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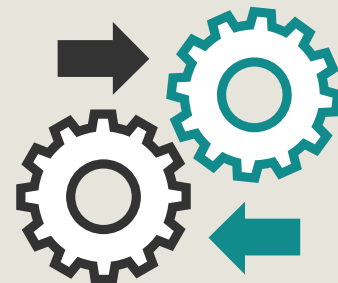


Dis-Chem is a leading pharmacy group in South Africa. Started in 1978 as a family business, it now has more than 130 stores, including two partner stores in Namibia. In addition to pharmaceutical products and services, its retail pharmacies sell personal care, beauty, health-care, nutrition and baby care products, as well as confectionary, dry grocery, household and other ancillary products.

“The performance of the environment is astronomically good; we immediately experienced high availability of the environment and there were virtually no headaches in the deployment. Furthermore, the performance between the old and the new can't even be compared.”

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Technical Manager
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Challenges



Acquisition and merging of two IT environments.



Inherited aging legacy environment.



Support for mission-critical systems.



Needed greater scalability.



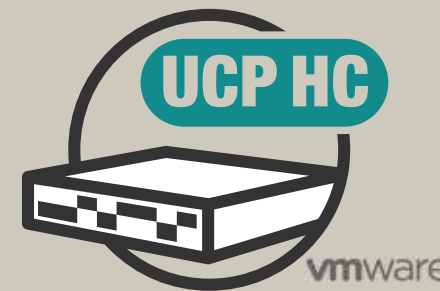
Create an enterprise ready, dynamic IT environment.



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Solution

Transform Work and Operations, Virtualization, Hitachi Unified Compute Platform HC for VSAN



Hitachi Unified Compute Platform HC systems, powered by VMware vSAN in main data center and disaster recovery site.



Installation completed by Hitachi Vantara and First Technology.

“The migration ran smoothly and the developers working in the environment are over the moon with the speed at which everything runs.”

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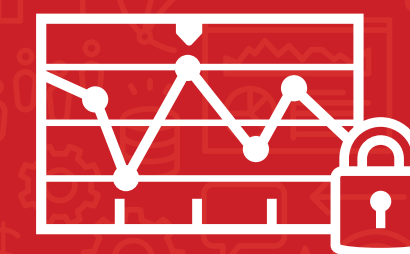
Outcomes



High availability and performance of business-critical database.



Virtual server setup reduced from 48 to 2 minutes.



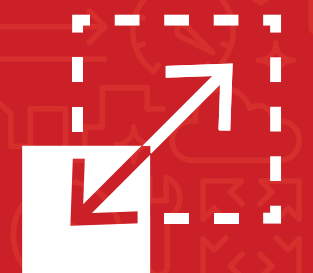
Protection against data loss.



Quick response to spikes in demand.



Reduced and simplified management.



Increased scalability for future growth.