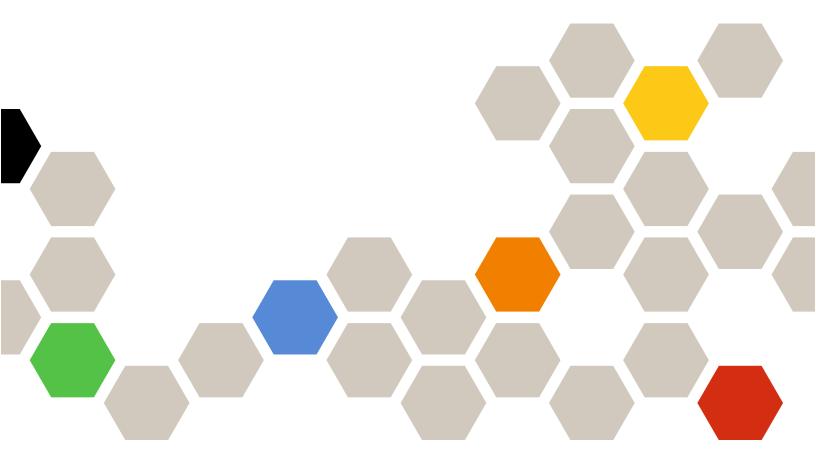


# Lenovo XClarity Integrator for Microsoft Windows Admin Center Installation and User Guide



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#### Note:

Before using this information and the product it supports, read the information in Appendix A "Notices" on page 69.

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# About this publication

This publication provides instructions on installing Lenovo<sup>®</sup> XClarity Integrator for Microsoft<sup>®</sup> Windows Admin Center (hereinafter referred to as LXCI for WAC), and using its integrated features to manage the servers in your environment.

## **Conventions and terminology**

Paragraphs that start with a bold **Note** are notices with specific meanings that highlight key information.

Note: These notices provide important tips, guidance, or advice.

The following table describes some of the terms and acronyms used in this document.

| Term                                     | Acronym | Definition   |
|--|---------|--|
| Baseboard Management<br>Controller       | BMC     | A specialized service processor that monitors the physical state of a computer, network server or other hardware device by using sensors, and by communicating with the system administrator. The BMC is a part of the Intelligent Platform Management Interface (IPMI), and is contained in the system board or the main circuit board of the device to be monitored. |
| Chassis Management<br>Module             | СММ     | A service processor used to configure and manage components in a Flex chassis.   |
| Compute node                             | /       | An independent server supported in a Flex chassis. The compute<br>node contains one or more microprocessors, memories, storages,<br>and network controllers. It is equipped with its own operating system<br>and applications.   |
| Features on Demand                       | FoD     | A tool that activates features without installing hardware or connecting to other devices.   |
| Host Bus Adapter                         | НВА     | The host system that connects a computer to other network and storage devices.   |
| Integrated Management<br>Module          | ІММ     | A custom BMC that developed by Lenovo. IMM consolidates the service processor functionality, Super I/O, video controller, and remote presence capabilities into a single chip on the server system board.  |
| Lenovo XClarity<br>Administrator         | LXCA    | A hardware management tool packaged as an appliance for monitoring and managing the Lenovo servers or network products.  |
| Lenovo XClarity Integrator               | LXCI    | A tool suite that enables IT administrators to integrate the management features of the Lenovo servers with Microsoft Admin Center.  |
| Unified Extensible<br>Firmware Interface | UEFI    | A specification that details the interface between the operating<br>system and the platform firmware at boot time. It is not specific to any<br>processor architecture.  |

| Term                 | Acronym | Definition  |
|----------------------|---------|---|
| Windows Admin Center | WAC     | An evolution of Windows Server in-box management tool. WAC is a single pane of glass that consolidates all aspects of local and remote server management.   |
| XClarity Controller  | XCC     | The next generation of custom BMC developed by Lenovo. XCC<br>enhances the current functions of IMM, and provides more functions.<br>For example, HTML, enhanced remote presence capabilities, REST<br>API (Redfish schema), and so on. |

## Web resources

The following Web sites provide the resources for understanding, using, and troubleshooting Lenovo XClarity Integrator, Lenovo XClarity Administrator, the Flex System servers, and the System x servers.

#### Lenovo XClarity Integrator for Windows Admin Center

This Web site provides the latest information about Lenovo XClarity Integrator for Windows Admin Center:

Lenovo XClarity Integrator for Windows Admin Center Web site

#### System Management with Lenovo XClarity Solutions

This Web site provides an overview of the Lenovo XClarity solutions that integrate System x and Flex System hardware to provide the system management capability:

• System Management with Lenovo XClarity Solution Web site

#### Lenovo technical support portal

This Web site assists you in locating support for hardware and software:

Lenovo Support Portal Web site

#### Lenovo ServerProven pages

The following Web sites assist you to obtain information about hardware compatibility:

• Lenovo ServerProven: Compatibility for hardware, applications, and middleware

#### Microsoft Windows Admin Center Web site

This Web site provides the detailed information about Microsoft Windows Admin Center (WAC):

• Microsoft Windows Admin Center Web site

#### ThinkAgile MX Certified Node Best Recipe

This Web site provides the ThinkAgile MX certified node best recipe:

• ThinkAgile MX Certified Node Best Recipe

# Chapter 1. Overview

Lenovo XClarity Integrator for Microsoft Windows Admin Center (LXCI for WAC) is a plug-in that integrates functions for managing, monitoring, and updating the Lenovo servers and their components with Windows OS or software application management system. It supports to view Lenovo server hardware and firmware inventories, events, alerts, and health status, update firmware/driver, cluster-aware rolling update of firmware/driver for Windows cluster nodes, display Lenovo ThinkAgile MX server topology view, and facilitate storage pool operations through wizards. Lenovo XClarity Administrator (LXCA) (optional) streamlines the Lenovo server management job, especially for large-scale deployment.

## System requirements

This topic lists the system requirements for the Lenovo XClarity Integrator.

#### Prepare your environment

Lenovo XClarity Integrator is an extension of Windows Admin Center. It works in the same environment as Windows Admin Center. For more information, refer to Windows Admin Center and Install Windows Admin Center.

#### Supported software

| Software type                 | Software version                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Windows Admin Center          | 2110, 2110.2, 2211                                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lenovo XClarity Administrator | 3.0.0, 3.1.0, 3.1.1, 3.2.0, 3.3.0, 3.4.0, 3.5.0, 3.6.0 |  |  |  |  |  |

#### Supported operating systems

| Server type           | Windows version | Windows Server version | Azure Stack HCI version |
|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Management server     | 10, 11          | 2016, 2019, 2022       | /                       |
| (installed with LXCI) |                 |                        |                         |
| Managed server        | /               | 2016, 2019, 2022       | 20H2, 21H2, 22H2        |
| (managed by LXCI)     |                 |                        |                         |

#### Supported Web browser

| Web browser type   | Web browser version            |  |  |  |  |
|--|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Google Chrome  | 93.0.4577.82 or later versions |  |  |  |  |
| Microsoft Edge   | 93.0.961.52 or later versions  |  |  |  |  |
| Note: I XCI for WAC saves some settings in local database of your browser. To prevent the lost of your saved |                                |  |  |  |  |

**Note:** LXCI for WAC saves some settings in local database of your browser. To prevent the lost of your saved settings, do not clear cookies and site data.

#### Port requirements

Depending on the firewall in your environment, several ports should be available. If these ports are blocked or used by another process, some Lenovo XClarity Integrator functions might not work.

- All out-bounding connections initialized from Windows Admin Center are allowed.
- Lenovo XClarity Integrator does not require any additional in-bounding connections other than those required by Windows Admin Center.

#### Supported hardware

Supported hardware is listed in the following table.

**Note:** Some features are supported only by specific server models. Refer to Features supported by specific server models.

| System             | Server models  |  |
|--------------------|--|--|
| Lenovo ThinkSystem | <ul> <li>SD530 (7X20, 7X21, 7X22)</li> <li>SD630 V2 (7D1K)</li> <li>SD650 (7X58)</li> <li>SD650 V2 (7D1M)</li> <li>SD650-N V2 (7D1N)</li> <li>SN550 (7X16)</li> <li>SN550 V2 (7Z69)</li> <li>SN850 (7X15)</li> <li>SR250 (7Y51, 7Y52) (worldwide except India)</li> <li>SR250 (7Y72, 7Y73) (India only)</li> <li>SR250 V2 (7D7Q, 7D7R, 7D7S)</li> <li>SR258 (7Y53)</li> <li>SR550 (7X07, 7X08)</li> <li>SR550 (7X07, 7X08)</li> <li>SR550 (7X03, 7X04)</li> <li>SR570 (7Y02,7Y03)</li> <li>SR590 (7X98,7X99)</li> <li>SR630 V2 (7Z70, 7Z71)</li> <li>SR635 (7Y98, 7Y99)</li> <li>SR645 (7D2X, 7D2Y)</li> <li>SR650 (7X05, 7X06)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>SR650 V2 (7Z72, 7Z73)</li> <li>SR655 (7Y00, 7Z01)</li> <li>SR665 (7D2V, 7D2W)</li> <li>SR670 (7Y36, 7Y37, 7Y38)</li> <li>SR670 V2 (7Z22, 7Z23)</li> <li>SR850 (7X18, 7X19)</li> <li>SR850 V2 (7D31, 7D32, 7D33)</li> <li>SR850P (7D2F, 7D2G, 7D2H)</li> <li>SR860 (7X69, 7X70)</li> <li>SR860 V2 (7Z59, 7Z60, 7D42)</li> <li>SR950 (7X11, 7X12, 7X13)</li> <li>ST250 (7Y45, 7Y46)</li> <li>ST250 V2 (7D8F, 7D8G, 7D8H)</li> <li>ST258 (7Y47)</li> <li>ST558 (7Y15, 7Y16) (China only)</li> <li>ST650 V2/ST658 V2 (China only) (7Z74, 7Z75, 7Z76)</li> <li>SR158 (7Y55)</li> <li>SE350 (7Z46, 7D1X, 7D27, 7D1R)</li> </ul> |
| Lenovo ThinkAgile  | <ul> <li>MX Series appliance server (7D19, 7D1B, 7D2U, 7D5R, 7D5S, 7D5T, 7D66, 7D67, 7D6B, 7Z20)</li> <li>SXM Series appliance server (9565, 7Y34)</li> </ul>  |  |
| Lenovo ThinkServer | <ul> <li>nx360 M5 (5465)</li> <li>sd350 M5 (5493)</li> </ul>   |  |
| Lenovo ThinkEdge   | • SE450 (7D8T)   |  |

#### Table 1. Supported hardware (continued)

| System             | Server models  |  |
|--------------------|--|--|
| Lenovo Flex System | <ul> <li>x240 Compute Node(7162, 2588)</li> <li>x240 M5 Compute Node (2591, 9532)</li> <li>x440 Compute Node (7167, 2590)</li> <li>x280, x480, x880 X6 Compute Node (7196, 4258)</li> </ul>  |  |
| Lenovo System x    | <ul> <li>x3250 M6 (3633, 3943)</li> <li>x3500 M5 (5464)</li> <li>x3550 M5 (5463, 8869)</li> <li>x3630 M4 (8103)</li> <li>x3650 M5 (8871, 5462)</li> <li>x3750 M4 (8753)</li> <li>x3850 X6 (6241)</li> <li>x3950 X6 (6241)</li> </ul> |  |

#### Features supported by specific server models

The following table lists the features that are supported only by specific server models.

| Table 2. Features supported by specific server models | s supported by specific server m | odels |
|---|----------------------------------|-------|
|---|----------------------------------|-------|

| Feature  | Server models supporting the feature   |  |
|--|--|--|
| Storage Spaces<br>Direct (Azure Stack<br>HCI) cluster disk<br>management | <ul> <li>ThinkAgile MX3520 appliance on SR650 (7D5R)</li> <li>ThinkAgile MX certified node on SR650 (7Z20)</li> <li>ThinkSystem SR650 (7X05, 7X06)</li> </ul>  |  |
| System update with best recipes  | <ul> <li>ThinkAgile MX1020 appliance on SE350 (7D5S, 7D5T)</li> <li>ThinkAgile MX1021 certified node on SE350 (7D1B, 7D2U)</li> <li>ThinkAgile MX3330 appliance on SR630 V2 (7D19)</li> <li>ThinkAgile MX3331 certified node on SR630 V2 (7D67)</li> <li>ThinkAgile MX3530 appliance on SR650 V2 (7D6B)</li> <li>ThinkAgile MX3531 certified node on SR650 V2 (7D66)</li> <li>ThinkAgile MX3520 appliance on SR650 (7D5R)</li> <li>ThinkAgile MX certified node on SR650 (7Z20)</li> </ul> |  |

