

Building a New Data Center and Going All in with Nutanix

The Situation

The healthcare industry has undergone rapid transformations over the last decade and large healthcare providers, like **Moda Health**, have had to prioritize spending to keep their complex environments secured. A couple of years ago, the financial floodgates opened for Moda Health to make overdue changes to their IT infrastructure. Then the pandemic hit, and Moda Health needed a practical solution to allow the majority of staff to work remotely—as well as continue with the necessary upgrades.

The Problem

- Moda Health needed to add a fourth data center
- Required a partner to help implement system upgrades
- Had to build up VDI quickly

Nutanix to the Rescue

Reasons Moda Health chose Nutanix:

- An HCl environment simplified maintenance and made it considerably easier to manage
- Could easily perform upgrades within regular business hours
- Options for training and certification

The Impact

- Moda Health's VDI went from 75–100 remote workers to an average load of 650–700 users
- Minimal downtime and robust data protection
- Reduction in time spent on maintenance and upkeep

The IT team wanted the new data center to have a single pane of glass that would make it easier to troubleshoot issues, instead of contending with ineffective finger-pointing between partners. They went with Nutanix, but the pandemic upended everything before the migration was complete. Eventually, Moda Health was able to run a virtual environment on Nutanix, and then use Nutanix AOS Data Protection to continue the migration project. The IT team now has their weekends back, and has had great success in other areas of managing maintenance while keeping the system online.







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In my 27 years in IT, I've never seen anyone go above and beyond the way Nutanix has, and the rest of my team echoes this sentiment.

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If I had to do it all over again, I suspect that we would include even more Nutanix hardware because it would be that much easier to streamline the maintenance.



