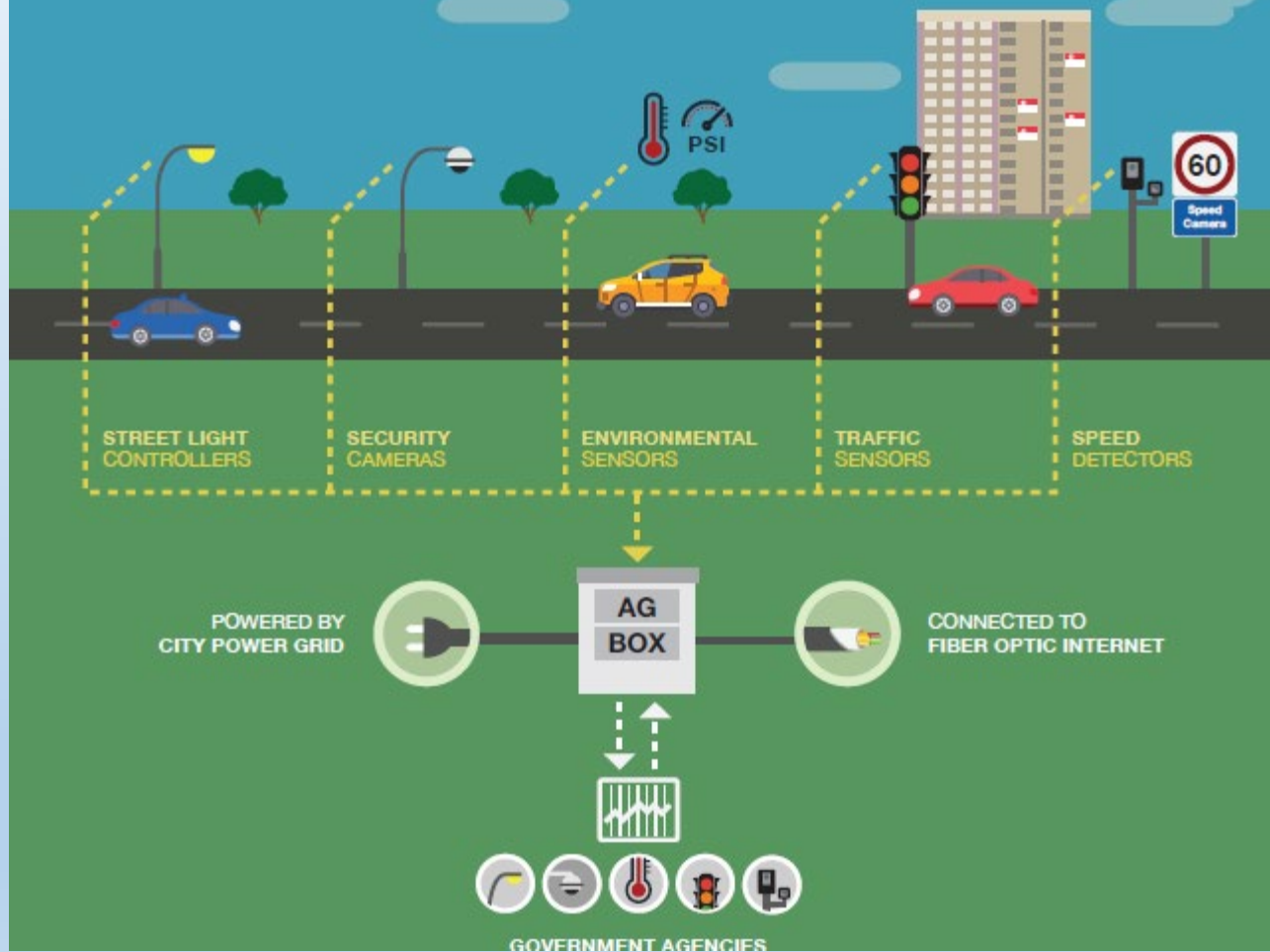
- Transition Planning and Support
- Change Management
- Service Asset & Configuration Management
- Release & Deployment Management
- Service Validation
- Evaluation
- Knowledge Management



*Event Management

- An **event** can be defined as any detectable or discernible occurrence that has significance for the management of the IT infrastructure or the delivery of IT service.