Table 2. Features supported by specific server models (continued)

| Feature                               | Server models supporting the feature   |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| Azure Stack HCI<br>cluster deployment | ThinkAgile MX1020 appliance on SE350 (7D5S, 7D5T)  |  |
|                                       | ThinkAgile MX1021 certified node on SE350 (7D1B, 7D2U)   |  |
|                                       | ThinkAgile MX3330 appliance on SR630 V2 (7D19)   |  |
|                                       | ThinkAgile MX3331 certified node on SR630 V2 (7D67)  |  |
|                                       | ThinkAgile MX3520 appliance on SR650 (7D5R)  |  |
|                                       | ThinkAgile MX3530 appliance on SR650 V2 (7D6B)   |  |
|                                       | ThinkAgile MX3531 certified node on SR650 V2 (7D66)  |  |
|                                       | ThinkAgile MX certified node on SR650 (7Z20)   |  |
|                                       | <ul> <li>ThinkSystem SE350 (7Z46, 7D1X, 7D27, 7D1R)</li> </ul>   |  |
|                                       | • ThinkSystem SR630 V2 (7Z70, 7Z71)  |  |
|                                       | <ul> <li>ThinkSystem SR650 (7X05, 7X06)</li> </ul>   |  |
|                                       | • ThinkSystem SR650 V2 (7Z72, 7Z73)  |  |
|                                       | Note: The Microsoft Azure Stack HCI operating system must be used to support this feature.   |  |
|                                       | ThinkAgile MX1020 appliance on SE350 (7D5S, 7D5T)  |  |
|                                       | ThinkAgile MX1021 certified node on SE350 (7D1B, 7D2U)   |  |
|                                       | ThinkAgile MX3330 appliance on SR630 V2 (7D19)   |  |
|                                       | ThinkAgile MX3331 certified node on SR630 V2 (7D67)  |  |
|                                       | ThinkAgile MX3520 appliance on SR650 (7D5R)  |  |
|                                       | ThinkAgile MX3530 appliance on SR650 V2 (7D6B)   |  |
| Cluster-Aware<br>Updating (CAU)       | ThinkAgile MX3531 certified node on SR650 V2 (7D66)  |  |
| opualing (CAO)                        | ThinkAgile MX certified node on SR650 (7Z20)   |  |
|                                       | <ul> <li>ThinkSystem SE350 (7Z46, 7D1X, 7D27, 7D1R)</li> </ul>   |  |
|                                       | • ThinkSystem SR630 V2 (7Z70, 7Z71)  |  |
|                                       | • ThinkSystem SR650 (7X05, 7X06)   |  |
|                                       | • ThinkSystem SR650 V2 (7Z72, 7Z73)  |  |
|                                       | Note: The Microsoft Azure Stack HCI operating system must be used to support this feature.   |  |
| Native OS<br>management               | This feature is supported by most server models except for ThinkServer or ThinkSystem SR635 (7Y98,7Y99)/SR655 (7Y00, 7Z01) servers.  |  |
|                                       | Notes:   |  |
|                                       | <ul> <li>IPMI over KCS Access, Ethernet Over USB, and REST/CIM Over HTTPS must be enabled<br/>to support this feature.</li> </ul>  |  |
|                                       | • By default, native OS management is disabled for servers enabled with Storage Spaces<br>Direct. You can enable it by referring to "Configuring native OS management" on page 10. |  |

# Chapter 2. Installing Lenovo XClarity Integrator

This chapter describes how to install, update, and uninstall Lenovo XClarity Integrator.

## Installing Lenovo XClarity Integrator

This section describes how to install Lenovo XClarity Integrator.

Lenovo XClarity Integrator can be installed as an extension. Users can select one of the following installation ways:

- Install Lenovo XClarity Integrator from Windows Admin Center Feed. Refer to "Installing Lenovo XClarity Integrator from Windows Admin Center Feed" on page 5.
- Install Lenovo XClarity Integrator from a local shared folder. Refer to "Installing Lenovo XClarity Integrator from a local shared folder" on page 5.

## Installing Lenovo XClarity Integrator from Windows Admin Center Feed

This section describes how to install Lenovo XClarity Integrator from Windows Admin Center Feed.

Note: For more information, refer to Install and Manage Extensions.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to Windows Admin Center.
- Step 2. Click the settings icon in the top right corner. The Settings page is displayed.
- Step 3. On the Settings page, click **Extensions** in the left navigation pane. The **Extensions** pane is displayed.
- Step 4. In the Extensions pane:
  - a. Click the Feeds tab.
  - b. On the Feeds tab, click Add. The Add package source pane is displayed on the right.
  - c. In the Add package source pane, input https://aka.ms/sme-extension-feed, and click Add.

Note: If this Web site is in the Package feeds area, select this Web site.

- Step 5. Return to the Extensions pane:
  - a. Click the Available extensions tab.
  - b. On the **Available extensions** tab, select **Lenovo XClarity Integrator** from the list. The license information will be displayed.
  - c. Read the license information. If you accept the license information, click Install.
  - d. When the "Install this extension?" window is displayed, click **Confirm** to continue. When a notification prompts Lenovo XClarity Integrator is installed, you can work with Lenovo XClarity Integrator.

## Installing Lenovo XClarity Integrator from a local shared folder

This section describes how to install Lenovo XClarity Integrator from a local shared folder.

- Step 1. Download the installation package (Invgy\_sw\_xclarity\_integrator\_for\_wac.\*.nupkg) from the windows-admin-center-feed site or Lenovo WAC home page.
- Step 2. Put the installation package into a shared folder. For example, //localhost/sharedFolder.
- Step 3. Log in to Windows Admin Center.
- Step 4. Click the settings icon in the top right corner. The Settings page is displayed.
- Step 5. On the Settings page, click **Extensions** in the left navigation pane. The **Extensions** pane is displayed.
- Step 6. In the Extensions pane:
  - a. Click the Feeds tab.
  - b. On the Feeds tab, click Add.The Add package source pane is displayed on the right.
  - c. In the Add package source pane, input the shared folder path, and click Add.
- Step 7. Return to the Extensions pane:
  - a. Click the **Available extensions** tab.
  - b. On the **Available extensions** tab, select **Lenovo XClarity Integrator** from the list. The license information will be displayed.
  - c. Read the license information. If you accept the license information, click Install.
  - d. When the "Install this extension?" window is displayed, click **Confirm** to continue. When a notification prompts Lenovo XClarity Integrator is installed, you can work with Lenovo XClarity Integrator.

## **Updating Lenovo XClarity Integrator**

This section describes how to update Lenovo XClarity Integrator.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to Windows Admin Center.
- Step 2. Click the settings icon in the top right corner. The Settings page is displayed.
- Step 3. On the Settings page, click **Extensions** in the left navigation pane. The **Extensions** pane is displayed.
- Step 4. In the Extensions pane:
  - a. Click the **Installed extensions** tab.
  - b. On the **Installed extensions** tab, select the Lenovo XClarity Integrator with the status "Update available (version)".
  - c. Click Update.
  - d. When the "Update this extension?" window is displayed, click **Confirm** to continue.

## **Uninstalling Lenovo XClarity Integrator**

This section describes how to uninstall Lenovo XClarity Integrator.

#### Procedure

Step 1. Log in to Windows Admin Center.

- Step 2. Click the settings icon in the top right corner. The Settings page is displayed.
- Step 3. On the Settings page, click **Extensions** in the left navigation pane. The **Extensions** pane is displayed.
- Step 4. In the Extensions pane:
  - a. Click the **Installed extensions** tab.
  - b. On the Installed extensions tab, select Lenovo XClarity Integrator from the list.
  - c. Click Uninstall.
  - d. When the "Uninstall this extension?" window is displayed, click **Confirm** to continue.

## **Updating Lenovo XClarity Integrator settings**

This section describes how to update Lenovo XClarity Integrator settings, including supported LXCA versions and information about supported Lenovo servers.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. In any of Lenovo extensions, click the more icon in the top right corner. A menu is displayed.
- Step 2. In the menu, click **Settings**.
- Step 3. On the Update page, click **Check Updates** to check online or click the **here** link to manually download and import the update file.
- Step 4. Click **Close** after you finish updating the settings.

## **Checking and installing updates**

This section describes how to check and install updates.

You can use this function to check and download available component updates from Lenovo Web site and install them. These updates are used to improve functions of Lenovo XClarity Integrator or fix bugs. For example, you can update Lenovo XClarity Administrator Compatibility Configuration File to support later versions of Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

You can choose either of the following installation ways:

- "Checking and installing the latest updates from Lenovo Web site" on page 7
- "Installing local updates" on page 8
- "Checking change history" on page 8

Note: WAC will automatically check whether the update is available after the Lenovo extension is input.

## Checking and installing the latest updates from Lenovo Web site

- Step 1. In any of Lenovo extensions, click the more icon in the top right corner. A menu is displayed.
- Step 2. In the menu, click **Settings**  $\rightarrow$  **Update**.
- Step 3. On the Update page, do one or more of the following:
  - Enable or disable Check update automatically or Install update automatically.

Note: By default, if Check update automatically is disabled, Install update automatically will be disabled and hidden.

- Click Check Updates to import the latest updates.
- Click Install Updates to download and install updates.

## Installing local updates

#### Procedure

- Step 1. In any of Lenovo extensions, click the more icon in the top right corner. A menu is displayed.
- Step 2. In the menu, click **Settings**  $\rightarrow$  **Update**.
- Step 3. On the Update page, click **Manually download and import updates** to manually download and import the update file.

The Install an update page is displayed.

- Step 4. On the Install an update page, right-click the download link and select **Save link as...** to download the update file.
- Step 5. Select the update file you downloaded from the Lenovo Web site.
- Step 6. Click Install Updates to install it.

## **Checking change history**

- Step 1. In any of Lenovo extensions, click the more icon in the top right corner. A menu is displayed.
- Step 2. In the menu, click Settings → Update → Change history.
- Step 3. On the Change history page, you can check the update time, method, original version, and target version of components.

# Chapter 3. Configuring Lenovo XClarity Integrator

This chapter describes how to configure Lenovo XClarity Integrator settings.

## **Collecting usage data**

This section describes how you can help us improve the product by sending us usage data.

We collect information about how you use the product and basic statistics about the servers managed by Windows Admin Center. We will never collect any sensitive or personal information. The information will help us improve user experience of the product. You can select whether to send the information to us or not by doing the following steps.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. In any of Lenovo extensions, click the more icon in the top right corner. A menu is displayed.
- Step 2. In the menu, click Settings.
- Step 3. On the Privacy page, select whether you want to send usage data to us or not.
- Step 4. Click Apply.

## **Configuring HTTP Proxy settings**

This section describes how you can configure HTTP Proxy settings for Internet access.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. In any of Lenovo extensions, click the more icon in the top right corner. A menu is displayed.
- Step 2. In the menu, click **Settings**.
- Step 3. On the Internet Access page:
  - If there is no need to use HTTP Proxy:
    - 1. Leave the HTTP Proxy configuration as the default.
    - 2. Click Test URL.

A success message will be displayed if the Internet access test passes.

- 3. Click Close.
- If you would like to enable HTTP Proxy:
  - 1. Enable HTTP Proxy.
  - 2. Specify the Proxy server host and port.
  - 3. Enable authentication as required.
  - 4. If authentication is enabled, specify the user name and password.
  - 5. Click Test URL.

A success message will be displayed if the Internet access test passes.

6. Click Apply.

## **Configuring log settings**

This section describes how you can configure log settings.

