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## Introduction

This document describes new functionality in Cisco Identity Services Engine (ISE) Version 1.3 that allows you to configure several AnyConnect Secure Mobility Client modules and provision them automatically to the endpoint. This document presents how to configure VPN, Network Access Manager (NAM), and Posture modules on ISE and push them to the corporate user.

## Prerequisites

### Requirements

Cisco recommends that you have knowledge of these topics:

- ISE deployments, authentication, and authorization
- Configuration of Wireless LAN Controllers (WLCs)
- Basic VPN and 802.1x knowledge
- Configuration of VPN and NAM profiles with AnyConnect profile editors

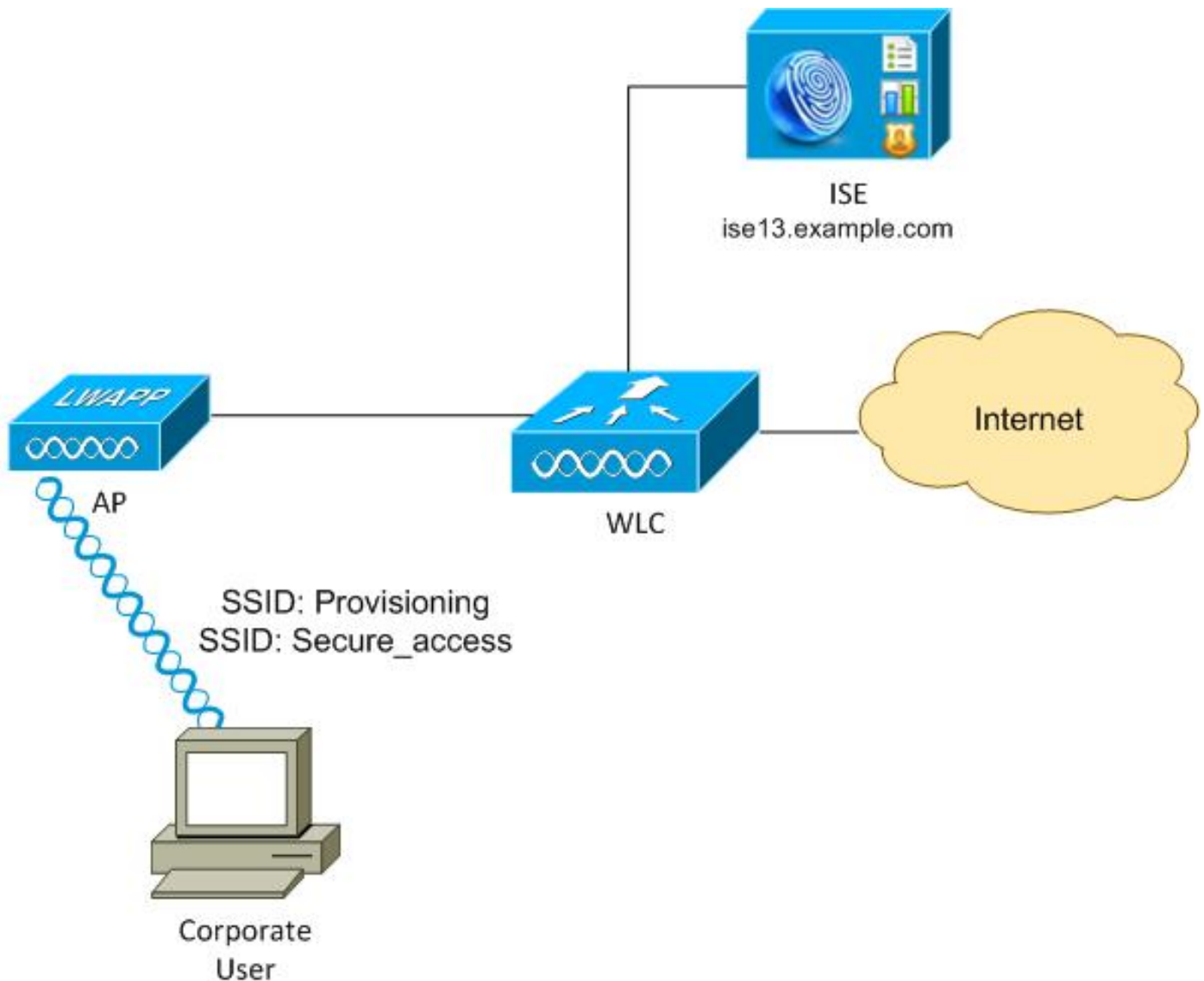
### Components Used

The information in this document is based on these software and hardware versions:

- Microsoft Windows 7
- Cisco WLC Version 7.6 and Later
- Cisco ISE Software, Versions 1.3 and Later

The information in this document was created from the devices in a specific lab environment. All of the devices used in this document started with a cleared (default) configuration. If your network is live, make sure that you understand the potential impact of any command.

## Topology and Flow



Here is the flow:

**Step 1.** Corporate user accesses Service Set Identifier (SSID): Provisioning. Performs 802.1x authentication with Extensible Authentication Protocol-Protected EAP (EAP-PEAP). The **Provisioning** authorization rule is encountered on ISE and the user is redirected for AnyConnect Provisioning (via the Client Provisioning Portal). If AnyConnect is not detected on the machine, all configured modules are installed (VPN, NAM, Posture). Along with that profile, the configuration for each module is pushed.

**Step 2.** Once AnyConnect is installed, the user must reboot the PC. After the reboot, AnyConnect

runs and the correct SSID is automatically used as per the configured NAM profile (Secure\_access). EAP-PEAP is used (as an example, Extensible Authentication Protocol-Transport Layer Security (EAP-TLS) could be also used). At the same time, the Posture module checks if the station is compliant (checks for the existence of **c:\test.txt file**).

**Step 3.** If the station posture status is unknown (no report from Posture module), it is still redirected for provisioning, because the **Unknown** Authz rule is encountered on ISE. Once the station is compliant, ISE sends a Change of Authorization (CoA) to the Wireless LAN Controller, which triggers re-authentication. A second authentication occurs, and the **Compliant** rule is hit on ISE, which will provide the user with full access to the network.

As a result, the user has been provisioned with AnyConnect VPN, NAM, and Posture modules that allow for unified access to the network. Similar functionality can be used on the Adaptive Security Appliance (ASA) for VPN access. Currently, ISE can do the same for any type of access with a very granular approach.

This functionality is not limited to corporate users, but it is possibly most common to deploy it for that group of users.

## Configure

# WLC

The WLC is configured with two SSIDs:

- Provisioning - [WPA + WPA2][Auth(802.1X)]. This SSID is used for AnyConnect provisioning.
- Secure\_access - [WPA + WPA2][Auth(802.1X)]. This SSID is used for secure access after the endpoint has been provisioned with the NAM module that is configured for that SSID.