POWERING A NATIONWIDE SENSOR NETWORK AGGREGATION GATEWAY BOXES (AG BOXES)



*Objective

- The **objective** of event management is to detect events, analyze them and determine the right management action
- It provides the entry point for the execution of many service Operation processes and activities

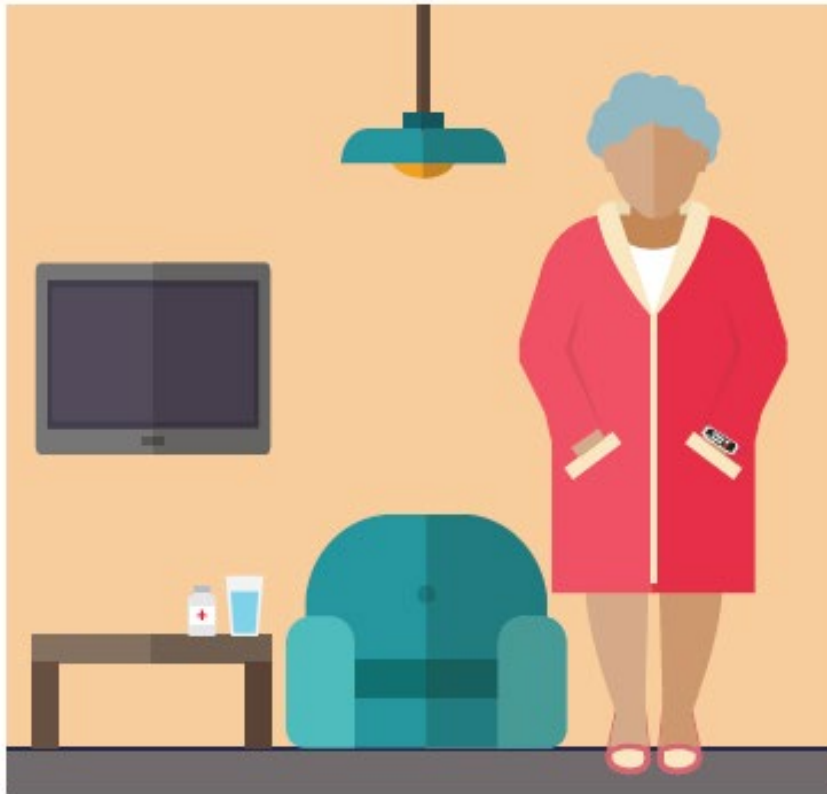
*Basic concept

- There are many different event types such as:
 - Events that indicate a normal operation, such as user logging on to use an application
 - Events that indicate an exception, such as a user who is trying to log on to an application with an incorrect password or a PC scan that reveals the installation of unauthorized software
 - Events that signify an unusual but not exceptional operation; it may provide an indication that the situation requires a little more supervision

*Activities, method and techniques

- The main activities of the event management process are:
 - An event occurs
 - Event reporting
 - Event detection
 - Event filtering
 - The significance of events
 - Event correlation
 - Trigger
 - Response options
 - Reviewing actions
 - Closing the event

DELIVERING SENSOR-ENABLED HEALTHCARE SMART HEALTH-ASSIST



WEARABLE SENSORS

Wearable devices with sensors monitor important vitals such as:

- Heart rate
- Blood pressure
- Body mass content
- Blood-oxygen level
- Glucose level



INTELLIGENT MEDICATION

Nano-sized sensors in pills can remind patients to take their medication, or keep their caregivers up-to-date on their patient's treatment progress.