# To configure the log level and maximum disk space occupied by logs for the Windows Admin Center plug-in, do the following:

- Step 1. In any of Lenovo extensions, click the more icon in the top right corner. A menu is displayed.
- Step 2. In the menu, click Settings.
- Step 3. On the Log Configuration page:
  - a. Configure the log level, which can be FATAL, ERROR, WARN, INFO, or DEBUG.

**Note: FATAL** is the highest log level while **DEBUG** is the lowest. Logs with a level higher than the configured log level will all be reported in the log file as well.

- b. Configure the maximum log size on the disk based on your disk capacity.
- c. Click Apply.

Step 4. You can click **Download** to download the log files provided.

After configuring log settings for the Windows Admin Center plug-in, you may also configure the log level for the Cluster-Aware Updating plug-in.

## **Configuring native OS management**

This section describes how you can enable or disable native OS management for servers enabled with Storage Spaces Direct.

Native OS management is a way to manage your hardware when no Lenovo XClarity Administrator is available. To use this function, log in to the XCC Web GUI and enable IPMI over KCS Access, Ethernet Over USB, and REST/CIM Over HTTPS.

Native OS management is inapplicable to ThinkServer and ThinkSystem SR635/SR655 servers. For servers enabled with Storage Spaces Direct, native OS management is disabled by default, but you can perform the following steps to enable native OS management for them.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. In any of Lenovo extensions, click the more icon in the top right corner. A menu is displayed.
- Step 2. In the menu, click **Settings**.
- Step 3. On the Native OS Management page, do one or more of the following:
  - To enable or disable the native OS management for servers enabled with Storage Spaces Direct, select **Yes** or **No, thanks** and click **Apply**.
  - To set the valid period of inventory cache data, input the number of minutes and click Apply.

#### Notes:

- The range of the valid period is from 10 to 525600 minutes.
- The default value is 10080 minutes.

## **Managing credentials**

This section describes how to add, edit, and delete user account credentials for Windows systems, clusters, Lenovo XClarity Controllers, Lenovo XClarity Administrators and so on.

#### Procedures

Step 1. Do one of the following to go to the Credential Manager page:

- In any of Lenovo extensions, click the more icon on the top right corner, and then click
   Settings → Credential Manager from the menu.
- On the Report Problem page, go to the Specify your credentials page and click **Open credential manager**. For more information, see "Reporting problem" on page 63.
- Step 2. On the Credential Manager page, do one or more of the following:
  - To add a credential:
    - 1. Click Add. The Add a credential page is displayed.
    - 2. On the Add a credential page, input user name, password, and description, and click Apply.
  - To edit a credential:
    - 1. Select the target credential from the credential list.
    - 2. Click Edit. The Edit a credential page is displayed.
    - 3. On the Edit a credential page, update the password or description and click Apply.
  - To delete a credential:
    - 1. Select the target credential from the credential list.
    - 2. Click **Delete**. The Delete Credentials window is displayed.
    - 3. In the Delete Credentials window, click **OK**.

## Configuring the system language/region

This section describes how you can switch the system language and region. Currently, languages supported include German, English, Spanish, French, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Brazilian Portuguese, Russian, Simplified Chinese, and Traditional Chinese.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to Windows Admin Center.
- Step 2. Click the settings icon in the top right corner. The Settings page is displayed.
- Step 3. On the Settings page, click **Language / Region** in the left navigation pane. The **Language / Region** pane is displayed.
- Step 4. In the Language / Region pane, select the desired language and region, and then click Save and reload.

The system is then reloaded and displayed in the language selected.

# Chapter 4. Managing servers and chassis through Lenovo XClarity Integrator

This chapter describes how to manage servers and chassis through Lenovo XClarity Integrator.

If your server is installed without any OS, you are recommended to manage it through Lenovo XClarity Integrator. This requires you to connect to Lenovo XClarity Administrator first. Refer to "Connecting to a new or existing Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 13.

If your server is already installed with an OS, you are recommended to manage it through Server Manager or Cluster Manager. Refer to Chapter 5 "Managing servers through Server Manager" on page 29 or Chapter 6 "Managing servers through Cluster Manager" on page 35.

## **Connecting to Lenovo XClarity Administrator**

This chapter descries how to connect to and remove Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

For more information about installing and setting up Lenovo XClarity Administrator, refer to System Management with Lenovo XClarity Solution Web site.

## Connecting to a new or existing Lenovo XClarity Administrator

This section describes how to connect to a new or existing Lenovo XClarity Administrator in Lenovo XClarity Integrator.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to Windows Admin Center.
- Step 2. In the top left corner, click the drop-down list arrow on the right of **Windows Admin Center**.
- Step 3. Click Lenovo XClarity Integrator. The All Connections page is displayed.
- Step 4. On the All Connections page, users can do one or more of the following:
  - To connect to a new Lenovo XClarity Administrator:
    - 1. Click Add. The Add a Connection pane is displayed on the right.
    - 2. In the Add a Connection pane, select Connect to a Lenovo XClarity Administrator.
    - 3. In the **Connect to Lenovo XClarity Administrator** pane, input the IP address, user name, and password. Then, click **Submit**. The Lenovo XClarity Administrator is connected.
  - To connect to an existing Lenovo XClarity Administrator:
    - 1. Click Credential Needed in the Status column. The Connect to Lenovo XClarity Administrator pane is displayed on the right.
    - 2. In the **Connect to Lenovo XClarity Administrator** pane, input the user name and password.
    - 3. Click **Submit**. The Lenovo XClarity Administrator is connected.

Notes:

- When inputting the user name and password in the **Connect to Lenovo XClarity Administrator** pane, refer to the user privilege or permission requirements for specific actions. Ensure that the user provided has enough permissions to perform desired operations.
- The version of Lenovo XClarity Administrator should be v2.3.6, v2.4, v2.6, or later to allow LDAP users to log in.

## **Removing Lenovo XClarity Administrator**

This section describes how to remove Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to Windows Admin Center.
- Step 2. In the top left corner, click the drop-down list arrow

on the right of Windows Admin Center.

- Step 3. Click Lenovo XClarity Integrator. The All Connections page is displayed.
- Step 4. On the All Connections page:
  - a. Select one or more Lenovo XClarity Administrators that you want to remove.
  - b. Click **Remove**.

**Note:** After the Lenovo XClarity Administrator is removed from Lenovo XClarity Integrator, the servers managed by Lenovo XClarity Administrator will not be removed from Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

## Adding Lenovo rack or tower servers

This section describes how to add one or more Lenovo rack or tower servers to Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Connect to a Lenovo XClarity Administrator. Refer to "Connecting to a new or existing Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 13.
- Step 2. Return to the All Connections page, and click **Add**. The **Add a Connection** pane is displayed on the right.
- Step 3. In the Add a Connection pane, select Manage Lenovo Rack or Tower Servers. The Choose a Lenovo XClarity Administrator pane is displayed.
- Step 4. Select a connected Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

Note: If no Lenovo XClarity Administrator is connected, an error message will be displayed.

- Step 5. In the Manage Lenovo Rack or Tower Servers pane:
  - a. Input a BMC IP address, click the add icon +, and input another BMC IP address. Repeat this step until all rack or tower servers are added.
  - b. Input the user name and password.
  - c. Click Manage.

## Adding a Lenovo chassis

This section describes how to add a Lenovo chassis to Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

Note: The Flex compute nodes in Lenovo chassis cannot be discovered or managed separately.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Connect to a Lenovo XClarity Administrator. Refer to "Connecting to a new or existing Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 13.
- Step 2. Return to the All Connections page, and click **Add**. The **Add a Connection** pane is displayed on the right.
- Step 3. In the Add a Connection pane, select Manage a Lenovo Chassis. The Choose a Lenovo XClarity Administrator pane is displayed.
- Step 4. Select a connected Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

Note: If no Lenovo XClarity Administrator is connected, an error message will be displayed.

- Step 5. In the Manage a Lenovo Chassis pane:
  - a. Input the CMM IP address, user name, and password.
  - b. Input the recovery password for the CMM recovery ID twice.
  - c. Click Manage.

#### Notes:

- When you manage a chassis, the CMM is configured to authenticate users with the Lenovo XClarity Administrator (local CMM user accounts are no longer valid). The RECOVERY\_ID is important because it enables you to access the CMM directly if there are issues with the Lenovo XClarity Administrator. Make sure that you write down the password that you specify and store it in a secure location.
- The recovery password should meet the CMM password policy.
- After the chassis is added, only the servers of this chassis will be displayed in Lenovo XClarity Integrator. You can view and manage the servers by using the same way as viewing and managing the rack or tower servers.

## Powering on, powering off, and restarting one or more servers

This section describes how to power on, power off, and restart one or more servers.

#### Notes:

- This process takes a few minutes. A job will be created when the process starts. To view the results, click the Jobs icon 🗐 in the top right corner and click **Persistent Jobs**.
- The server in the "Unknown", "Offline", or "Pending" status cannot be powered on, powered off, or restarted.

- Step 1. Connect to a Lenovo XClarity Administrator. Refer to "Connecting to a new or existing Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 13.
- Step 2. Return to the All Connections page, and click the drop-down list arrow on the left of the Lenovo XClarity Administrator IP address. All managed servers are displayed.
- Step 3. Users can do one or more of the following:
  - To power on, power off, and restart one server:
    - 1. Select one server.
    - 2. Click Power On, Power Off, or Reboot.

**Note:** Alternatively, you can also power on, power off, and restart a server on the Lenovo Server page. For more information, refer to "Powering on, powering off, and restarting a server" on page 24.

- To power on, power off, and restart several servers:
  - 1. Select several servers.
  - 2. Click **Power On**, **Power Off**, or **Reboot**.

Step 4. When the Warning window is displayed, click **Yes** to continue.

## Launching the remote control

In Lenovo XClarity Integrator, you can remotely manage the Lenovo servers through the remote control session, including the ThinkSystem, ThinkAgile, ThinkServer, NeXtScale, Converge, Flex System, and System x servers, for example, powering on, powering off the servers, and mounting a local or remote drive in the local console. This section describes how to launch the remote control for a server.

#### Notes:

- Alternatively, you can also launch the remote control for a server on the Lenovo Server page. For more information, refer to "Launching the remote control on the Lenovo Server page" on page 23.
- You cannot launch the remote control for the server in the "Unknown", "Offline", or "Pending" status.

#### Before you begin

If your server is the ThinkServer, Converged, Flex System, NeXtScale, or System x server, ensure that:

- Your server is connected to Internet.
- Your server is running on the following operating systems (either 32-bit or 64-bit):
  - Microsoft Windows 7
  - Microsoft Windows 8
  - Microsoft Windows 10
  - Microsoft Windows 11
- A Java Runtime Environment (JRE) with Java WebStart support is installed. The following JREs are supported.
  - Oracle JRE 7 (see Oracle Java download Web site)
  - Oracle JRE 8, which requires a paid license (see Oracle Java download Web site)
  - Adopt OpenJDK 8 with the IcedTea-Web v1.8 plugin (see the Adopt OpenJDK Web site, IcedTea-Web Web site, and IcedTea-Web usage Web site)

Note: For the ThinkSystem and ThinkAgile servers, JRE is not required.

- An FoD key for ThinkServer System Manager Premium Upgrade is installed on the ThinkServer servers. For more information, refer to "Viewing the Feature on Demand keys" on page 27.
- An FoD key for remote presence is installed on the Converged, NeXtScale, and System x servers. For more information, refer to "Viewing the Feature on Demand keys" on page 27.

#### Procedure

Step 1. Connect to a Lenovo XClarity Administrator. Refer to "Connecting to a new or existing Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 13.

- Step 2. Return to the All Connections page, and click the drop-down list arrow on the left of the Lenovo XClarity Administrator IP address. All managed servers are displayed.
- Step 3. Select a server.
- Step 4. Click Launch Remote Control.
- Step 5. When the security warning prompts, click Accept.

## Viewing the warranty information of all managed servers

This section describes how to view the warranty information of all managed servers.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Connect to a Lenovo XClarity Administrator. Refer to "Connecting to a new or existing Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 13.
- Step 2. Return to the All Connections page, and click in front of the Lenovo XClarity Administrator IP address.