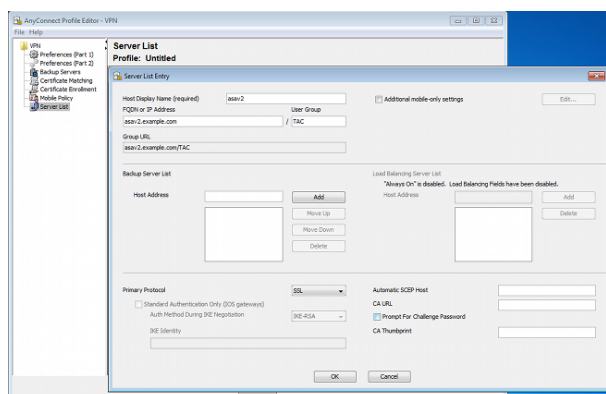
# ISE

## Step 1. Add the WLC

## Add the WLC to the Network Devices on ISE.

## Step 2. Configure the VPN Profile

Configure the VPN profile with the AnyConnect Profile Editor for VPN.



Only one entry has been added for VPN access. Save that XML file to **VPN.xml**.

### Step 3. Configure the NAM Profile

Configure the NAM profile with the AnyConnect Profile Editor for NAM.

AnyConnect Profile Editor - Network Access Manager

File Help

Network Access Manager

- Client Policy
- Authentication Policy
- Networks
- Network Groups

**Networks**

Profile: Z:\NAM.xml

Name:

Group Membership

☒ In group:

☐ In all groups (Global)

Choose Your Network Media

☐ Wired (802.3) Network

Select a wired network if the endstations will be connecting to the network with a traditional ethernet cable.

☒ Wi-Fi (wireless) Network

Select a WiFi network if the endstations will be connecting to the network via a wireless radio connection to an Access Point.

SSID (max 32 chars):

☐ Hidden Network

☐ Corporate Network

Association Timeout (sec)

Common Settings

Script or application on each user's machine to run when connected.

Connection Timeout (sec.)

Media Type

- Security Level
- Connection Type
- User Auth
- Credentials

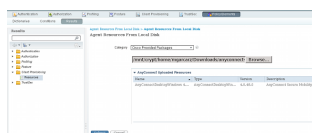
Only one SSID has been configured: **secure\_access**. Save that XML file to **NAM.xml**.

### Step 4. Install the Application

1. Download the application manually from Cisco.com.

**anyconnect-win-4.0.00048-k9.pkganyconnect-win-compliance-3.6.9492.2.pkg**

2. On ISE, navigate to **Policy > Results > Client Provisioning > Resources**, and add Agent Resources From Local Disk.
3. Choose Cisco Provided Packages and select the **anyconnect-win-4.0.00048-k9.pkg**:



4. Repeat Step 4 for the compliance module.

## Step 5. Install the VPN/NAM Profile

1. Navigate to **Policy > Results > Client Provisioning > Resources**, and add Agent Resources From Local Disk.
2. Choose Customer Created Packages and type **AnyConnect Profile**. Select the previously created NAM profile (XML file):

The screenshot shows the Cisco ISE Policy Editor interface. The top navigation bar includes tabs for Authentication, Authorization, Profiling, Posture, Client Provisioning, TrustSec, and Policy Elements. The 'Results' tab is active, and the left sidebar shows a tree view with 'Client Provisioning' > 'Resources' selected. The main panel is titled 'Agent Resources From Local Disk' and contains the following fields:

- Category: Customer Created Packages (dropdown)
- Type: AnyConnect Profile (dropdown)
- \* Name: NAM-Profile (text input)
- Description: (empty text area)
- File path: /mnt/crypt/tmp/NAM.xml (text input with a 'Browse...' button)
- Buttons: Submit and Cancel

3. Repeat similar steps for the VPN profile:

This screenshot is similar to the previous one, showing the configuration for a VPN profile. The main panel fields are:

- Category: Customer Created Packages (dropdown)
- Type: AnyConnect Profile (dropdown)
- \* Name: VPN-Profile (text input)
- Description: (empty text area)
- File path: /mnt/crypt/tmp/VPN.xml (text input with a 'Browse...' button)
- Buttons: Submit and Cancel

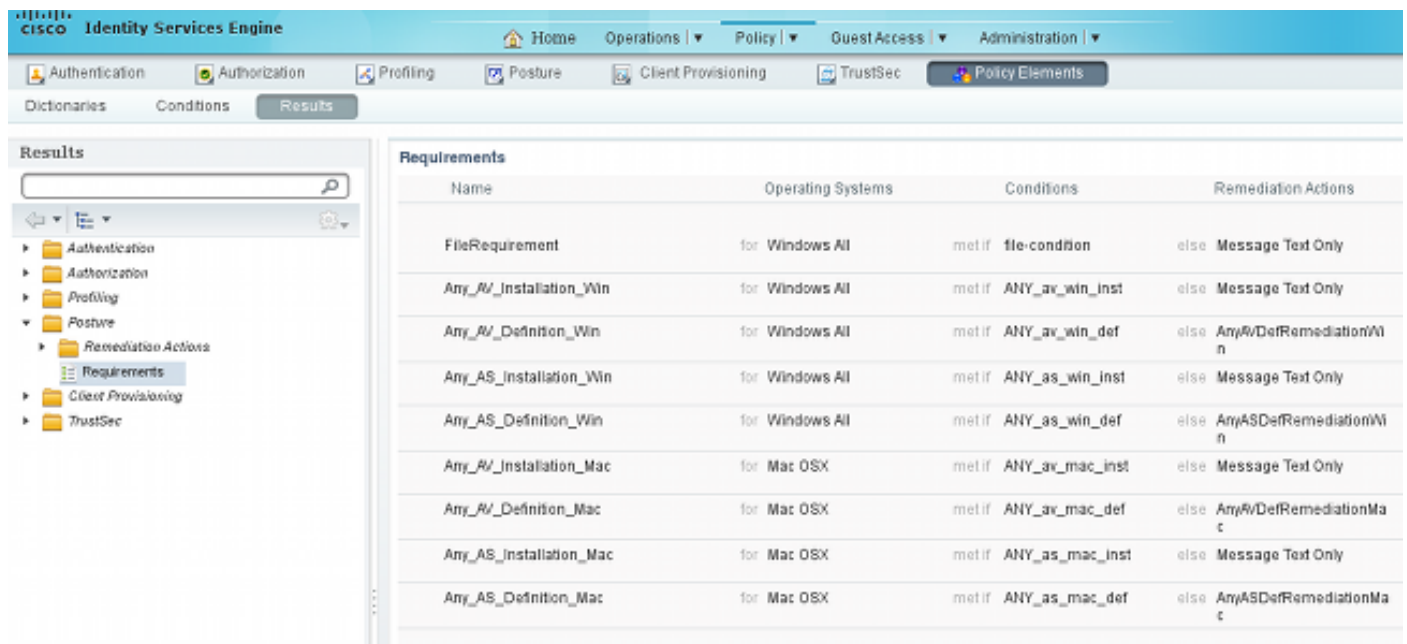
## Step 6. Configure the Posture

NAM and VPN profiles have to be configured externally with the AnyConnect profile editor and imported into ISE. But the Posture is fully configured on ISE.

