

New and Updated Features

The IWAN app for DNA Center operates largely in the same way as it did in its previous release on APIC-EM, but there are some changes to note. The IWAN app integrates the DNA Center functionality, such as defining sites and managing Cisco IOS images.

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Some tasks involve steps in DNA Center and in the IWAN app. Open DNA Center and IWAN app in two separate tabs of a browser to switch between them easily. Refresh the page if necessary to reflect updated information.

The IWAN App High-level Overview provides a summary of tasks related to the IWAN app, and where to execute them.

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Feature/Task	Description		
Global network settings	On the IWAN app home page, the Monitor & Troubleshoot option has been replaced with Create Sites & Configure Global Settings .		
	Hub site is ready. Manage branch sites. Create Sites & Configure Global Settings		
	This option opens the DNA Center > Design > Network Settings page for configuring global settings.		
	Mandatory global settings for using the IWAN app:		
	Netflow Collector server		
	• DNS server		
	Mandatory global settings for DNA Center:		
	• DHCP server		
	Each node in the network hierarchy configured in DNA Center inherits the settings of the parent node, but you can select any node and override the inherited settings.		
	Note Important : In this release, the IWAN app only uses the settings configured at the global level.		
DNA Center behind NAT	DNA Center behind NAT is supported.		
	In the IWAN app > Configure Hub Site & Settings > System tab, configure the DNA Center NAT/proxy IP.		
	The default NAT port (80) is used. In this release, after the NAT address is set, it cannot be changed.		
	Note In earlier releases of theIWAN app, a custom NAT port could be configured.		

New and Updated Features: Configuring network, sites, and devices

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Creating sites and network hierarchy	In DNA Center > Design > Network Hierarchy , define the network hierarchy, including sites, buildings, and floors.			
	The IWAN app uses the leaf nodes (terminal nodes) of the hierarchy as sites within the IWAN app. These may be either buildings or floors.			
	∽ Global 🌣			
	✓ Branch-Dallas			
	✓ Building20			
	Floor1			
	✓ Branch-LasVegas			
	✓ Building10			
	Floor1			
	✓ HQ-East			
	Building-NY-01			
	✓ HQ-West			
	Building-SanFran-01			
	For example, if the following site locations are defined in DNA Center			
	Global > HQ-East > Building-NY-01			
	Global > HQ-West > Building-SanFran-01			
	Global > Branch-Las Vegas > Building10 > Floor1 Global > Branch-Dallas > Building20 > Floor1			
	the IWAN app presents the following sites:			
	Building-NY-01			
	Building-SanFran-01			
	Floor1 Floor1			
	To distinguish nodes with the same name, the IWAN app displays the full path			
	where necessary, when selecting sites. Example:			
	Floor1 Branch-LasVegas/Building10/Floor1			
Setting site location	In DNA Center > Design > Network Hierarchy , select a site or building and configure the geographic location. The location is shown in the IWAN app map view.			
	Note This replaces the Set Geo feature in earlier releases of the IWAN app.			

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Feature/Task	Description		
Inheritance of settings, IWAN app uses only global settings	Each node in the network hierarchy (defined in DNA Center > Design > Network Hierarchy) inherits settings from the parent node.		
	Note In this release, the IWAN app uses only the settings configured at the global level.		
Configuring a hub site	In DNA Center, define hub sites and locations.		
	When configuring a hub site, in the IWAN app > Configure Hub Site & Settings > IWAN Aggregation Site tab, use the dropdown menu to select a hub site from the list of sites configured in DNA Center.		
Adding greenfield devices to branch sites	In the IWAN app > Sites > Devices tab, click the Add Greenfield Device button. This opens DNA Center > Provision > Devices > Inventory.		
	Click Unclaimed Devices and follow the procedure for adding a new greenfield device (Workflow Overview: Adding a Greenfield Device to a Branch Site).		
Adding brownfield devices to branch sites	When adding a brownfield device, select the site name in the IWAN app > Sites > Devices tab > Site Name column.		
	During provisioning, the IWAN app communicates this site assignment for the brownfield device to DNA Center, and the assigned site will appear in the device inventory.		
Deleting a site in the IWAN app	Deleting a site in the IWAN app changes the status of the associated devices in DNA Center.		
	• Greenfield devices discovered by Plug and Play call-home move from Inventory to Unclaimed Devices in DNA Center.		
	• Brownfield devices are removed from the inventory in DNA Center.		
	Note Sites managed by the IWAN app can be removed only from within the IWAN app, and not directly through DNA Center.		
Cisco IOS image management	Manage Cisco IOS images to be used for provisioning new devices, in DNA Center > Design > Images Repository.		
	Note This replaces the Certified IOS Releases tab in earlier releases of the IWAN app.		

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Service Assurance and application health	Service Assurance is a feature of DNA Center, used for evaluating network and client health.		
	DNA Center > Assurance		
	Note	• Earlier releases of the IWAN app included a beta-version Service Assurance feature, activated by an Assurance button in the map view.	
		• Earlier releases of the IWAN app displayed application health information in an Application Health tab for each site. See DNA Center for information about site traffic.	

New and Updated Features: Monitoring

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