All servers managed by the Lenovo XClarity Administrator are listed.

Step 3. In the server list, you can view **Warranty Status** and **Warranty Expired Date** of all managed servers.

**Note:** Alternately, you can view the overall information (including the warranty information) of a server on the Lenovo Server page. For more information, refer to "Viewing the overall information of a server" on page 19.

## **Collecting service data**

This section describes how to collect the service data of Lenovo XClarity Integrator.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. In any of Lenovo extensions, click the more icon in the top right corner. A menu is displayed.
- Step 2. In the menu, click **Collect Service Data**.
- Step 3. When the Warning window is displayed, click Yes to continue.

### **Removing the servers**

This section describes how to remove servers from Lenovo XClarity Integrator and Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

- Step 1. Connect to a Lenovo XClarity Administrator. Refer to "Connecting to a new or existing Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 13.
- Step 2. Return to the All Connections page, and click the drop-down list arrow on the left of Lenovo XClarity Administrator IP address. All managed servers are displayed.
- Step 3. Select one or more servers.
- Step 4. Click Unmanage.
- Step 5. When the Warning window is displayed, click **Yes** to continue.

**Note:** When one or more Flex servers are removed, their parent chassis and the other managed servers of this chassis will also be removed.

## Managing a server

This section describes how to manage a server and its components on the Lenovo Server page.

In this section, you can:

- View the overall information of a server. Refer to "Viewing the overall information of a server" on page 19.
- Sync the inventory. Refer to "Syncing the inventory of a server" on page 19.
- Update firmware for a server. Refer to "Updating firmware for a server" on page 19.
- Update firmware for multiple servers. Refer to "Updating firmware for multiple servers" on page 21.
- Launch the remote control on the Lenovo Server page. Refer to "Launching the remote control on the Lenovo Server page" on page 23.
- Power on, power off, and restart a server. Refer to "Powering on, powering off, and restarting a server" on page 24.
- Launch management controller interface. Refer to "Launching the management controller interface for a server" on page 24.
- Manage the inventory data. Refer to "Managing the inventory" on page 24.
- View the alerts. Refer to "Managing the alerts" on page 25.
- View the event logs. Refer to "Managing the event logs" on page 25.
- View the audit logs. Refer to "Managing the audit logs " on page 26.
- View the power consumption and temperature. Refer to "Viewing the power consumption and temperature" on page 26.
- View the FoD keys. Refer to "Viewing the Feature on Demand keys" on page 27.
- Manage service data. Refer to "Managing service data of a server" on page 27.

## Logging in to the Lenovo Server page

Before managing a specific server, you should log in to the Lenovo Server page first. This section describes how to log in to the Lenovo Server page of a server.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Connect to a Lenovo XClarity Administrator. Refer to "Connecting to a new or existing Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 13.
- Step 2. Return to the All Connections page, and click the drop-down list arrow on the left of Lenovo XClarity Administrator IP address. All managed servers are displayed.
- Step 3. Click the name of the server on the list. The Lenovo Server page of this server is displayed.

#### Notes:

- If Lenovo XClariy Administrator is disconnected from the server, the server status might be "Unknown" or "Offline", and you cannot log in to the Lenovo Server page. In this case, add this server to the Lenovo XClarity Administrator again.
- After the server is added to Lenovo XClarity Administrator, the status might be "Pending" for a few minutes. After this process is completed, you can log in to the Lenovo Server page by clicking the name of this server.

• When the server status is "Offline", you cannot log in to the Lenovo Server page.

## Viewing the overall information of a server

This section describes how to view the overall information of a managed server on the Lenovo Server page.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Lenovo Server page. Refer to "Logging in to the Lenovo Server page" on page 18.
- Step 2. In the **Summary** pane of the Lenovo Server page, users can do one or more of the following:
  - To view product name, user defined name, status, type model, host names (BMC), and IP addresses (BMC), click the **Summary** tab.
  - To view the information of processors, memory, and PCI cards, click the Installed Devices tab.
  - To view warranty number, start date, expiration date, and status, click the Warranty tab.

**Note:** Alternately, you can view the warranty information of all managed servers on the All Connections page. For more information, refer to "Viewing the warranty information of all managed servers" on page 17.

## Syncing the inventory of a server

For a server, syncing the inventory is different from refreshing the inventory. When syncing the inventory, Lenovo XClarity Integrator obtains the inventory information from the server management module. This process takes a few minutes. When refreshing the inventory, Lenovo XClarity Integrator obtains the inventory information from the cache for customer experience and performance concern. This section describes how to sync the inventory of the components of a managed server on the Lenovo Server page.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Lenovo Server page. Refer to "Logging in to the Lenovo Server page" on page 18.
- Step 2. In the **Summary** pane of the Lenovo Server page, click **Sync Inventory**. The latest inventory information of components will be displayed.

## Updating firmware for a server

You can perform a firmware update job on a server through Lenovo XClarity Integrator, even if the server is installed without any OS.

The following features are supported in the Updates pane:

Compliance Policies

If a compliance policy is used, users can still determine components in the policy to be updated for a specific server or all servers in a cluster. It is only available when the server is managed by Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

Latest Updates

This method does not use any policy, and users need to select a target version for each component to be updated. The target version must be later than the current installed version.

• Update Logs

The **Update Logs** pane supports to delete, cancel, or retry the update jobs of current cluster nodes or servers.

#### Procedure

Step 1. Connect to a Lenovo XClarity Administrator. Refer to "Connecting to a new or existing Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 13.

- Step 2. Return to the All Connections page, and click the drop-down list arrow on the left of Lenovo XClarity Administrator IP address. All managed servers are displayed.
- Step 3. Click the name of the server on the list. The Lenovo Server page of this server is displayed. In the **Menu** pane of the Lenovo Server page, click **Updates**.
- Step 4. In the **Updates** pane, select one of the following update methods:
  - To assign a compliance policy for firmware updates:
    - 1. Click Compliance Policies.
    - 2. Select a policy from the drop-down list.

#### Notes:

- You can click Show Compliance Policy Definition to view firmware updates in the policy.
- You can click in front of the device to view firmware updates applicable to it in the policy. If **Compliance** is **Compliant** for a component, the installed version is already the same as or even higher than the target update version in the policy. Therefore, components with **Compliance** being **Not Compliant** are recommended to be updated.
- 3. Click Install Updates.
- To select a target version for each component to be updated:
  - 1. Click Latest Updates.
  - 2. Do one of the following:
    - To view the latest firmware and driver updates, click **Reload local repository**.
    - To perform firmware and driver updates, select a target catalog or a target update package, and click **Install Updates**.
    - To manage local repository, click **Manage local repository**, and do one of the following:
      - To refresh catalog, select one or more target catalogs, and click **Refresh Catalog**.
      - To download the update packages, select one or more target catalogs or update packages, and click **Download**.
      - To delete the update packages, select one or more target machine types or update packages, and click **Delete**.
      - To filter out firmware updates or driver updates only, click Firmware & Driver, and select Firmware or Driver.
      - To filter out updates for Windows or Linux only, click Windows & Linux, and select Windows or Linux.
- To delete, cancel, or retry the update jobs of current cluster nodes or servers:
  - 1. Click **Update Logs**.
  - 2. Do one of the following:
    - To delete the update job, select one or more update jobs, and click **Delete**.
    - To cancel the update job, select one or more scheduled update jobs, and click Cancel.
    - To retry the update job, select an update job in **Failed**, **Stopped**, or **Cancelled** status, and click **Retry**.
- Step 5. On the **Update Selection** tab, select or deselect components to be updated.
  - a. Select or deselect components to be updated in the **Select Items** pane.

#### Notes:

• You can click  $\stackrel{<}{}$  at the upper right corner of the **Select Items** pane to expand the **Preview** pane, where you can remove a component by clicking  $\times$ .

- Operations on the **Select Items** and **Preview** panes are synchronized in real time.
- b. (Optional) Enable **Forced update** as needed if you would like to update firmware on the selected components even if the installed version is already up to date or later than the target version for update.

#### Notes:

- It's not allowed to apply firmware of earlier versions to device options, adapters, or disk drives.
- Forced update is not available if Latest Updates is used.
- c. Click Next.
- Step 6. On the **Update Download** tab, download or import update packages as required, and then click **Next**.
- Step 7. On the **Options** tab, name and schedule the update job. Then, click **Next**.
- Step 8. On the **Summary** tab, check the information about the update job, including the components to be updated, job name, schedule, and assigned policy if any.
- Step 9. Click Submit.

The system then navigates to the Persistent Job page, where you can check the status of the update job.

#### Notes:

- If you close the Persistent Job page, or close the update wizard at any time, the system will then navigate back to the page before the update wizard is opened.
- To view the update history from any extension, refer to "Viewing the persistent jobs" on page 23.

## Updating firmware for multiple servers

Through Lenovo XClarity Integrator, you can perform a batch firmware update job on multiple servers, including servers installed without any OS.

Before performing a batch firmware update job, ensure that the servers belong to the same machine type and are managed by the same Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

The following features are supported in the Updates pane:

Compliance Policies

If a compliance policy is used, users can still determine components in the policy to be updated for a specific server or all servers in a cluster. It is only available when the server is managed by Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

Latest Updates

This method does not use any policy, and users need to select a target version for each component to be updated. The target version must be later than the current installed version.

Update Logs

The **Update Logs** pane supports to delete, cancel, or retry the update jobs of current cluster nodes or servers.

#### Procedure

Step 1. Connect to a Lenovo XClarity Administrator. Refer to "Connecting to a new or existing Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 13.

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- Step 2. Return to the All Connections page, and click the drop-down list arrow on th XClarity Administrator IP address. All managed servers are displayed.
- Step 3. Select the servers to be updated in batches and click **Firmware Update** from the action pane above the server list. The firmware update wizard is displayed.
- Step 4. Select one of the following update methods:
  - To assign a compliance policy for firmware updates:
    - 1. Click Compliance Policies.
    - 2. Select a policy from the drop-down list.

#### Notes:

- You can click Show Compliance Policy Definition to view firmware updates in the policy.
- You can click in front of the device to view firmware updates applicable to it in the policy. If **Compliance** is **Compliant** for a component, the installed version is already the same as or even higher than the target update version in the policy. Therefore, components with **Compliance** being **Not Compliant** are recommended to be updated.
- 3. Click Install Updates.
- To select a target version for each component to be updated:
  - 1. Click Latest Updates.
  - 2. Do one of the following:
    - To view the latest firmware and driver updates, click **Reload local repository**.
    - To perform firmware and driver updates, select a target catalog or a target update package, and click **Install Updates**.
    - To manage local repository, click Manage local repository, and do one of the following:
      - To refresh catalog, select one or more target catalogs, and click **Refresh Catalog**.
      - To download the update packages, select one or more target catalogs or update packages, and click **Download**.
      - To delete the update packages, select one or more target machine types or update packages, and click **Delete**.
      - To filter out firmware updates or driver updates only, click Firmware & Driver, and select Firmware or Driver.
      - To filter out updates for Windows or Linux only, click Windows & Linux, and select Windows or Linux.
- To delete, cancel, or retry the update jobs of current cluster nodes or servers:
  - 1. Click Update Logs.
  - 2. Do one of the following:
    - To delete the update job, select one or more update jobs, and click **Delete**.
    - To cancel the update job, select one or more scheduled update jobs, and click Cancel.
    - To retry the update job, select an update job in **Failed**, **Stopped**, or **Cancelled** status, and click **Retry**.
- Step 5. On the **Update Selection** tab, select or deselect components to be updated.
  - a. Select or deselect components to be updated in the **Select Items** pane.

#### Notes:

• You can click  $\checkmark$  at the upper right corner of the **Select Items** pane to expand the **Preview** pane, where you can remove a component by clicking  $\times$ .

- Operations on the **Select Items** and **Preview** panes are synchronized in real time.
- b. (Optional) Enable **Forced update** as needed if you would like to update firmware on the selected components even if the installed version is already up to date or later than the target version for update.

