

# **GRC Spotlight** *in the Cloud:*

Five Reasons It's Right for Your Financial Institution



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Given your financial institution's well-established IT infrastructure, you might think on-site deployment is the best option for implementing a GRC solution. But wait until you hear about the efficiency, flexibility and security of GRC Spotlight in the cloud.

GRC Spotlight, powered by LockPath®, is Harland Clarke's automated, scalable software solution designed to help you manage your regulatory challenges. Financial institutions use GRC Spotlight to systematize processes, manage risk, maintain logical and physical security, and be audit ready. GRC Spotlight works on the LockPath Keylight platform, a cloud-based, integrated software platform that flexes to your needs.



# Why Cloud? Five Reasons

There are many reasons why the cloud is the right deployment option. Consider these top five:

## 1 Zero Hardware

With cloud deployment, you don't have to worry about hardware limitations or vulnerabilities. LockPath diligently manages and maintains our cloud environment so you can focus on serving your account holders — not your IT hardware.

## 3 No Maintenance

With cloud deployment, LockPath performs all GRC Spotlight system updates. That means patches are always current and you automatically receive product updates during regularly scheduled maintenance and upgrade windows. Also, GRC Spotlight's single, configuration-only code base means your data linkages and reports won't break during maintenance and upgrades. The same goes for backups and disaster recovery. It's our team's responsibility.

## 4 Exceptional Support

We live and breathe GRC Spotlight. We're intimately familiar with the cloud and its architecture. We get to the root of any problem faster and resolve issues more efficiently. With GRC Spotlight in the cloud, it's one less worry for IT. For support, you call our team instead.

## 2 No Additional Infrastructure Resources

Cloud deployment requires no additional support from your IT infrastructure team. No waiting on system engineers, network engineers or database analysts to monitor and patch systems, maintain databases or perform upgrades. LockPath handles that for you.

## 5 Data Security

Your data security in the cloud is our top priority. Our information security management system goes through rigorous testing and is always monitored. The GRC Spotlight Keylight platform is encrypted at rest and the GRC Spotlight cloud is ISO 27001 certified.

# Cloud Myths Debunked



*Still not convinced? Let us debunk some common myths about cloud deployment.*

## **“My data is more secure on premise.”**

This could be true, but more often than not, it's false. When considering data security on premise, you have to consider both physical and logical security.

For example, how many people will have access to your data? What is your backup and disaster recovery plan if an event occurs? Finally, what certifications does your data center have? Is it ISO 27001 certified? Is it compliant with SSAE16, SOC 1 and SOC 2?

GRC Spotlight allows for both LDAP and SAML authentication. Its Remote Directory Sync integrates with your on-premise directories to provide secure cloud access with the necessary authentication. Also, we use highly secure data centers that are audited against SSAE16 (SOC 1, SOC 2) on an annual basis.

## **“My data is easier to access on premise.”**

This was once true, but cloud technology has come a long way. In fact, GRC Spotlight comes with the Ambassador, a lightweight client that establishes a secure data connection between your on-premise network and the cloud. Using the Ambassador, data imports easily — even automatically with scheduling — so you can access your data anytime from anywhere.

## **“On premise is cheaper since I already have the hardware or use VMs.”**

Often this is true. However, “available” and “capable” resources are two different things. In truth, most on-premise deployments end up on over-provisioned or over-shared hardware or virtual machines (VMs). This prevents GRC Spotlight from operating effectively. As a result, you have to factor in additional hardware and licensing costs associated with maintaining the platform on premise. And what about extra staffing required?

There's also the issue of hitting the wall with data requirements as your financial institution grows. When all the costs and projected costs are tabulated, the total ownership cost for cloud may actually be lower than on premise.

## **“It's on my network, so it will run faster.”**

Technology advances fast, quickly rendering today's equipment obsolete. Remaining current and up to speed with an on-premise solution requires an ongoing investment in hardware and software. Is that something you're prepared to factor into the purchasing decision?

With GRC Spotlight on the cloud, we maintain and upgrade the platform and its infrastructure, so it performs optimally.

## **GRC Spotlight:** The Industry-leading Cloud-Based GRC Solution

GRC Spotlight was developed by LockPath as cloud-based software. Cloud customers rely on the platform's impeccable security architecture and support practices. As an additional measure of security, ISO 27001 certification covers all development and operational aspects of GRC Spotlight.

Unlike an on-premise solution, IT support and maintenance are handled by LockPath. You never have to hunt down a resource to troubleshoot an issue. The support team is just a phone call or email away.

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We invite you to schedule a call with our team. We'll answer all of your questions about cloud deployment and discuss the specifics of how GRC Spotlight in the cloud would work for your financial institution.

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