Navigate to **Policy > Conditions > Posture > File Condition**. You can see that a simple condition for file existence has been created. You must have that file in order to be compliant with the policy verified by the Posture module:



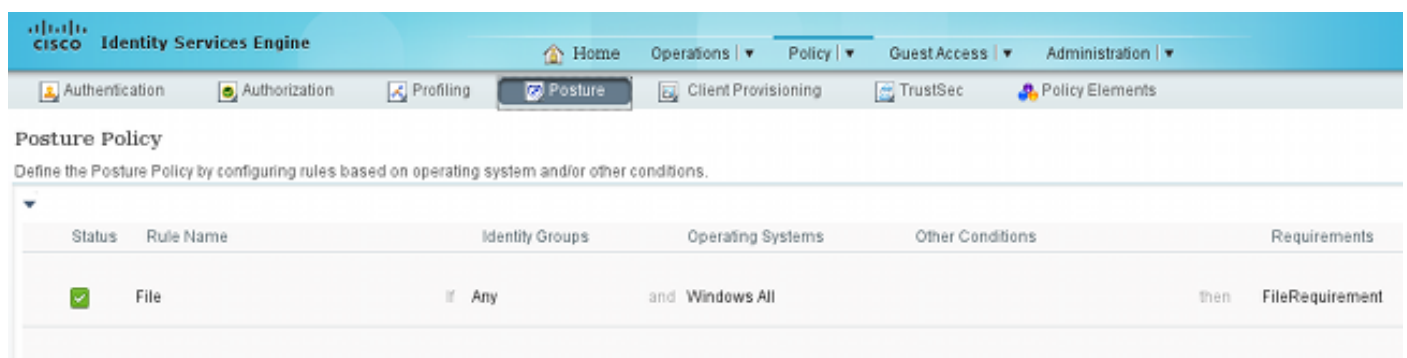
This condition is used for a requirement:



The screenshot shows the Cisco Identity Services Engine (ISE) interface. The top navigation bar includes Home, Operations, Policy, Guest Access, and Administration. The left sidebar shows a tree view with Authentication, Authorization, Profiling, Posture, Client Provisioning, TrustSec, and Policy Elements. The main content area displays a table of requirements.

Name	Operating Systems	Conditions	Remediation Actions
FileRequirement	for Windows All	met if file-condition	else Message Text Only
Any_RV_Installation_Win	for Windows All	met if ANY_ar_win_inst	else Message Text Only
Any_RV_Definition_Win	for Windows All	met if ANY_ar_win_def	else AnyRvDefRemediationWin
Any_AS_Installation_Win	for Windows All	met if ANY_as_win_inst	else Message Text Only
Any_AS_Definition_Win	for Windows All	met if ANY_as_win_def	else AnyASDefRemediationWin
Any_RV_Installation_Mac	for Mac OSX	met if ANY_ar_mac_inst	else Message Text Only
Any_RV_Definition_Mac	for Mac OSX	met if ANY_ar_mac_def	else AnyRvDefRemediationMac
Any_AS_Installation_Mac	for Mac OSX	met if ANY_as_mac_inst	else Message Text Only
Any_AS_Definition_Mac	for Mac OSX	met if ANY_as_mac_def	else AnyASDefRemediationMac

And the requirement is used in the Posture policy for Microsoft Windows systems:



The screenshot shows the Cisco Identity Services Engine (ISE) interface with the Posture Policy configuration page. The top navigation bar includes Home, Operations, Policy, Guest Access, and Administration. The left sidebar shows a tree view with Authentication, Authorization, Profiling, Posture, Client Provisioning, TrustSec, and Policy Elements. The main content area displays the Posture Policy configuration page.

Posture Policy

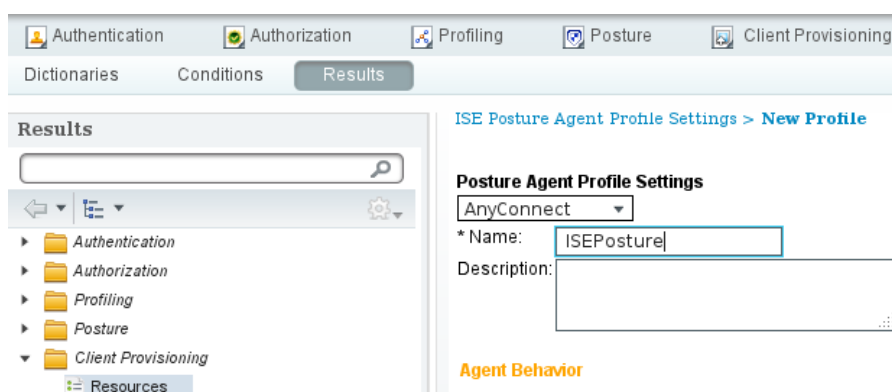
Define the Posture Policy by configuring rules based on operating system and/or other conditions.

Status	Rule Name	Identity Groups	Operating Systems	Other Conditions	Requirements
✓	File	if Any	and Windows All		then FileRequirement

For more information about Posture configuration, refer to [Posture Services on the Cisco ISE Configuration Guide](#).

Once the Posture policy is ready, it is time to add the Posture agent configuration.

1. Navigate to **Policy > Results > Client Provisioning > Resources** and add Network Admission Control (NAC) Agent or AnyConnect Agent Posture Profile.
2. Select AnyConnect (a new Posture module from ISE Version 1.3 has been used instead of the old NAC Agent):



The screenshot shows the Cisco Identity Services Engine (ISE) interface with the Posture Agent Profile Settings page. The top navigation bar includes Home, Operations, Policy, Guest Access, and Administration. The left sidebar shows a tree view with Authentication, Authorization, Profiling, Posture, Client Provisioning, TrustSec, and Policy Elements. The main content area displays the Posture Agent Profile Settings page.

ISE Posture Agent Profile Settings > New Profile

Posture Agent Profile Settings

AnyConnect

\*Name: ISEPosture

Description:

Agent Behavior

- From the Posture Protocol section, do not forget to add \* in order to allow the Agent to connect to all servers.

#### Posture Protocol

Parameter	Value	Notes
PRA retransmission time	120 secs	
Discovery host		
* Server name rules	*	need to be blank by default to force admin to enter a value. "*" means agent will connect to all

- If the Server name rules field is left empty, ISE does not save settings and reports this error:

## Step 7. Configure AnyConnect

At this stage, all of the applications (AnyConnect) and the profile configuration for all modules (VPN, NAM, and Posture) have been configured. It is time to bind it together.

- Navigate to **Policy > Results > Client Provisioning > Resources**, and add AnyConnect Configuration.
- Configure the name and select the compliance module and all required AnyConnect modules (VPN, NAM, and Posture).
- In Profile Selection, choose the profile configured earlier for each module.