#### Notes:

- It's not allowed to apply firmware of earlier versions to device options, adapters, or disk drives.
- Forced update is not available if Latest Updates is used.
- c. Click Next.
- Step 6. On the **Update Download** tab, download or import update packages as required, and then click **Next**.
- Step 7. On the **Options** tab, name and schedule the update job. Then, click **Next**.
- Step 8. On the **Summary** tab, check the information about the update job, including the components to be updated, job name, schedule, and assigned policy if any.
- Step 9. Click Submit.

The system then navigates to the Persistent Job page, where you can check the status of the update job.

#### Notes:

- If you close the Persistent Job page, or close the update wizard at any time, the system will then navigate back to the page before the update wizard is opened.
- To view the update history from any extension, refer to "Viewing the persistent jobs" on page 23.

## Viewing the persistent jobs

In any of Lenovo extensions, click the Jobs icon 🚝 in the top right corner, and click **Persistent Jobs**.

The Jobs pane is displayed on the right.

## Launching the remote control on the Lenovo Server page

This section describes how to launch the remote control for a ThinkSystem, ThinkAgile, ThinkServer, NeXtScale, Converge, Flex System, and System x server on the Lenovo Server page.

#### Notes:

- Alternatively, you can also launch the remote control on the All Connections page. For more information, refer to "Launching the remote control" on page 16.
- You cannot launch the remote control for the server in the "Unknown", "Offline", or "Pending" status.

#### Before you begin

For more information, refer to "Launching the remote control" on page 16.

- Step 1. Log in to the Lenovo Server page. Refer to "Logging in to the Lenovo Server page" on page 18.
- Step 2. In the **Summary** pane of the Lenovo Server page, click **Launch Remote Control**.
- Step 3. When the security warning prompts, click Accept.

## Powering on, powering off, and restarting a server

This section describes how to power on, power off, and restart a server on the Lenovo Server page.

#### Notes:

- Alternatively, you can also power on, power off, and restart a server on the All Connections page. For more information, refer to "Powering on, powering off, and restarting one or more servers" on page 15.
- This process takes a few minutes. A job will be created when the process starts. To view the results, click the Jobs icon 💷 on the top right corner of the Lenovo Server page, and click **Persistent Jobs**.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Lenovo Server page. Refer to "Logging in to the Lenovo Server page" on page 18.
- Step 2. In the **Summary** pane of the Lenovo Server page, click **Power On**, **Power Off**, or **Reboot**.
- Step 3. When the Warning window is displayed, click Yes to continue.

## Launching the management controller interface for a server

This section describes how to launch the management controller interface for a server on the Lenovo Server page.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Lenovo Server page. Refer to "Logging in to the Lenovo Server page" on page 18.
- Step 2. In the **Summary** pane of the Lenovo Server page:
  - a. Click the **Summary** tab.
  - b. On the **Summary** tab, select an IP address in the **IP address (BMC)** area. The management controller interface will be displayed.
  - c. In the management controller interface, input the BMC user name and password, and click **Log In**.

## Managing the inventory

This section describes how to view, sync, and download the inventory data, and check the firmware updates of a server on the Lenovo Server page.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Lenovo Server page. Refer to "Logging in to the Lenovo Server page" on page 18.
- Step 2. On the Lenovo Server page, click **Inventory** in the left navigation pane. The **Inventory** pane is displayed.
- Step 3. In the Inventory pane, users can do one or more of the following:
  - To obtain the latest inventory data, click **Sync Inventory**.
  - To check the firmware updates, click Reload Local Repository. You can then check the Latest in Repository column in the Firmware area to view the latest local firmware updates available. If you want to view latest firmware updates on Web, refer to Chapter 8 "Managing the system updates repository" on page 59.

#### Notes:

 This process requires access to Internet. If the firewall is activated in your network, configure firewall to enable the servers managed by Lenovo XClarity Administrator to perform these operations. For more information about firewall and proxy servers of Lenovo XClarity Administrator, refer to Firewalls and proxy servers.

- This process takes a few minutes.
- The Lenovo ThinkServer servers do not support this feature.
- To download the inventory data:
  - 1. Click Export.
  - 2. When the "How do you want to open this file?" window is displayed, click **Save**. The inventory data will be saved in your local file.

## Managing the alerts

This section describes how to view and download the alerts of a server on the Lenovo Server page.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Lenovo Server page. Refer to "Logging in to the Lenovo Server page" on page 18.
- Step 2. On the Lenovo Server page, click **Alerts** in the left navigation pane. The **Alerts** pane is displayed.
- Step 3. In the **Alerts** pane, users can do one or more of the following:
  - To view the details of an alert:
    - 1. Select an alert from the Alerts list. The information of this alert will be displayed below the list.
    - 2. Users can do one or more of the following:
      - To view the property information, click the Properties tab.
      - To view the description and solution of this alert, click the **Details** tab.
  - To download the alerts data:
    - 1. Click Export.
    - 2. When the "How do you want to open this file?" window is displayed, click **Save**. The alerts data will be saved in your local file.
  - To view more columns in the Alerts list:
    - 1. Click Customize Columns. The Customize Alerts Columns pane is displayed on the right.
    - 2. Select one or more columns that you want to view.
    - 3. Return to the **Alerts** pane. The information of selected columns will be displayed.

## Managing the event logs

This section describes how to view and download the event logs of a server on the Lenovo Server page.

- Step 1. Log in to the Lenovo Server page. Refer to "Logging in to the Lenovo Server page" on page 18.
- Step 2. On the Lenovo Server page, click **Event Log** in the left navigation pane. The **Event Log** pane is displayed.
- Step 3. In the **Event Log** pane, users can do one or more of the following:
  - To view the details of an event log:
    - 1. Select an event log from the Event Log list. The information of this event log will be displayed below the list.
    - 2. Users can do one or more of the following:
      - To view the property information, click the **Properties** tab.

- To view the description and solution of this event log, click the **Details** tab.
- To download the event logs:
  - 1. Click Export.
  - 2. When the "How do you want to open this file?" window is displayed, click **Save**. The event logs will be saved in your local file.
- To view more columns in the Event Log list:
  - 1. Click **Customize Columns**. The **Customize EventLog Columns** pane is displayed on the right.
  - 2. Select one or more columns that you want to view.
  - 3. Return to the **Event Log** pane. The information of selected columns will be displayed.

## Managing the audit logs

This section describes how to view and download the audit logs of a server on the Lenovo Server page.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Lenovo Server page. Refer to "Logging in to the Lenovo Server page" on page 18.
- Step 2. On the Lenovo Server page, click **Audit Log** in the left navigation pane. The **Audit Log** pane is displayed.
- Step 3. In the Audit Log pane, users can do one or more of the following:
  - To view the details of an audit log:
    - 1. Select an audit log from the Audit Log list. The information of this audit log will be displayed below the list.
    - 2. Users can do one or more of the following:
      - To view the property information, click the Properties tab.
      - To view the description and solution of this audit log, click the **Details** tab.
  - To download the audit logs:
    - 1. Click Export.
    - 2. When the "How do you want to open this file?" window is displayed, click **Save**. The audit logs will be saved in your local file.
  - To view more columns in the Audit Log list:
    - 1. Click **Customize Columns**. The **Customize AuditLog Columns** pane is displayed on the right.
    - 2. Select one or more columns you want to view.
    - 3. Return to the Audit Log pane. The information of selected columns will be displayed.

## Viewing the power consumption and temperature

This section describes how to view the power consumption and temperature of a server on the Lenovo Server page.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Lenovo Server page. Refer to "Logging in to the Lenovo Server page" on page 18.
- Step 2. On the Lenovo Server page, click **Power Consumption and Temperature** in the left navigation pane.

The **Power Consumption and Temperature** pane is displayed.

Step 3. In the **Power Consumption and Temperature** pane, users can do one or more of the following:

- View the information of system power consumption, system temperature (Inlet), CPU power consumption, and memory power consumption of the server displayed on this pane.
- To switch between the Celsius and Fahrenheit temperature, click the temperature button

 $\circ^{\circ}$  or  $\circ^{\circ}$  in the top right corner.

## Viewing the Feature on Demand keys

This section describes how to view the FoD keys of a server on the Lenovo Server page.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Lenovo Server page. Refer to "Logging in to the Lenovo Server page" on page 18.
- Step 2. On the Lenovo Server page, users can do one or more of the following:
  - To view the information of all FoD keys installed on the server, click **Feature on Demand Keys** in the left navigation pane.
  - To download the information of FoD keys:
    - 1. Click Export.
    - 2. When the "How do you want to open this file?" window is displayed, click **Save**. The FoD keys will be saved in your local file.

## Managing service data of a server

This section describes how to manage the service data of a server on the Lenovo Server page.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Lenovo Server page. Refer to "Logging in to the Lenovo Server page" on page 18.
- Step 2. On the Lenovo Server page, click **Service Data** in the left navigation pane. The **Service Data** pane is displayed.
- Step 3. In the Service Data pane, users can do one or more of the following:
  - To collect the service data files, click **Collect Service Data**.

Note: This process takes a few minutes.

- To download the service data files, click **Download Files**.
- To delete the service data files, select one or more service data files, and click **Delete**.
- To export the service data files, select one or more service data files, and click **Export Logs**.

## Chapter 5. Managing servers through Server Manager

You can use Lenovo XClarity Integrator with the Server Manger solution. This chapter describes how to manage the server through Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Server Manager.

## **Connecting to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Server Manager**

Before managing the server in Server Manager, you should connect to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Server Manager.

#### Procedure

Step 1. Log in to Windows Admin Center.

- Step 2. In the top left corner, click the drop-down list arrow on the right of **Windows Admin Center**.
- Step 3. Click **Server Manager**. The Server connections page is displayed.
- Step 4. On the Server connections page:
  - a. Select the server that you want to manage.
  - b. When the **Specify your credentials** pane is displayed, select an existing account or input a new account.
  - c. Click **Continue**. The server page is displayed.
- Step 5. In the left navigation pane of the server page, click **Lenovo XClarity Integrator** or  $\frac{XC}{C}$ .

**Note:** If the managed server is not a Lenovo server, Lenovo XClarity Integrator will not be displayed in the left navigation bar.

## Managing a server with Lenovo XClarity Administrator

After entering into the Lenovo XClarity Integrator page in Server Manager, a message indicating that the server is currently not managed by a management server might be displayed. This section describes how to manage a server with Lenovo XClarity Administrator in Server Manager.

**Note:** If the server is not in the "Unknown", "Pending", or "Offline" status, and the Lenovo XClarity Administrator that manages this server is connected, this Web page will not be displayed.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Connect to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Server Manager. Refer to "Connecting to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Server Manager" on page 29.
- Step 2. Select Lenovo XClarity Administrator.
- Step 3. Users can do one or more of the following:
  - To connect to a current registered Lenovo XClarity Administrator:
    - 1. Select Connect to a registered XClarity Administrator management server.
    - 2. Select the IP address of a registered Lenovo XClarity Administrator from the drop-down list.
    - 3. Click Connect.

The Connect to Lenovo XClarity Administrator pane will be displayed on the right.

- 4. Input the user name and password. Ensure that the user provided meets the user privilege and role requirements and has enough permissions to perform desired operations.
- 5. Click Submit.

**Note:** If one or more Lenovo XClarity Administrators are connected, you can select a Lenovo XClarity Administrator to manage the server.

- To manage the server with a connected Lenovo XClarity Administrator:
  - 1. Select Add this server to a connected XClarity Administrator management server.
  - 2. Select the IP address of a connected Lenovo XClarity Administrator from the drop-down list.
  - 3. Click Add to.

The Manage Lenovo Rack or Tower Servers pane will be displayed on the right.

- 4. Input the BMC IP address, user name, and password.
- 5. Click Manage.
- To connect to a new Lenovo XClarity Administrator:
  - 1. Select Connect to a new XClarity Administrator management server.
  - 2. Click Add.
    - The Connect to Lenovo XClarity Administrator pane will be displayed on the right.
  - Input the IP address, user name, and password. Ensure that the user provided meets the user privilege and role requirements and has enough permissions to perform desired operations.
  - 4. Click Submit.
- To disconnect a connected Lenovo XClarity Administrator:
  - 1. Select Disconnect a connected XClarity Administrator management server.
  - 2. Select the IP address of a registered Lenovo XClarity Administrator from the drop-down list.
  - 3. Click **Disconnect**.