HOME-INTEGRATED SENSORS

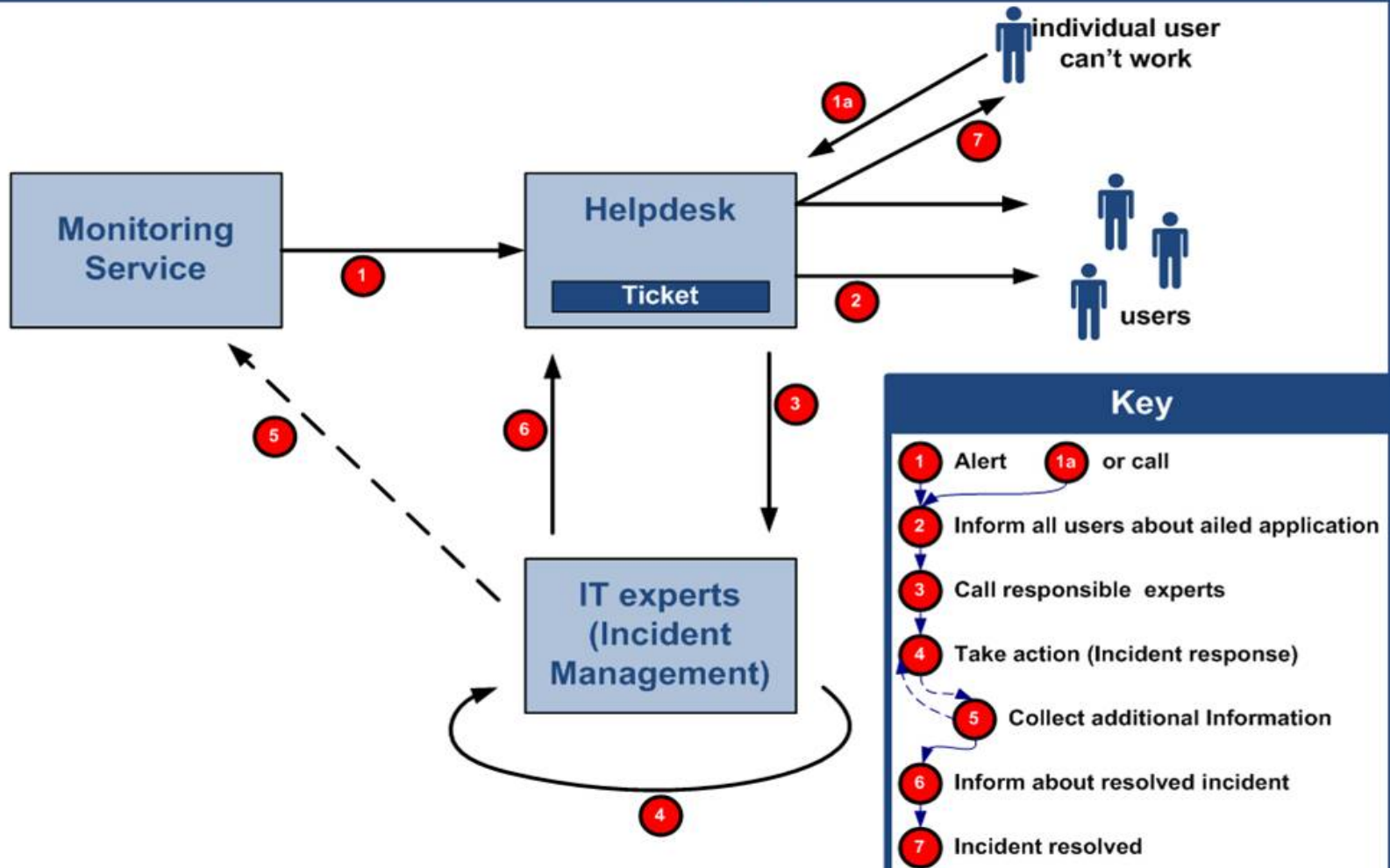
Wirelessly connected sensors built into rugs or the floor can measure weight and gait of the patient as she moves around the house.



*Incident management

- An **Incident** is an unplanned interruption to an IT service or reduction in the quality of an IT service. Failure of a CI that has not yet affected service is also an incident
- The main objective of the incident management process is to resume the regular state of affairs as quickly as possible and minimize the impact on business processes

Incident Management



*Basic concept

- The following elements should be taken into account in incident management:
 - **Time Limits** – agree on time limits for all phases and use them as targets in operational level Agreements (OLAs) and underpinning Contracts (UCs)
 - **Incident models** – an incident model is a way to determine the steps that are necessary to execute a process correctly (in the case, the processing of certain incident types); it means that standard incident will be handled correctly and within the agreed time frame
 - **Major incident** – a separate procedure is required for major incident, with shorter timeframes and higher urgency; agree what a major incident is and map the entire incident priority system

*Activities, methods and techniques

- The incident management process consist of the following steps:
 - Identification
 - Registration
 - Classification
 - Prioritization
 - Diagnosis
 - Escalation
 - Investigation and diagnosis
 - Resolution and recovery
 - Closing

*Request Fulfillment

- A **service request** is a request from user for information, advice, a standard change, or access to a service

*Objectives

- To offer user a channel through which they can request and receive service;
- To provide users and customers with information about the availability of services and the procedure for obtaining these services
- To supply the components of standard services (for instance, licenses and software media)
- To assist with general information, complaints or comments