The screenshot shows the Cisco ISE Policy Elements configuration page for AnyConnect Configuration. The left sidebar shows the navigation tree with 'Results' selected. The main content area is titled 'AnyConnect Configuration > AnyConnect Configuration'. It contains several configuration fields and sections:

- \* Select AnyConnect Package:** A dropdown menu showing 'AnyConnectDesktopWindows 4.0.48.0'.
- \* Configuration Name:** A text field containing 'AnyConnect Configuration'.
- Description:** A text area for additional details.
- Description Value:** A section for additional configuration details.
- \* Compliance Module:** A dropdown menu showing 'AnyConnectComplianceModuleWindows 3.6.1'.
- AnyConnect Module Selection:** A section with checkboxes for selecting modules:
  - ISE Posture ☒
  - VPN ☒
  - Network Access Manager ☒
  - Web Security ☐
  - ASA Posture ☐
  - Start Before Logon ☐
  - Diagnostic and Reporting Tool ☐
- Profile Selection:** A section with dropdown menus for selecting profiles:
  - \* ISE Posture: A dropdown menu showing 'ISEPosture'.
  - VPN: A dropdown menu showing 'VPN-Profile'.
  - Network Access Manager: A dropdown menu showing 'NAM-Profile'.
  - Web Security: A dropdown menu.
  - Customer Feedback: A dropdown menu.



4. The VPN module is mandatory for all other modules to function correctly. Even if the VPN module is not selected for installation, it will be pushed and installed on the client. If you do not want to use VPN, there is a possibility to configure a special profile for VPN that hides the user interface for the VPN module. These lines should be added to the **VPN.xml** file:

```
<ClientInitialization>
<ServiceDisable>true</ServiceDisable>
</ClientInitialization>
```

5. This kind of profile is also installed when you use **Setup.exe** from iso package (**anyconnect-win-3.1.06073-pre-deploy-k9.iso**). Then, the **VPNDisable\_ServiceProfile.xml** profile for VPN is installed along with the configuration, which disables the user interface for the VPN module.

## Step 8. Client Provisioning Rules

The AnyConnect configuration created in Step 7 should be referenced in the Client Provisioning rules:

Client Provisioning Policy

Define the Client Provisioning Policy to determine what users will receive upon login and user session initiation:  
For Agent Configuration: version of agent, agent profile, agent compliance module, and/or agent customization package.  
For Native Supplicant Configuration: wizard profile and/or wizard. Drag and drop rules to change the order.

Rule Name	Identity Groups	Operating Systems	Other Conditions	Results
AnyconnectWin	If Any	and Windows All	and Condition(s)	then AnyConnect Configuration

Client Provisioning Rules decide which application will be pushed to the client. Only one rule is needed here with the result that points to the configuration created in Step 7. This way, all Microsoft Windows endpoints that are redirected for Client Provisioning will use the AnyConnect configuration with all of the modules and profiles.

## Step 9. Authorization Profiles

The Authorization profile for client provisioning needs to be created. The default Client Provisioning Portal is used:

Authorization Profiles > GuestProvisioning

Authorization Profile

\*Name: GuestProvisioning

Description:

\*Access Type: ACCESS\_ACCEPT

Service Template: ☐

Common Tasks

☒ Web Redirection (CWA, MDM, NSP, CPP)

Client Provisioning (Posture) > ACL: GuestRedirect Value: Client Provisioning Portal



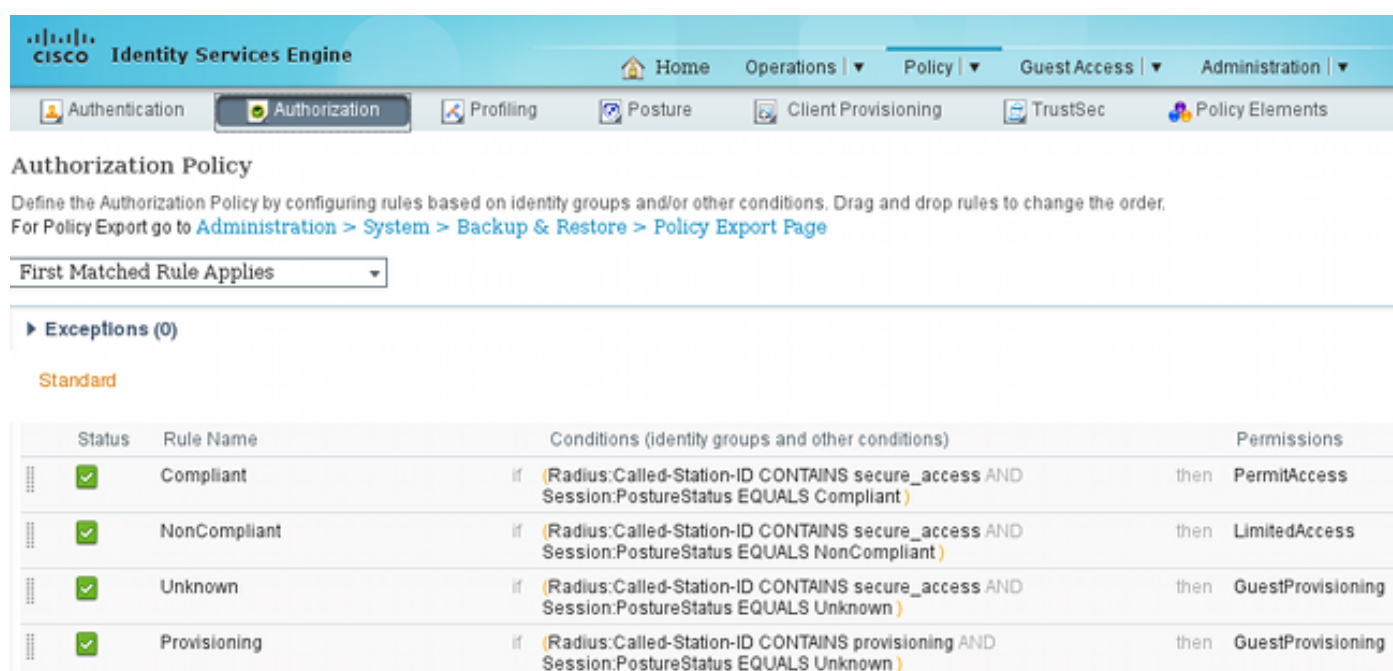
This profile forces the users to be redirected for provisioning to the default Client Provisioning Portal. This Portal evaluates the Client Provisioning Policy (rules created in Step 8). Authorization profiles are the results of Authorization Rules configured in Step 10.

GuestRedirect Access Control List (ACL) is the name of the ACL defined on the WLC. This ACL decides which traffic should be redirected to ISE. For more information, refer to [Central Web Authentication with a Switch and Identity Services Engine Configuration Example](#).

There is also another Authorization profile that provides the limited network access (DACL) for non-compliant users (called LimitedAccess).