A warning window will be displayed for you to confirm your operation.

4. Click Yes.

## Managing a server without Lenovo XClarity Administrator

After entering into the Lenovo XClarity Integrator page in Server Manager, a message indicating that the server is currently not managed by a management server might be displayed. This section describes how to manage a server without Lenovo XClarity Administrator, that is, through native OS management in Server Manager.

Native OS management is a way to manage your hardware when no Lenovo XClarity Administrator is available. To use this function, log in to the XCC Web GUI and enable IPMI over KCS Access, Ethernet Over USB, and REST/CIM Over HTTPS.

**Note:** If the server is not in the "Unknown", "Pending", or "Offline" status, and the Lenovo XClarity Administrator that manages this server is connected, this Web page will not be displayed.

- Step 1. Connect to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Server Manager. Refer to "Connecting to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Server Manager" on page 29.
- Step 2. Select Native OS Management.

#### Step 3. Click Take Me There.

The To enable Native OS Management dialog is displayed.

- Step 4. Click OK to continue. The Initializing applet dialog is displayed. It will take several minutes to get the detailed information for the initial native OS management.
- Step 5. After the initialization, the Summary page of the managed server is automatically displayed.
- Step 6. The **Data Source** field under the server name is displayed as **Native OS Management**. You can click the **Switch to Lenovo XClarity Administrator** link to return to the server home page and then add a Lenovo XClarity Administrator to manage this server.

#### Notes:

- The views for native OS management are the same as those for LXCA-managed servers, while some detailed information might not be available, such as alert details. For the information not available, consider using Lenovo XClarity Administrator.
- Native OS management is inapplicable to ThinkServer and ThinkSystem SR635/SR655 servers. For servers enabled with Storage Spaces Direct, native OS management is disabled by default. To enable native OS management for servers enabled with Storage Spaces Direct, refer to "Configuring native OS management" on page 10.

## Viewing the details of a managed server

After you connect to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Server Manager, you can view the details of a managed server. For more information, refer to "Managing a server" on page 18.

## Updating firmware/drivers for a server

The Updates pane displays the best recipes, latest updates, and update logs of firmware and drivers.

The following features are supported in the Updates pane:

• Best Recipes (Recommended)

Best recipe is also a compliance policy, but includes firmware and driver updates. This method does not allow users to select part of components from the recipe for update. All components in the recipe will be updated for all servers in a cluster.

This feature is supported only by specific server models. Refer to Features supported by specific server models.

For details about the best recipe, see ThinkAgile MX Certified Node Best Recipe.

#### Compliance Policies

If a compliance policy is used, users can still determine components in the policy to be updated for a specific server or all servers in a cluster. It is only available when the server is managed by Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

Latest Updates

This method does not use any policy, and users need to select a target version for each component to be updated. The target version must be later than the current installed version.

• Update Logs

The **Update Logs** pane supports to delete, cancel, or retry the update jobs of current cluster nodes or servers.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Connect to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Server Manager. Refer to "Connecting to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Server Manager" on page 29.
- Step 2. Do one of the following:
  - Ensure that your server is managed. In the **Menu** pane of the Lenovo Server page, click **Updates**.

#### Notes:

- Users can refer to "Managing a server with Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 29 or "Managing a server without Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 30.
- The **Compliance Policies** feature is only supported when managing a server with Lenovo XClarity Administrator.
- In the left navigation pane of the server page, click Lenovo XClarity Integrator Compliance and Updates or XC.
- Step 3. In the **Updates** pane, select one of the following update methods:
  - To assign a best recipe for firmware/driver updates:
    - 1. Click Best Recipes (Recommended).
    - 2. Select the best recipe from the drop-down list, and do one of the following:
      - To view firmware/driver updates in the best recipe, click **Show Best Recipe Definition**.
      - To refresh the recipe, click **Refresh Best Recipe**.
      - To view the applicable firmware/driver updates, click  $\rightarrow$  in front of a device.

#### Notes:

- If Compliance is Compliant for a component, the installed version is already the same as or even higher than the target update version in the policy. Therefore, components with Compliance being Not Compliant are recommended to be updated.
- The table only shows the components defined in the best recipe.
- 3. Click Install Updates.
- To assign a compliance policy for firmware updates:
  - 1. Click Compliance Policies.
  - 2. Select a policy from the drop-down list.

#### Notes:

- You can click Show Compliance Policy Definition to view firmware updates in the policy.
- You can click in front of the device to view firmware updates applicable to it in the policy. If **Compliance** is **Compliant** for a component, the installed version is already the same as or even higher than the target update version in the policy. Therefore, components with **Compliance** being **Not Compliant** are recommended to be updated.
- 3. Click Install Updates.
- To select a target version for each component to be updated:
  - 1. Click Latest Updates.
  - 2. Do one of the following:
    - To view the latest firmware and driver updates, click Reload local repository.

- To perform firmware and driver updates, select a target catalog or a target update package, and click **Install Updates**.
- To manage local repository, click **Manage local repository**, and do one of the following:
  - To refresh catalog, select one or more target catalogs, and click **Refresh Catalog**.
    To download the update packages, select one or more target catalogs or update
  - packages, and click **Download**.
  - To delete the update packages, select one or more target machine types or update packages, and click **Delete**.
  - To filter out firmware updates or driver updates only, click **Firmware & Driver**, and select **Firmware** or **Driver**.
  - To filter out updates for Windows or Linux only, click Windows & Linux, and select Windows or Linux.
- To delete, cancel, or retry the update jobs of current cluster nodes or servers:
  - 1. Click Update Logs.
  - 2. Do one of the following:
    - To delete the update job, select one or more update jobs, and click **Delete**.
    - To cancel the update job, select one or more scheduled update jobs, and click Cancel.
    - To retry the update job, select an update job in Failed, Stopped, or Cancelled status, and click Retry.
- Step 4. On the **Update Selection** tab, select or deselect components to be updated.
  - a. Select or deselect components to be updated in the **Select Items** pane.

#### Notes:

- You can click  $\checkmark$  at the upper right corner of the **Select Items** pane to expand the **Preview** pane, where you can remove a component by clicking  $\times$ .
- Operations on the Select Items and Preview panes are synchronized in real time.
- b. (Optional) Enable **Forced update** as needed if you would like to update firmware/drivers on the selected components even if the installed version is already up to date or later than the target version for update.

#### Notes:

- It's not allowed to apply firmware or drivers of earlier versions to device options, adapters, or disk drives.
- Forced update is available only when **Compliance Policy** is used.
- c. Click Next.
- Step 5. On the **Update Download** tab, download or import update packages as required, and then click **Next**.
- Step 6. On the **Clustered Roles Migration** tab, click **Next**.

**Attention:** The cluster roles cannot be migrated when the cluster consists only one server node; otherwise, all running clustered roles, including clustered and non-clustered virtual machines, will be disrupted after the server node is restarted.

Note: Clustered roles migration is automatically enabled on all servers in the cluster.

Clustered Roles Migration performs the following tasks:

- 1. Puts one cluster node into maintenance mode, and moves the clustered roles off the node.
- 2. Install system updates.
- 3. Performs a restart.

- 4. Brings the node out of maintenance mode, and restores the clustered roles on the node.
- 5. Moves to the next cluster node.
- Step 7. On the **OS Credential** tab, click **Credential needed** to input domain admin account, user name, and password of a Windows administrator account, and then click **Next**.

Notes: OS credentials are needed if one or more of the following operations are required:

- Firmware update in native OS management mode
- Clustered roles migration
- Step 8. On the **Options** tab, name and schedule the update job. Then, click **Next**.
- Step 9. On the **Summary** tab, check the information about the update job, including the components to be updated, job name, schedule, and assigned policy if any.

Step 10. Click Submit.

The system then navigates to the Persistent Job page, where you can check the status of the update job.

#### Notes:

- If you close the Persistent Job page, or close the update wizard at any time, the system will then navigate back to the page before the update wizard is opened.
- To view the update history from any extension, refer to "Viewing the persistent jobs" on page 23.

## Managing the system updates repository

This section describes how to manage the system updates repository for your servers.

To download, back up, or restore system updates, refer to Chapter 8 "Managing the system updates repository" on page 59.

# Chapter 6. Managing servers through Cluster Manager

You can use Lenovo XClarity Integrator with the Cluster Manager solution. This chapter describes how to manage the server through Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Cluster Manager.

#### Notes:

- For Windows Admin Center 1904.1, Lenovo XClarity Integrator supports both Hyper-Converged Cluster Manager and Failover Cluster Manager.
- For Windows Admin Center 1910, Lenovo XClarity Integrator supports Cluster Manager since Hyper-Converged Cluster Manager and Failover Cluster Manager are combined, but with slight function differences depending on whether Storage Spaces Direct is enabled on a cluster.

## **Connecting to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Cluster Manager**

Before managing the server in Cluster Manager, you should connect to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Cluster Manager.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to Windows Admin Center.
- Step 2. In the top left corner, click the drop-down list arrow

on the right of Windows Admin Center

- Step 3. Click **Cluster Manager**. The Cluster connections page is displayed.
- Step 4. On the Cluster connections page:
  - a. Select a cluster.
  - b. When the **Specify your credentials** pane is displayed, select an existing account or input a new account.
  - c. Click **Continue**. The cluster page is displayed.
- Step 5. In the left navigation pane of the cluster page, click **Lenovo XClarity Integrator** or  $\frac{1}{1000}$ .

#### Notes:

- If all cluster nodes are detected to be managed by connected Lenovo XClarity Administrators, the Lenovo XClarity Integrator dashboard will be displayed.
- If any cluster nodes are detected to be not managed by any connected Lenovo XClarity Administrator, Lenovo XClarity Integrator will prompt you to choose a management approach, either through Lenovo XClarity Administrator (see "Managing cluster nodes with Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 35) or native OS management (see "Managing cluster nodes without Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 37).

## Managing cluster nodes with Lenovo XClarity Administrator

After entering into the Lenovo XClarity Integrator page in Cluster Manager, a message indicating that one or more servers are currently not managed by a management server might be displayed. This section describes how to manage cluster nodes with Lenovo XClarity Administrator in Cluster Manager.

**Note:** If all Lenovo XClarity Administrators that manage these servers are connected, this page will not be displayed.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Connect to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Cluster Manager. Refer to "Connecting to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Cluster Manager" on page 35.
- Step 2. Select Lenovo XClarity Administrator.
- Step 3. Users can do one or more of the following:
  - To connect to a current registered Lenovo XClarity Administrator:
    - 1. Select Connect to a registered XClarity Administrator management server.
    - 2. Select the IP address of a registered Lenovo XClarity Administrator from the drop-down list.
    - 3. Click Connect.

The Connect to Lenovo XClarity Administrator pane will be displayed on the right.

- 4. Input the user name and password. Ensure that the user provided meets the user privilege and role requirements and has enough permissions to perform desired operations.
- 5. Click Submit.

**Note:** If one or more Lenovo XClarity Administrators are connected, you can select a Lenovo XClarity Administrator to manage the server.

- To manage the nodes with a connected Lenovo XClarity Administrator:
  - 1. Select Add nodes to a connected XClarity Administrator management server.
  - 2. Select the IP address of a connected Lenovo XClarity Administrator from the drop-down list.
  - 3. Click Add to.

The Manage Lenovo Rack or Tower Servers pane will be displayed on the right.

4. Input a BMC IP address, click the add icon \_\_\_\_\_, and input another BMC IP address. Repeat this step until all rack or tower servers are added. Then input the user name and password.

**Note:** You are recommended to manage all the cluster nodes with the same Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

- 5. Click Manage.
- To connect to a new Lenovo XClarity Administrator:
  - 1. Select Connect to a new XClarity Administrator management server.
  - 2. Click Add.

The **Connect to Lenovo XClarity Administrator** pane will be displayed on the right.

- 3. Input the IP address, user name, and password. Ensure that the user provided meets the user privilege and role requirements and has enough permissions to perform desired operations.
- 4. Click Submit.
- To disconnect a connected Lenovo XClarity Administrator:
  - 1. Select Disconnect a connected XClarity Administrator management server.
  - 2. Select the IP address of a registered Lenovo XClarity Administrator from the drop-down list.
  - 3. Click Disconnect.