*Activities

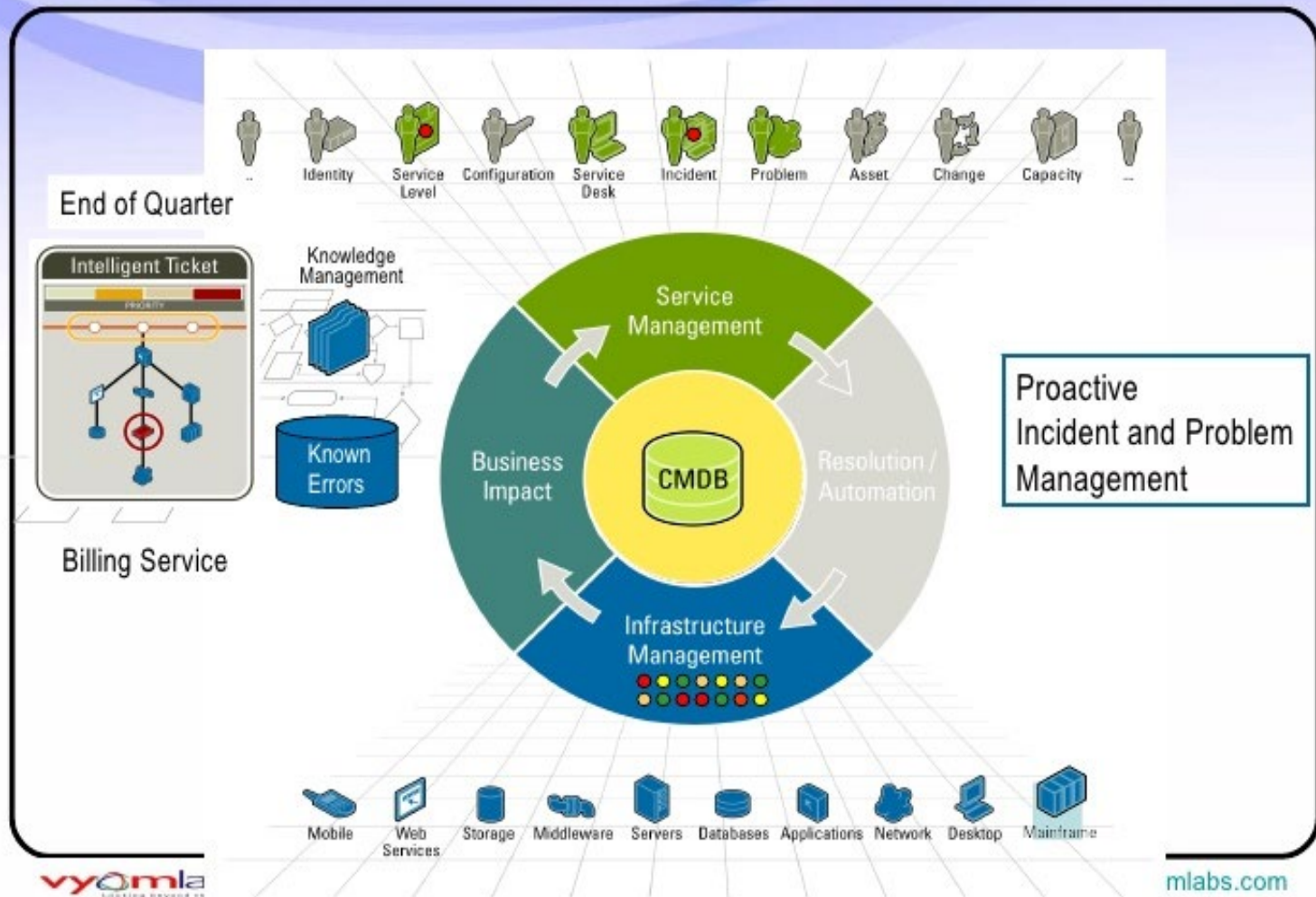
- Request fulfillment consist of the following activities :
 - **Menu selection**
 - By means of request fulfillment, users can submit their own service request via a link to service management tools; in the ideal situation the user will be offered a menu via a web interface, so that they can select and enter the details of a service request

Activities

- **Financial approval**

- Most service requests have financial implications; the cost for handling a request must first be determined; it is possible to agree fixed prices for standard requests and give instant authorization for these requests; in all other cases the cost must first be estimated, after which the user must give permission

Proactive Incident and Problem Management



*Problem management

- A **problem** is the cause of one or more incident
- The primary objective of problem management is to prevent problems and incidents, eliminate repeating incidents and minimize the impact of incidents that cannot be prevent

*Basic concept

- A **known error** is a problem that has a documented root cause and a workaround
- **Workaround**: reducing or eliminating the impact of an incident or problem for which a full resolution is not yet available

