

## MICROSOFT TO END WINDOWS 7 SUPPORT IN JAN 2020 [BULLETIN]

### Summary

Microsoft Windows 7 was initially released 10 years ago (2009) and its predecessor, Windows 10 has been available since 2015. *Please be aware that Microsoft will officially end support for the Windows 7 operating system on January 14, 2020.* This end of support for Windows 7 may have a large impact on your business if you are using this operating system on your clinic computers. With Microsoft security updates no longer being provided, practices will need to upgrade their workstations to a supported operating system such as Windows 10.

#### **WARNING:**

Practices should plan to upgrade their Windows 7 PCs **before** January 14, 2020.

It is strongly recommended that clinics work with their IT support to identify any hardware or software requirements needed to support this critical transition off of Windows 7 (or any older Windows operating systems such as Windows XP). Clinic staff training may also need to be considered to help adjust to the differences in the new operating system.

### DTO Resources

#### [Microsoft Windows 10 Upgrade Checklist](#)

A checklist to provide guidance for a practice needing to upgrade office computers to Windows 10 from an older operating system.

### Related Materials

#### **Microsoft Official Notice – End of Windows 7 Support**

<https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/windowsforbusiness/end-of-windows-7-support>

#### **Microsoft – Which version of Windows Operating System am I Running?**

<https://support.microsoft.com/en-ca/help/13443/windows-which-operating-system>

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