## Step 10. Authorization Rules

All those are combined into four Authorization rules:



**Authorization Policy**

Define the Authorization Policy by configuring rules based on identity groups and/or other conditions. Drag and drop rules to change the order. For Policy Export go to [Administration > System > Backup & Restore > Policy Export Page](#)

First Matched Rule Applies

Exceptions (0)

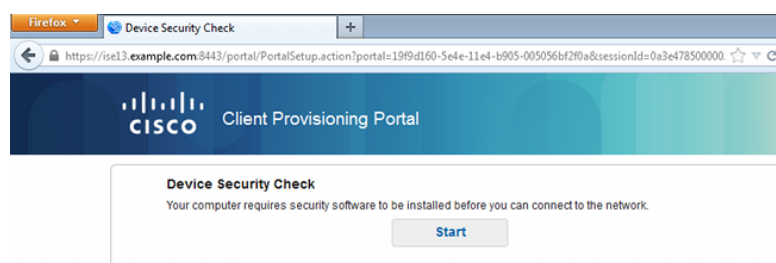
Standard

Status	Rule Name	Conditions (identity groups and other conditions)	Permissions
✓	Compliant	if (Radius:Called-Station-ID CONTAINS secure_access AND Session:PostureStatus EQUALS Compliant )	then PermitAccess
✓	NonCompliant	if (Radius:Called-Station-ID CONTAINS secure_access AND Session:PostureStatus EQUALS NonCompliant )	then LimitedAccess
✓	Unknown	if (Radius:Called-Station-ID CONTAINS secure_access AND Session:PostureStatus EQUALS Unknown )	then GuestProvisioning
✓	Provisioning	if (Radius:Called-Station-ID CONTAINS provisioning AND Session:PostureStatus EQUALS Unknown )	then GuestProvisioning

First you connect to the Provisioning SSID and are redirected for provisioning to a default Client Provisioning Portal (rule named Provisioning). Once you connect to the **Secure\_access** SSID, it still redirects for provisioning if no report from the Posture module is received by ISE (rule named Unknown). Once the endpoint is fully compliant, the full access is granted (rule name Compliant). If the endpoint is reported as non-compliant, it has limited network access (rule named NonCompliant).

## Verify

You associate with the Provisioning SSID, try to access any web page, and are redirected to Client Provisioning Portal:



Firefox Device Security Check

https://ise13.example.com:8443/portal/PortalSetup.action?portal=19f9d160-5e4e-11e4-b905-005056bf2f0a&sessionId=0a3e47850000

**CISCO** Client Provisioning Portal

**Device Security Check**  
Your computer requires security software to be installed before you can connect to the network.


Start

Since AnyConnect is not detected, you are asked to install it:

### Device Security Check


Your computer requires security software to be installed before you can connect to the network.


#### Unable to detect AnyConnect Posture Agent

 **+ This is my first time here**

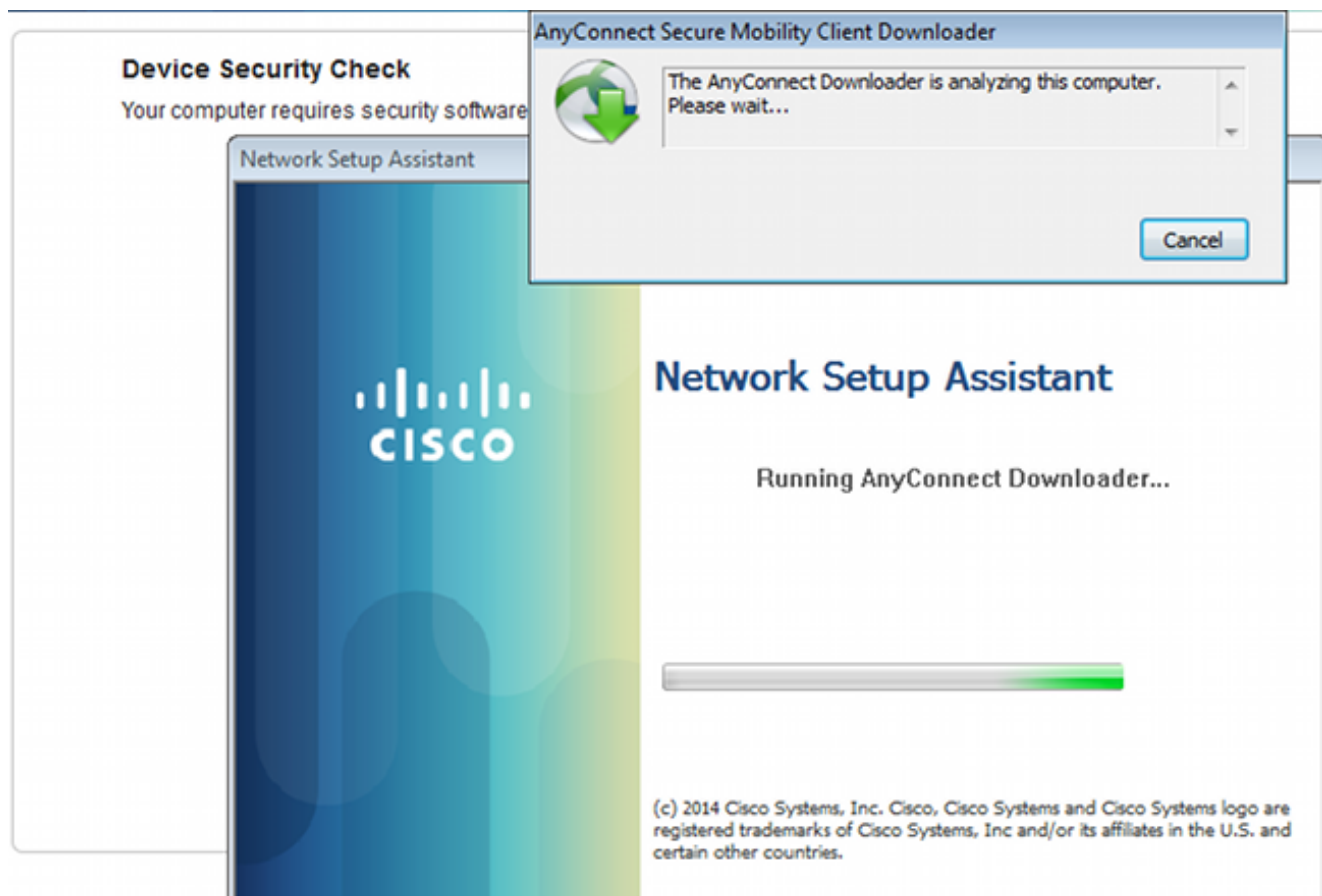
1. You must install AnyConnect to check your device before accessing the network. [Click here to download and install AnyConnect](#)
2. After installation, AnyConnect will automatically scan your device before allowing you access to the network.
3. You have 4 minutes to install and for the system scan to complete.

Tip: Leave AnyConnect running so it will automatically scan your device and connect you faster next time you access this network.