A warning window will be displayed for you to confirm your operation.

4. Click Yes.

## Managing cluster nodes without Lenovo XClarity Administrator

After entering into the Lenovo XClarity Integrator page in Cluster Manager, a message indicating that one or more servers are currently not managed by a management server might be displayed. This section describes how to manage cluster nodes without Lenovo XClarity Administrator, that is, through native OS management in Cluster Manager.

Native OS management is a way to manage your hardware when no Lenovo XClarity Administrator is available. To use this function, log in to the XCC Web GUI and enable IPMI over KCS Access, Ethernet Over USB, and REST/CIM Over HTTPS.

**Note:** If all Lenovo XClarity Administrators that manage these servers are connected, this page will not be displayed.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Connect to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Cluster Manager. Refer to "Connecting to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Cluster Manager" on page 35.
- Step 2. Select Native OS Management.
- Step 3. Click **Take Me There**. The **To enable Native OS Management** dialog is displayed.
- Step 4. Click OK to continue. The Initializing applet dialog is displayed. It will take several minutes to get the detailed information for the initial native OS management.
- Step 5. After the initialization, the Dashboard page of the managed server is automatically displayed.

#### Notes:

- The views for native OS management are the same as those for LXCA-managed servers, while some detailed information might not be available, such as alert details. For the information not available, consider using Lenovo XClarity Administrator.
- Native OS management is inapplicable to ThinkServer and ThinkSystem SR635/SR655 servers. For servers enabled with Storage Spaces Direct, native OS management is disabled by default. To enable native OS management for servers enabled with Storage Spaces Direct, refer to "Configuring native OS management" on page 10.

## Managing drives used by cluster nodes in Disk Manager

This section describes how to manage drives used by cluster nodes in Disk Manager. This feature is supported only by specific server models. Refer to Features supported by specific server models.

In this section, you can:

- View the overall information of pools, drives, and servers of a cluster. Refer to "Viewing the overall information of pools, drives, and servers of a cluster" on page 38.
- Turn on or off the location LED of a server. Refer to "Turning on or off the location LED of a server" on page 38.
- Turn on or off the location LED of a drive. Refer to "Turning on or off the location LED of a drive" on page 39.
- Replace a drive in a storage pool. Refer to "Replacing a drive in a storage pool" on page 39.
- Remove a drive from a server. Refer to "Removing a drive from a server" on page 40.
- Add a non-pooled drive to a storage pool. Refer to "Adding a drive to a storage pool" on page 41.

## Logging in to the Disk Manager page

Before managing drives used by servers in a cluster, you should log in to the Disk Manager page first. This section describes how to log in to the Disk Server page of a cluster.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Connect to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Cluster Manager. Refer to "Connecting to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Cluster Manager" on page 35.
- Step 2. Connect to Lenovo XClarity Administrator in Cluster Manager. Refer to "Managing cluster nodes with Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 35.
- Step 3. Click **Disk Manager** from the menu. The Disk Manager page is displayed.

The Disk Manager page consists of three main panels:

- Disk list: lists all drives used by servers in the cluster, which are classified by storage pool. Server name, media type, bus type, status, and capacity of a drive can be queried from the list.
- Information panel: displays details about a selected drive, server, or pool. Operations on drives or servers are supported from the information panel, such as Light On, Light Off, Replace, Remove, and Add to Pool.
- Graphical View: displays the front and rear views of servers in the cluster.

## Viewing the overall information of pools, drives, and servers of a cluster

This section describes how to view the overall information of pools, drives, and servers of a cluster on the Disk Manager page.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Disk Manager page. Refer to "Logging in to the Disk Manager page" on page 38.
- Step 2. On the Disk Manager page, users can do one or more of the following:
  - To view the information of a storage pool, click the name of the pool. The pool details will be displayed in the lower left panel.

Note: No information will be displayed for clicking Non-pooled Drives.

• To view the information of a drive, click its name. The drive details will be displayed in the lower left panel, and the selected drive will also be highlighted in the **Graphical View** panel to indicate its actual location on the server to which it belongs.

**Note:** Clicking a specific drive slot in the **Graphical View** panel can also help users locate the drive in the disk list, with drive details displayed in the lower left panel at the same time.

- To view the information of a server, click the left or right latch or an empty slot of the server in the **Graphical View** panel. The server details will be displayed in the lower left panel.

## Turning on or off the location LED of a server

This section describes how to turn on or off the location LED of a server on the Disk Manager page so as to visually locate the server.

#### Procedure

Step 1. Log in to the Disk Manager page. Refer to "Logging in to the Disk Manager page" on page 38.

- Step 2. In the **Graphical View** panel, click the left or right latch or an empty slot of the target server. The sever details are displayed in the lower left panel.
- Step 3. In the lower left panel, click **Light On** or **Light Off** to turn on or off the location LED in the upper right corner of the server.
  - If you click **Light On**, the location LED of the server turns blue in real time in the **Graphical View** panel.
  - If you click **Light Off**, the location LED of the server turns unlit in real time in the **Graphical View** panel.
  - Any status change of the location LED is synchronized to the physical server in real time, which helps to visually locate the server.

## Turning on or off the location LED of a drive

This section describes how to turn on or off the location LED of a drive on the Disk Manager page so as to visually locate the drive.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Disk Manager page. Refer to "Logging in to the Disk Manager page" on page 38.
- Step 2. In the disk list on the left, click the name of the target drive. The drive details are displayed in the lower left panel.
- Step 3. In the lower left panel, click **Light On** or **Light Off** to change the status of the location LED in the lower left corner of the drive.
  - If you click **Light On**, the location LED of the drive blinks yellow in real time in the **Graphical View** panel.
  - If you click **Light Off**, the location LED of the drive turns unlit in real time in the **Graphical View** panel.
  - Any status change of the location LED is synchronized to the physical drive in real time, which helps to visually locate the drive.
  - Currently, NVMe drives do not support the status toggle of the location LED through Disk Manager.

## Replacing a drive in a storage pool

This section describes how to replace a drive in a storage pool on the Disk Manager page.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Disk Manager page. Refer to "Logging in to the Disk Manager page" on page 38.
- Step 2. In the disk list on the left, click the name of the drive to be replaced under a storage pool. The drive details are displayed in the lower left panel.
- Step 3. In the lower left panel, click **Replace**. The Replace Drive wizard is displayed.
- Step 4. Retire the drive to be replaced from the storage pool.
  - a. On the **Retire from Storage Pool** tab, click **Yes** in the confirmation dialog below the graphical view.

The drive will be retired and then removed from the pool, which may take some time to complete. Please wait.

- b. Click **Next** if a message is displayed to indicate that the drive has been successfully removed from the storage pool.
- Step 5. Pull out the drive to be replaced and insert a new one.

- a. (Optional) On the **Pull Out and Insert** tab, click to turn on the server or disk location LED so as to visually locate the drive to be replaced.
- b. Remove the drive to be replaced from the server and insert a new one.
- c. Return to the **Pull Out and Insert** tab, and click **Yes** in the confirmation dialog below **Server Location LED** and **Disk Location LED**.

**Note:** It may take some time for the process to complete. Information about the new drive will be displayed if the drive replacement is successful.

d. Click **Next** if a message is displayed to indicate that the drive has been successfully replaced.

The new drive is added to the storage pool automatically.

- Step 6. On the **More Operations** tab, click to start rebalancing the pool immediately if needed. Then, click **Next**.
- Step 7. On the **Summary** tab, view the operation result. If desired operations are completed, click **Finish**.

The drive is successfully replaced with a new one.

## Removing a drive from a server

This section describes how to remove a drive from a server on the Disk Manager page.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Disk Manager page. Refer to "Logging in to the Disk Manager page" on page 38.
- Step 2. In the disk list on the left, click the name of the drive to be removed. The drive details are displayed in the lower left panel.
- Step 3. In the lower left panel, click **Remove**. The Remove Drive wizard is displayed.
- Step 4. Do either of the following:
  - If the drive to be removed is not in a storage pool, directly click Next and go to Step 5 on page 40.
  - If the drive to be removed is in a storage pool, continue the following steps.
  - On the Retire from Storage Pool tab, click Yes in the confirmation dialog below the graphical view.
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The drive will be retired and then removed from the pool, which may take some time to complete. Please wait.

- b. Click **Next** if a message is displayed to indicate that the drive has been successfully removed from the storage pool.
- Step 5. Pull out the drive from the server.
  - a. (Optional) On the **Pull Out** tab, click to turn on the server or disk location LED so as to visually locate the drive to be removed.
  - b. Remove the drive from the server.
  - c. Return to the **Pull Out** tab, and click **Next**.
- Step 6. On the **Summary** tab, view the operation result. If desired operations are completed, click **Finish**.

The drive is successfully removed from the server.

## Adding a drive to a storage pool

This section describes how to add a non-pooled drive to a storage pool on the Disk Manager page.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Disk Manager page. Refer to "Logging in to the Disk Manager page" on page 38.
- Step 2. In the disk list on the left, click the name of the drive to be added to a storage pool. The drive details are displayed in the lower left panel.
- Step 3. In the lower left panel, click **Add to Pool**. The Add Drive to Pool wizard is displayed.
- Step 4. Select a target pool.
  - a. Select a target pool from the Select a pool drop-down list, and then click Add.
  - b. Click **Next** if a message is displayed to indicate that the drive has been successfully added to the storage pool.
- Step 5. On the **More operation** tab, click to start rebalancing the pool immediately if needed. Then, click **Next**.
- Step 6. On the **Summary** tab, view the operation result. If desired operations are completed, click **Finish**.

The drive is successfully added to the storage pool.

## Working with Lenovo Cluster Dashboard

After connecting to Lenovo XClarity Integrator, you can view the status of all managed Lenovo servers, their power supplies, fans, firmware consistency, the latest active alerts, and the power consumption and temperature of the cluster nodes through Lenovo Cluster Dashboard.

The following areas are displayed on the Dashboard page:

- Servers: Refer to "Managing cluster nodes" on page 41.
- Alerts: Refer to "Managing alerts" on page 42.
- Firmware Consistency: Refer to "Managing firmware consistency" on page 42.
- **Power Consumption and Temperature**: Refer to "Managing the power consumption and temperature" on page 42.
- Power Supplies: Refer to "Managing power supplies" on page 43.
- Processor Cores: Refer to "Managing processor cores" on page 55.
- Fans: Refer to "Managing fans" on page 43.

## Managing cluster nodes

The **Servers** area displays the overall status of all cluster nodes.

Users can do one or more of the following:

- To view the cluster node with the "Critical", "Warning", "Normal", or "Unknown" status, click the number in the Status column.
- To view the overall status of all cluster nodes, or manage the cluster nodes:
  - 1. Click VIEW ALL. The Servers page will be displayed.
  - 2. On the Servers page, users can do one or more of the following:
    - To launch the remote control of a cluster node, select a cluster node, and click **Launch Remote Control**.

Note: This action is not supported in native OS management mode.

- To view the alerts of a cluster node, click the health status of this cluster node.
- To view the overall information of a cluster node, click the BMC host name of this cluster node.
- To view more information of the cluster nodes, click **Customize Columns** on the Servers page, select one or more columns that you want to view, and return to the Servers page.

## **Managing alerts**

The **Alerts** area displays the latest three alerts of all cluster nodes.

Users can do one or more of the following:

- To view the latest alerts, click the link of Event ID (Message ID).
- To view all alerts of the cluster nodes:
  - 1. Click **VIEW ALL**. The Alerts page will be displayed.
  - 2. On the Alerts page, users can do one or more of the following:
    - To view the details of an alert, click this alert.
    - To export the alerts information as a CSV file, click **Export**.
    - To view more information of the alerts, click Customize Columns on the Alerts page, select one or more columns that you want to view, and return to the Alerts page.

## Managing firmware consistency

The Firmware Consistency area indicates whether the versions of the cluster nodes firmware are the same.

To view the firmware consistency report, click **VIEW DETAILS**.

