

20 Questions Every IBM Planning Analytics Administrator Should Ask

Most **IBM Planning Analytics TM1** environments evolve over many years. New models, users, data sources, and reporting requirements are added over time, often resulting in unnecessary complexity and declining performance.

Use this checklist to determine whether your environment could benefit from an **Independent Health Check**.



1. PERFORMANCE

- ☐ Do your planning models calculate quickly during peak budgeting periods?
- ☐ Have cube query response times remained consistent over the past 12 months?
- ☐ Are Turbo Integrator (TI) processes completing within acceptable timeframes?
- ☐ Are chores executing efficiently without unnecessary delays?
- ☐ Have server resources (CPU and memory) been reviewed recently?

2. MODEL DESIGN

- ☐ Are your rules easy to understand and maintain?
- ☐ Are feeders optimised and free of unnecessary calculations?
- ☐ Are dimensions and hierarchies consistently designed?
- ☐ Are unused cubes, dimensions or processes regularly removed?

3. DATA INTEGRATION

- ☐ Are all data loads fully automated?
- ☐ Are data reconciliation processes documented?
- ☐ Are integration failures automatically detected and reported?

4. GOVERNANCE

- ☐ Are Development, Test and Production environments separated?
- ☐ Is version control used for TI processes and rules?
- ☐ Are audit trails available for significant model changes?

5. SECURITY

- ☐ Are dormant user accounts removed and user permissions reviewed regularly?
- ☐ Are security groups aligned with business roles?
- ☐ Is sensitive planning information adequately protected?

6. BUSINESS CONTINUITY

- ☐ Have backup and disaster recovery procedures been tested?
- ☐ Do you have documented recovery procedures if key staff leave?

Your Score

18–20 Yes: Your environment appears well managed - well done!

12–17 Yes: There are likely opportunities to improve performance and governance. Contact us.

Below 12 Yes: Your Planning Analytics TM1 environment would benefit from a comprehensive Independent Health Check. Contact us.

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