*Reactive Problem management

- Reactive problem management consist of the following activities:
 - Identification
 - Registration
 - Classification
 - Prioritization
 - Investigation and diagnosis
 - Decide on workarounds

Reactive Problem management

- Reactive problem management consist of the following activities:
 - Identification of known errors
 - Resolution
 - Conclusion
 - Review
 - Correction of errors found

*Access Management

- Access management grants authorized users the right to use a service, but denies unauthorized user access. Some Organizations also call it “rights management “ or “identity management”

*Activities

- It consists of the following activities:
 - **Verification**
 - access management must verify every access request for an IT service from two perspectives:
 - Is the user requesting access truly the person he says he is?
 - Does the user have a legitimate reason to use the service?

*Activities

- It consists of the following activities:
 - **Granting rights**
 - access management does not decide who get access to what IT service; it only executes the policy and rules defined by the service strategy and service design
 - **Monitoring identity status**
 - User roles may vary over time, with an impact on their service needs; examples of what may change a role are: job changes, promotion, dismissal, retirement or death

Activities

- It consists of the following activities:
 - **Registering and monitoring access**
 - Access management does not only respond to requests; it must also ensure that the rights it has granted are used correctly
 - **Revoking or limiting rights**
 - In addition to granting rights to use a service, access management is also responsible for withdrawing those rights; but it cannot make the actual decision

*IT Operations

- To deliver the services as agreed with the customer, the service provider will first have to manage the technical infrastructure that is used to deliver the services



*Operations bridge

- The operations bridge is a central point of coordination that manages various events and routine operational activities , and reports on the status or performance of technological components

Job scheduling

- IT operations executes standard routines, queries or reports that technical and application management teams have handed over as part of the service or of routine daily maintenance task

Backup and Restore

- An organization must protect its data, which includes **backup** and storage of data in reserved locations where it is protected and if necessary, accessible
- A restore may be necessary in case of:
 - Corrupt data
 - Lost data
 - A calamity plan/ IT service continuity situation
 - Historical data required for forensic investigation

Print and output

- Many service provide their information in **print** or electronic form (**output**). The service provider must ensure that the information ends up in the right places, correctly and in the right form
- Laws and regulations may play an important part in print and output. Archiving important or sensitive data is particularly

*Service desk

- Service desk is **functional** unit with associates involved in differing service events. These service events come in by phone, internet or infrastructure, events which are reported automatically

*Service desk Objective

- The primary purpose of the service desk is to resume “ normal service” to the user as soon as possible
- This may be resolving a technical error, but also filling a service request or answering a question

*Organization structure

- There are many ways to organize a service desk. The most important options are:
 - Local service desk
 - Centralized service desk
 - Virtual service desk
 - 24-hour service
 - Specialized service desk group

*Local service desk

- Local service desk is located at or physically close to the users it is supporting
- Communication are often much smoother and the visible presence is attractive for some user
- Local service desk is expensive and may be inefficient if the amount of service events does not really justify a service desk

*Centralized service desk

- The number of service desks can be reduced by installing them at one single location
- Less expensive and more efficient, because fewer associates can deal with the service events (call), while the level of knowledge of the service desk is bound to increase

*Virtual service desk

- By using technology ,specifically the internet, and the use of support tools, it is possible to create the impression of a centralized service desk
- Whereas the associates are in fact spread out over a number of geographic or structural location

*24/7 services :

- Some international organization like to combine two or more geographically spread out service desks in order to offer a 24/7 service

Specialized Service desk group :

- Incident relating to a specific IT service are routed straight to the specialized group
- In this way ,incident can be resolved more promptly

Functions and processes of Service Operations (Review Questions)

- Q1 What is an event? Give an example.
- Q2 What is the scope of service operations?
- Q3 What is the main objective of incident management process?
- Q4 What does a service request normally consist of?
- Q5 What is a workaround?
- Q6 What are the 5 objectives of the request fulfillment function?

Revision MCQ

1 The purpose of an incident model is to _____.

- a) classify incidents
- b) describe the key steps of handling incidents
- c) assess the importance of incidents
- d) define the functions of IT support staff

2 Incidents can be assessed according to the following factors :

- 1) number of users affected
 - 2) urgency of the IT services
 - 3) impacts on service standards committed to customers
 - 4) values of the IT infrastructure
- a) all of the above
 - b) 1 only
 - c) 1& 2
 - d) 1,2, & 3