



# 10 TIPS FOR IMPLEMENTING A NEW ERP

**1 Prepare for change**  
Work with staff to openly discuss the shift to a new system, think through concerns, and identify who will own and manage the ERP.

## Determine critical business requirements

**3** List your top business requirements and their pain points. Directly ask potential partners how their system would address these needs, along with the cost, time, complexity and training involved.

## Demo early

**5** Show employees demos of a few potential systems when selecting an ERP to get their feedback. They will feel involved in the process, and you are more likely to pick a system that meets your staff's daily needs.

## Assess your customization needs

**7** Choose an industry-specific ERP to meet most of your requirements that is well designed, affordable and easy to update. Add customization sparingly only to meet critical business needs.

## Integrate

**9** Your ERP needs to interact with your other software if you want to create a single source of truth in your organization. If you have complex integration needs, choose an ERP partner with extensive integration experience (learn about Datix's pre-built integration application, [Unity](#)).

## Rethink your processes

**2** Maximize your implementation by reviewing current processes and brainstorming ways to improve with your team.

## Plan for the future

**4** Look for an ERP that will allow you to prepare for the future, anticipate potential issues and evaluate data to make informed decisions. Your new ERP should be compatible with the company you have now and the one that you want to build tomorrow.

## Listen to your users

**6** No matter what system you choose, your employees need to be able to use it. Touch base with staff about how they learn best and how they anticipate navigating the new system.

## Be ready for system improvements

**8** ERP system updates are necessary for continuous growth and maintaining security. When an update is scheduled, talk about if any of its new features should be added into your business processes.

## Find a long-term ERP partner

**10** When selecting an ERP partner, it can be hard to know what sort of company to choose. Choose a partner with extensive industry expertise who understands your business inside and out, and has a proven track record for success.

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