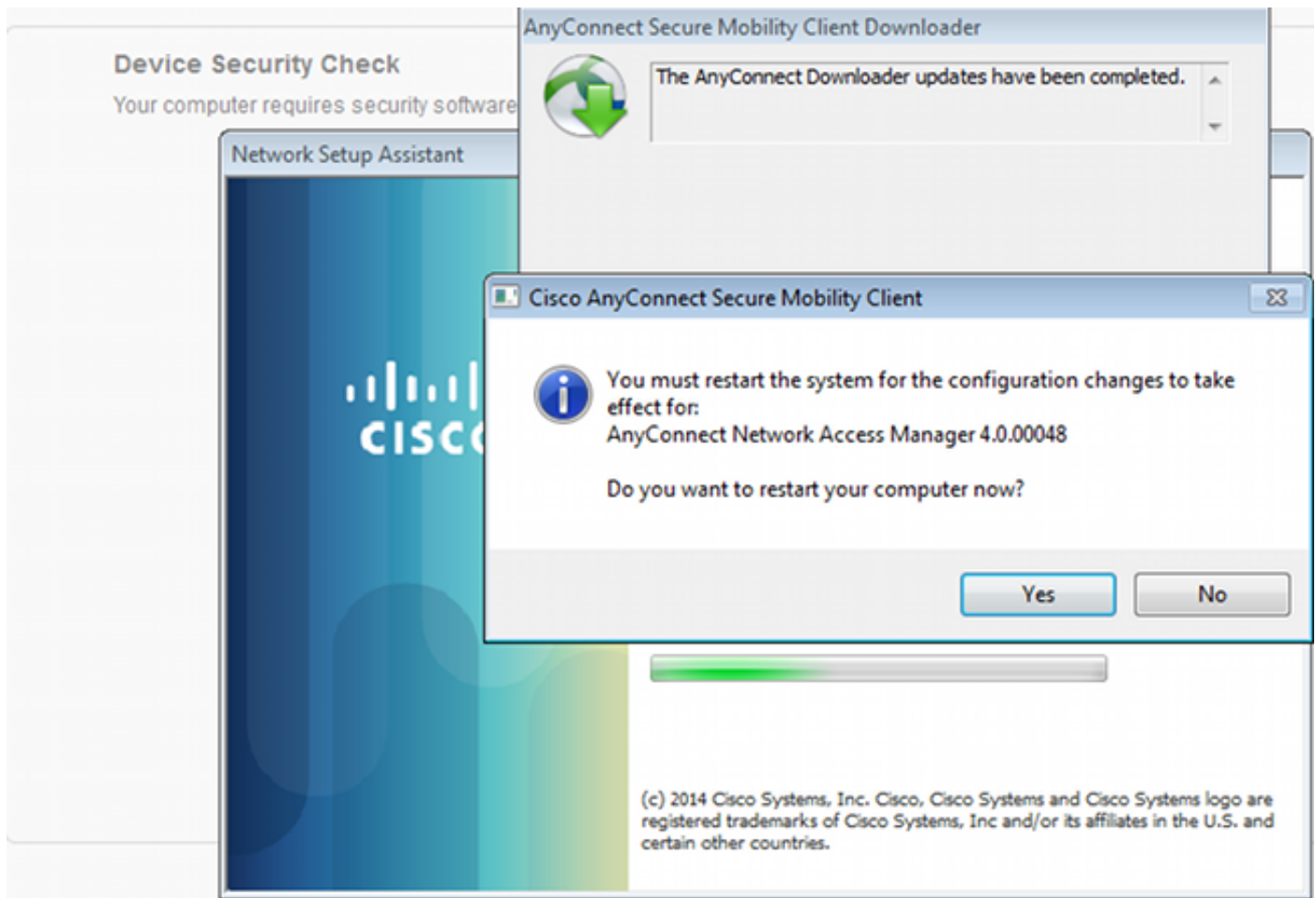
 You have 4 minutes to install and for the compliance check to complete

 **+ Remind me what to do next**

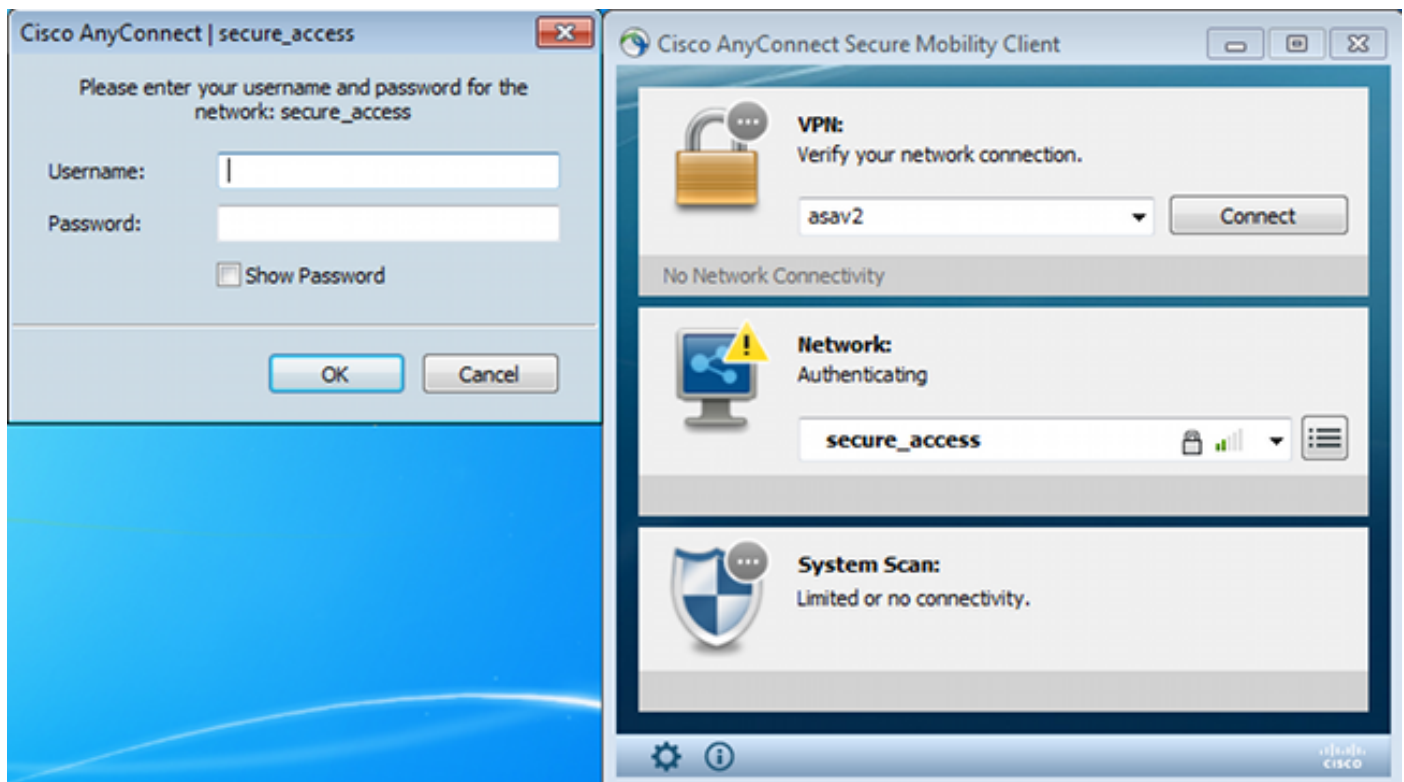
A small application called Network Setup Assistant, which is responsible for the whole installation process, is downloaded. Notice that it is different than the Network Setup Assistant in Version 1.2.



