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Business Security Is Everyone's Business:The Role of Workflows in Securing your Bank

Community banks have many moving parts - governing who has access to what and what they can do with that data is only the beginning of the story. With vendors, partners, and contractors as part of the picture, the permutations become even greater. As your data proliferates and your data management requirements grow, information security becomes not something you *have* and deploy, but rather something you *live* and breathe.

Information security is about strengthening the weakest leak in the chain. To this end, banks need to understand where the data is coming from, where it lands, where it goes within the organization, and how it is used. As employees are hired, transfer to new roles and leave the company, maintaining data security grows exponentially more complex.

The proper practice of information security involves defining business processes and automating/tracking them; perhaps for control, but certainly for auditing and prompting. Essentially, you need to understand what happens to data and where, looking for exceptions to the rule and anomalies in the routine. Business process automation tools and techniques are well-suited to these tasks; those cost-containment tools turn out to be an excellent countermeasure for human error, insider attacks, and areas of non-compliance.

With a proper business process automation solution in place, your bank can better ensure data confidentiality, availability and integrity. By leveraging operational best practices and workflows that enable your InfoSec team to monitor employee activity, you will have a better handle on and be able to monitor - how data is handled throughout each employee's lifecycle. This gives you're the unique ability to identify and thwart intentional and unintentional data handling that might put your bank's information at serious risk.



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