

# Server Moves and Migrations



Proven processes and advanced tools to coordinate moves, mitigate risk, reduce costs, and improve efficiencies.

You've run out of power. You've run out of space. You've run out of cooling. You've run out of time. You've got to move your data center, and you've got to get control.

Challenging communications processes, network complexity, and lack of documentation about existing assets makes even the most seasoned IT professional fearful of possible downtime. In the last 3 years, Align has successfully migrated over 20,000 servers using our proven process - with no impact to the business.

## PROCESS

Align has a proven process to migrate your servers and applications either physically or logically. Our process is a wheel in motion - a repeatable, recurring cycle with identified actions for every stage. This allows us to manage and track several migrations simultaneously, no matter at what point in the cycle servers are positioned we know the action items that need to be completed.

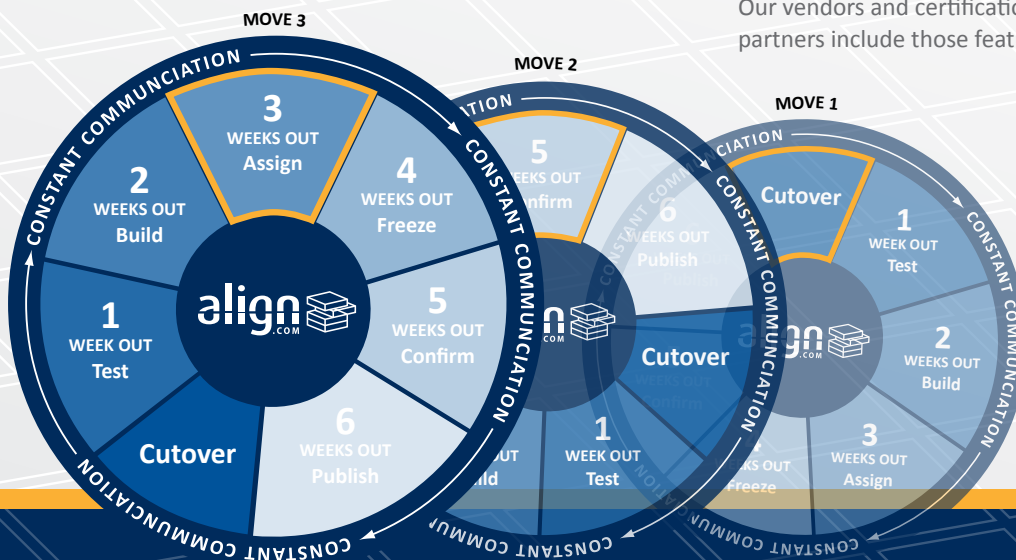
## ANALYZE/PLAN

Migrating even one server can impact your entire enterprise. During the initial analysis and planning phase, we collect data on the technology being impacted, outline sequences and schedules, and establish a project team dedicated to making this relocation a success. We work with the IT disciplines including system administrators, network configuration specialists, storage groups, firewall teams etc. to give guidance and/or augment staff. We also manage the expectations of the business units, stakeholders and application owners during the migration process.

## PEOPLE

Align's Relocation professionals have helped many of the world's leading firms manage change in their technology infrastructures. For every migration project, we select a trained and certified team of specialists who combine project management skills with top-notch, technical knowledge to guide every project from start to finish.

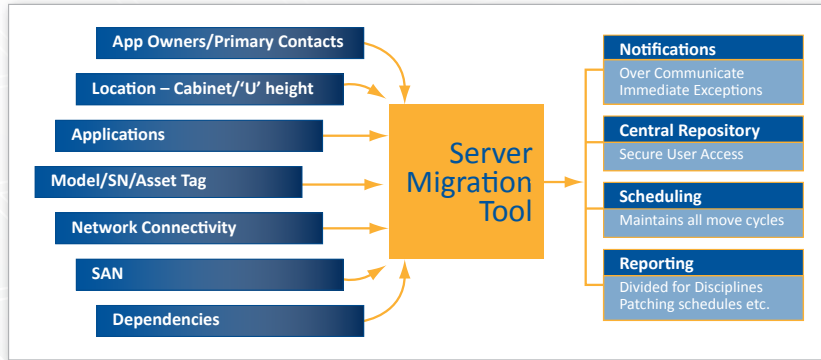
Our vendors and certification partners include those featured here:



Using established processes and tools, Align's certified professionals will make your migration experience safe, seamless and simple.

## TOOLS

After over 20 years of experience relocating technology, we found that no software offered the functionality we were looking for to manage a complex move or migration. So we built one.



Our Server Migration tool is specifically designed to facilitate all the requirements for a migration. It can display different views highlighting critical dependencies and with the click of a button, it can generate comprehensive reports that will increase team efficiency.



ABOVE: Typical migration cycle dashboard during the cut-over phase.

EMPOWER IT | RELOCATE IT | INTEGRATE IT | MANAGE IT

Today's leading firms turn to Align time and again with their toughest IT challenges because we understand their business, develop complete solutions, implement them from top to bottom, and finish mission-critical projects on budget and on time.

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## CASE STUDIES

### Financial Services Giant

Engaged to relocate a main production data center for a financial firm, we moved over 1900 physical servers with three primary OS platforms, 50 TB of SAN storage, and hundreds of external network connections, supporting several thousand production applications. Align maintained 100% uptime.

### Municipal Health Agency

Align consolidated three data centers, 200 servers and two EMC standalone storage arrays to lower Manhattan over three consecutive weekends with no downtime or impact to agency operations.

"You all have truly delivered high quality service, excellent project management, customer-oriented flexibility and support, and a thorough conscientious and competent staff team that made the entire operation a phenomenal success."

- Data Center Director  
LEADING HEALTHCARE PROVIDER

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