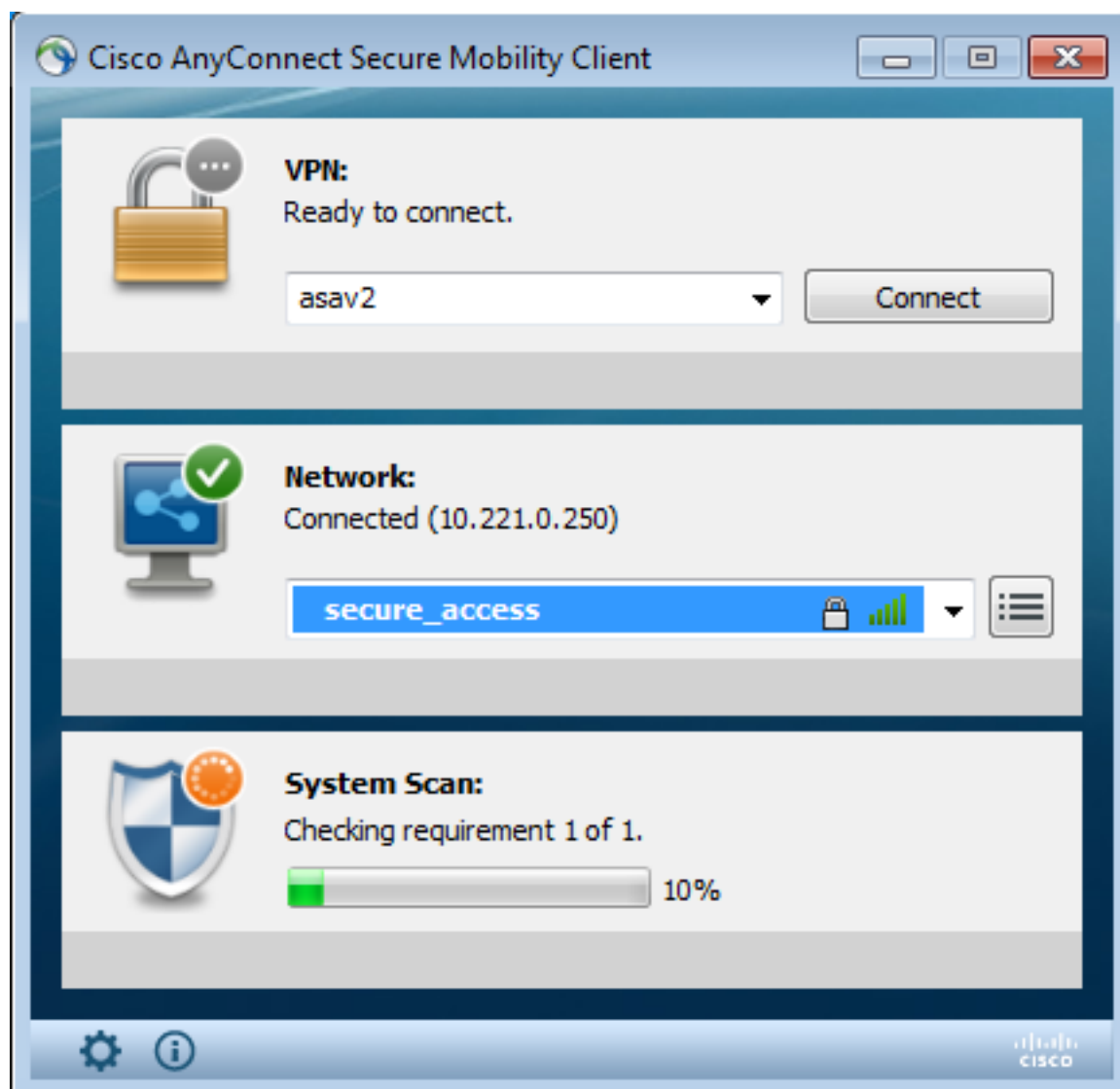
All modules (VPN, NAM, and Posture) are installed and configured. You must reboot your PC:



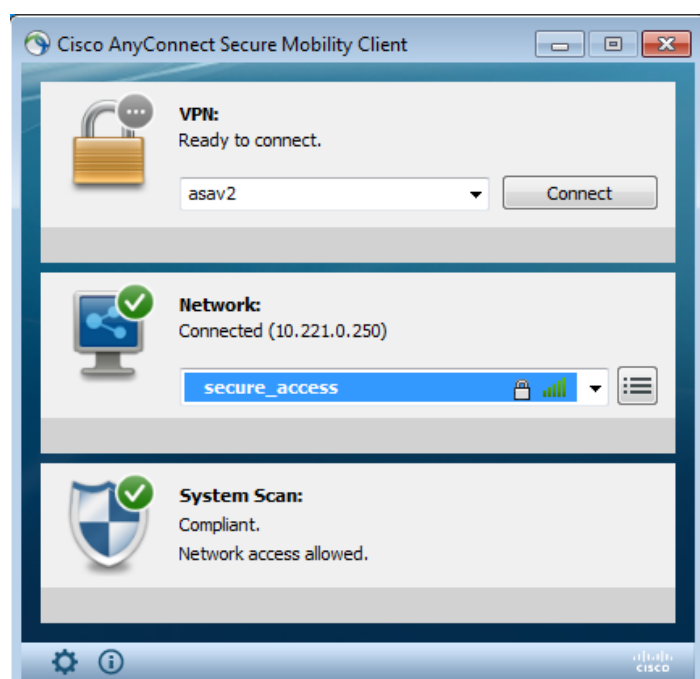
After the reboot, AnyConnect is automatically executed and NAM tries to associate with secure\_access SSID (as per the configured profile). Notice that the VPN profile is correctly installed (asav2 entry for VPN):



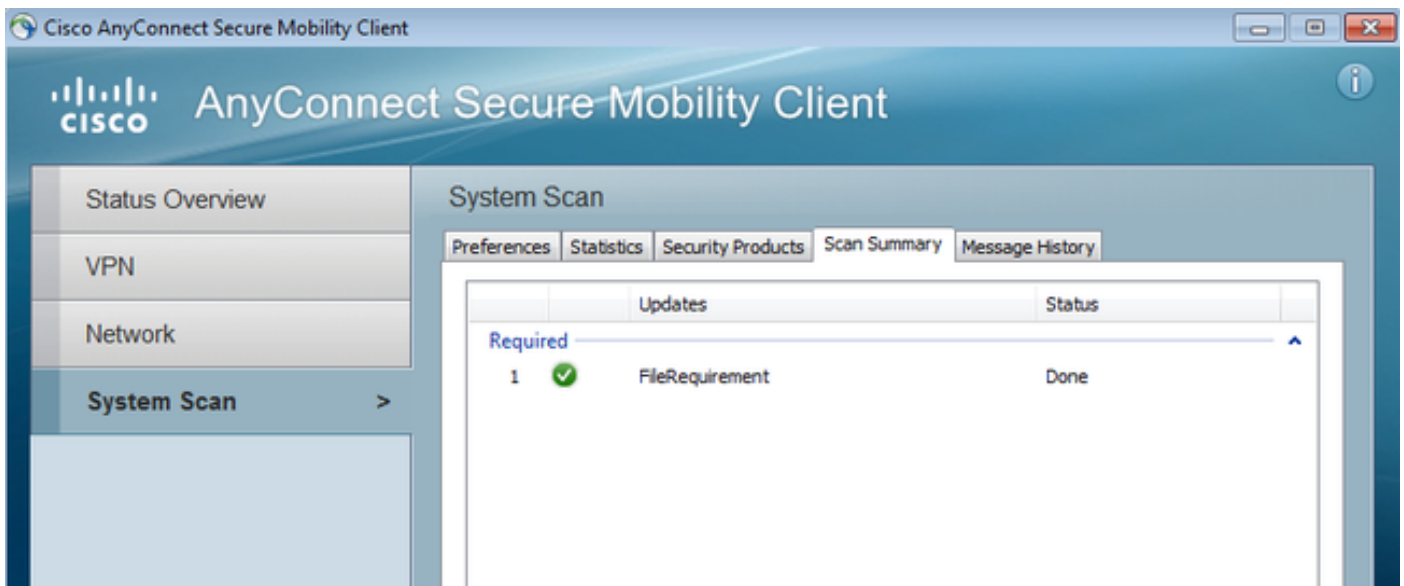
After authentication, AnyConnect downloads updates and also Posture rules for which verification is performed:



At this stage, there might still be limited access (you encounter the Unknown Authorization rule on ISE). Once the station is compliant, that is reported by the Posture module:



The details can be also verified (the FileRequirement is satisfied):



The Message History shows detailed steps:

9:18:38 AM The AnyConnect Downloader is performing update checks...  
9:18:38 AM Checking for profile updates...  
9:18:38 AM Checking for product updates...  
9:18:38 AM Checking for customization updates...  
9:18:38 AM Performing any required updates...  
9:18:38 AM The AnyConnect Downloader updates have been completed.  
9:18:38 AM Update complete.  
9:18:38 AM Scanning system ...  
9:18:40 AM **Checking requirement 1 of 1.**  
9:18:40 AM Updating network settings ...  
9:18:48 AM **Compliant.**

The successful report is sent to ISE, which triggers the Change of Authorization. The second authentication encounters the Compliant rule and full network access is granted. If the Posture report is sent while still associated to the Provisioning SSID, these logs are seen on ISE:

Time	Status	Det...	R...	Identity	Endpoint ID	Authorization Policy	Authorization Profiles	Network Device	Posture Status	Server	Event
2014-11-16 09:32:07...	✓			cisco	CB-4A:00:15:6A:DC	Default >> Compliant	PermitAccess	WLC1	Compliant	ise13	Session State is Started
2014-11-16 09:32:07...	✓			cisco	CB-4A:00:15:6A:DC	Default >> Compliant	PermitAccess	WLC1	Compliant	ise13	Authentication succeeded
2014-11-16 09:32:07...	✓			cisco	CB-4A:00:15:6A:DC	Default >> Compliant	PermitAccess	WLC1	Compliant	ise13	Dynamic Authorization succeeded
2014-11-16 09:31:35...	✗			admin	CB-4A:00:15:6A:DC	Default >> Provisioning	GuestProvisioning	WLC1	Pending	ise13	Authentication failed
2014-11-16 09:29:34...	✓			cisco	CB-4A:00:15:6A:DC	Default >> Provisioning	GuestProvisioning	WLC1	Pending	ise13	Authentication succeeded

The Posture report indicates:

Logged At	Status	Detail	PKA	Identity	Endpoint ID	IP Address	Endpoint OS	Agent	Message
2014-11-16 09:23:25.8	✓	N/A	cisco	cisco	CB-4A:00:15:6A:D	10.221.8.250	Windows 7 Ultimate 64-bit	AnyConnect...	Received a posture report from an endpoint
2014-11-16 09:18:42.2	✓	N/A	cisco	cisco	CB-4A:00:15:6A:D	10.221.8.250	Windows 7 Ultimate 64-bit	AnyConnect...	Received a posture report from an endpoint
2014-11-16 09:16:58.6	✓	N/A	cisco	cisco	CB-4A:00:15:6A:D	10.221.8.250	Windows 7 Ultimate 64-bit	AnyConnect...	Received a posture report from an endpoint
2014-11-16 09:15:17.4	✓	N/A	cisco	cisco	CB-4A:00:15:6A:D	10.221.8.250	Windows 7 Ultimate 64-bit	AnyConnect...	Received a posture report from an endpoint

Detailed reports show the FileRequirement that is satisfied:

### Posture More Detail Assessment

Time Range: From 11/16/2014 12:00:00 AM to 11/16/2014 09:28:48 AM

Generated At: 2014-11-16 09:28:48.404

#### Client Details

Username:	cisco
Mac Address:	C0:4A:00:15:6A:DC
IP address:	10.221.0.250
Session ID:	0a3e4785000002a354685ee2
Client Operating System:	Windows 7 Ultimate 64-bit
Client NAC Agent:	AnyConnect Posture Agent for Windows 4.0.00048
PRA Enforcement:	0
CoA:	Received a posture report from an endpoint
PRA Grace Time:	0
PRA Interval:	0
PRA Action:	N/A
User Agreement Status:	NotEnabled
System Name:	ADMIN-PC
System Domain:	n/a
System User:	admin
User Domain:	admin-PC
AV Installed:	
AS Installed:	Windows Defender;6.1.7600.16385;1.147.1924.0;04/16/2013;

#### Posture Report

Posture Status:	Compliant
Logged At:	2014-11-16 09:23:25.873

#### Posture Policy Details

Policy	Name	Enforcement	Statu	Passed	Failed	Skipped Conditions
File	FileRequirement	Mandatory		file-condition		

## Troubleshoot

There is currently no specific troubleshooting information available for this configuration.

## Related Information

- [Posture services on Cisco ISE Configuration Guide](#)
- [Cisco ISE 1.3 Administrators Guide](#)
- [Technical Support & Documentation - Cisco Systems](#)