#### Notes:

- It is recommended that all cluster nodes use the firmware of the same version in the same hardware component controllers.
- Firmware Consistency Report displays the BMC, UEFI, HBA, and Storage NIC firmware versions, which are the consistency indicators for Hyper-Converged Cluster. The BMC and UEFI firmware versions are the consistency indicators for Failover Cluster. If BMC, UEFI, HBA and Storage NIC are not configured in your cluster nodes, or the firmware versions are N/A or not available, the firmware versions are not consistent across cluster nodes.
- For each hardware component controller, the default baseline firmware version is the one that counts the most. You could select either as a baseline.

To update firmware for cluster nodes, refer to "Updating firmware/drivers for cluster nodes" on page 43.

## Managing the power consumption and temperature

The **Power Consumption and Temperature** area displays the average power consumption and temperature of the cluster nodes.

Users can do one or more of the following:

- To view the average power consumption of the cluster nodes, click the **Power Consumption** tab.
- To view the average temperature of the cluster nodes, click the **Temperature** tab.

• To switch between Celsius and Fahrenheit, click the **Temperature** tab, and click the temperature button



## Managing power supplies

The **Power Supplies** area displays the overall status of power supplies of all cluster nodes.

Users can do one or more of the following:

- To view the power supplies in the "Critical", "Warning", "Normal", or "Unknown" status, click the number in the Status column.
- To view the overall status of power supplies of all cluster nodes:
  - 1. Click **VIEW ALL**. The Power Supplies page will be displayed.
  - 2. On the Power Supplies page, users can do one or more of the following:
    - To view the overall information of a cluster node, click the BMC host name of this cluster node.
    - To view the health status of the power supply of a cluster node, click the status of this cluster node.
    - To view more information of the power supplies, click **Customize Columns** on the Power Supplies page, select one or more columns that you want to view, and return to the Power Supplies page.

## **Managing fans**

The Fans area displays the overall status of all fans of the cluster nodes.

Users can do one or more of the following:

- To view the fans in the "Critical", "Warning", "Normal", or "Unknown" status, click the number in the Status column.
- To view the overall status of fans of all cluster nodes:
  - 1. Click **VIEW ALL**. The Fans page will be displayed.
  - 2. On the Fans page, users can do one or more of the following:
    - To view the overall information of a cluster node, click the BMC host name of this cluster node.
    - To view the health status of the fan of a cluster node, click the status of this cluster node.
    - To view more information of fans, click **Customize Columns** on the Fans page, select one or more columns that you want to view, and return to the Fans page.

## Updating firmware/drivers for cluster nodes

For Windows Admin Center 1910, Hyper-Converged Cluster Manager and Failover Cluster Manager are combined into the Cluster Manager solution. This section describes how to perform a firmware/driver update job on cluster nodes in Cluster Manager, using **Best Recipes (Recommended)**, **Compliance Policies**, or **Latest Updates**. The **Updates** pane displays the best recipes, latest updates, cluster consistency, and update logs of firmware and drivers.

The following features are supported in the **Updates** pane:

#### Best Recipes (Recommended)

Best recipe is also a compliance policy, but includes firmware and driver updates. This method does not allow users to select part of components from the recipe for update. All components in the recipe will be updated for all servers in a cluster.

This feature is supported only by specific server models. Refer to Features supported by specific server models.

For details about the best recipe, see ThinkAgile MX Certified Node Best Recipe.

#### Compliance Policies

If a compliance policy is used, users can still determine components in the policy to be updated for a specific server or all servers in a cluster. It is only available when the server is managed by Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

#### • Latest Updates

This method does not use any policy, and users need to select a target version for each component to be updated. The target version must be later than the current installed version.

#### Cluster Consistency

The **Cluster Consistency** pane supports to check the consistency of firmware versions across cluster nodes.

#### • Update Logs

The **Update Logs** pane supports to delete, cancel, or retry the update jobs of current cluster nodes or servers.

#### Procedure

Step 1. Connect to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Cluster Manager. Refer to "Connecting to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Cluster Manager" on page 35.

#### Step 2. Do one of the following:

• Ensure that your server is managed. In the **Menu** pane of the Lenovo Server page, click **Updates**.

#### Notes:

- Users can refer to "Managing cluster nodes with Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 35 and "Managing cluster nodes without Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 37.
- The **Compliance Policies** feature is only supported when managing a server with Lenovo XClarity Administrator.
- In the left navigation pane of the server page, click Lenovo XClarity Integrator Compliance

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- Step 3. In the **Updates** pane, select one of the following update methods:
  - To assign a best recipe for firmware/driver updates:
    - 1. Click Best Recipes (Recommended).
    - 2. Select the best recipe from the drop-down list, and do one of the following:
      - To view firmware/driver updates in the best recipe, click **Show Best Recipe Definition**.
      - To refresh the recipe, click Refresh Best Recipe.
      - To view the applicable firmware/driver updates, click  $\rightarrow$  in front of a device.

#### Notes:

- If Compliance is Compliant for a component, the installed version is already the same as or even higher than the target update version in the policy. Therefore, components with Compliance being Not Compliant are recommended to be updated.
- The table only shows the components defined in the best recipe.

- 3. Click Install Updates.
- To assign a compliance policy for firmware updates:
  - 1. Click **Compliance Policies**.
  - 2. Select a policy from the drop-down list.

#### Notes:

- You can click Show Compliance Policy Definition to view firmware updates in the policy.
- You can click in front of the device to view firmware updates applicable to it in the policy. If Compliance is Compliant for a component, the installed version is already the same as or even higher than the target update version in the policy. Therefore, components with Compliance being Not Compliant are recommended to be updated.

#### 3. Click Install Updates.

- To select a target version for each component to be updated:
  - 1. Click Latest Updates.
  - 2. Do one of the following:
    - To view the latest firmware and driver updates, click Reload local repository.
    - To perform firmware and driver updates, select a target catalog or a target update package, and click **Install Updates**.
    - To manage local repository, click **Manage local repository**, and do one of the following:
      - To refresh catalog, select one or more target catalogs, and click **Refresh Catalog**.
         To download the update packages, select one or more target catalogs or update
      - packages, and click **Download**.
      - To delete the update packages, select one or more target machine types or update packages, and click **Delete**.
      - To filter out firmware updates or driver updates only, click **Firmware & Driver**, and select **Firmware** or **Driver**.
      - To filter out updates for Windows or Linux only, click **Windows & Linux**, and select **Windows** or **Linux**.
- To check the consistency of firmware versions across cluster nodes, click **Cluster Consistency**, and select a base for BMC and UEFI to check the firmware version consistency.
- To delete, cancel, or retry the update jobs of current cluster nodes or servers:
  - 1. Click Update Logs.
  - 2. Do one of the following:
    - To delete the update job, select one or more update jobs, and click **Delete**.
    - To cancel the update job, select one or more scheduled update jobs, and click **Cancel**.
    - To retry the update job, select an update job in **Failed**, **Stopped**, or **Cancelled** status, and click **Retry**.
- Step 4. On the **Update Selection** tab, select or deselect components to be updated.
  - a. Select or deselect components to be updated in the **Select Items** pane.

#### Notes:

- You can click <sup><</sup> at the upper right corner of the **Select Items** pane to expand the **Preview** pane, where you can remove a component by clicking <sup>×</sup>.
- Operations on the Select Items and Preview panes are synchronized in real time.

b. (Optional) Enable **Forced update** as needed if you would like to update firmware/drivers on the selected components even if the installed version is already up to date or later than the target version for update.

#### Notes:

- It's not allowed to apply firmware or drivers of earlier versions to device options, adapters, or disk drives.
- Forced update is available only when **Compliance Policy** is used.
- c. Click Next.
- Step 5. On the **Update Download** tab, download or import update packages as required, and then click **Next**.
- Step 6. On the **Clustered Roles Migration** tab, click **Next**.

**Attention:** The cluster roles cannot be migrated when the cluster consists only one server node; otherwise, all running clustered roles, including clustered and non-clustered virtual machines, will be disrupted after the server node is restarted.

Note: Clustered roles migration is automatically enabled on all servers in the cluster.

Clustered Roles Migration performs the following tasks:

- 1. Puts one cluster node into maintenance mode, and moves the clustered roles off the node.
- 2. Install system updates.
- 3. Performs a restart.
- 4. Brings the node out of maintenance mode, and restores the clustered roles on the node.
- 5. Moves to the next cluster node.
- Step 7. On the **OS Credential** tab, click **Credential needed** to input domain admin account, user name, and password of a Windows administrator account, and then click **Next**.

Notes: OS credentials are needed if one or more of the following operations are required:

- Firmware update in native OS management mode
- Clustered roles migration
- Step 8. On the **Options** tab, name and schedule the update job. Then, click **Next**.
- Step 9. On the **Summary** tab, check the information about the update job, including the components to be updated, job name, schedule, and assigned policy if any.
- Step 10. Click Submit.

The system then navigates to the Persistent Job page, where you can check the status of the update job.

#### Notes:

- If you close the Persistent Job page, or close the update wizard at any time, the system will then navigate back to the page before the update wizard is opened.
- To view the update history from any extension, refer to "Viewing the persistent jobs" on page 23.

## Updating firmware/drivers when creating an Azure Stack HCI cluster

Lenovo XClarity Integrator is integrated into Microsoft's Azure Stack HCl solution to provide a snap-in for driver and firmware updates. When creating an Azure Stack HCl cluster in Windows Admin center, users can update firmware and drivers for the cluster nodes.

To update the firmware/drivers for Azure Stack HCI cluster nodes, do the following:

- 1. Log in to the Install hardware updates page provided by Lenovo. Refer to "Logging in to the Install hardware updates page" on page 47.
- Select a management method if required. Refer to "Managing Azure Stack HCI cluster nodes with Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 47 or "Managing Azure Stack HCI cluster nodes without Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 48.
- 3. Perform firmware/driver updates on the cluster nodes. Refer to "Updating firmware/drivers for Azure Stack HCI cluster nodes" on page 49.

## Logging in to the Install hardware updates page

To update firmware and drivers for the cluster nodes when creating an Azure Stack HCI cluster in Windows Admin center, log in to the Install hardware updates page first.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to Windows Admin Center.
- Step 2. On the All Connections page, click **Add**. The Add or create resources page is displayed.
- Step 3. In the **Sever clusters** pane, click **Create new**.
- Step 4. Click **Azure Stack HCI**. The Deploy an Azure Stack HCI cluster page is displayed.
- Step 5. Complete operations on the 1.1 Check the prerequisites, 1.2 Add servers, 1.3 Join a domain, 1.4 Install features, and 1.5 Install updates tabs as required. The 1.6 Install hardware updates tab is displayed.
- Step 6. On the **1.6 Install hardware updates** tab, click **Get updates**.

You may then select a required management method or perform firmware/driver updates on the cluster nodes. Refer to "Managing Azure Stack HCI cluster nodes with Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 47 or "Managing Azure Stack HCI cluster nodes without Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 48.

## Managing Azure Stack HCI cluster nodes with Lenovo XClarity Administrator

After entering into the Solution updates page in Windows Admin Center, a message indicating that one or more servers are currently not managed by a management server might be displayed. This section describes how to manage Azure Stack HCI cluster nodes with Lenovo XClarity Administrator when creating an Azure Stack HCI cluster.

If all Lenovo XClarity Administrators that manage these servers are connected, this page will not be displayed.

- Step 1. Log in to the Solution updates page. Refer to "Logging in to the Install hardware updates page" on page 47.
- Step 2. Select Lenovo XClarity Administrator.
- Step 3. Users can do one or more of the following:
  - To connect to a current registered Lenovo XClarity Administrator:
    - 1. Select Connect to a registered XClarity Administrator management server.
    - 2. Select the IP address of a registered Lenovo XClarity Administrator from the drop-down list.
    - 3. Click Connect.

The **Connect to Lenovo XClarity Administrator** pane will be displayed on the right.

- 4. Input the user name and password. Ensure that the user provided meets the user privilege and role requirements and has enough permissions to perform desired operations.
- 5. Click Submit.

**Note:** If one or more Lenovo XClarity Administrators are connected, you can select a Lenovo XClarity Administrator to manage the server.

- To manage the nodes with a connected Lenovo XClarity Administrator:
  - 1. Select Add nodes to a connected XClarity Administrator management server.
  - 2. Select the IP address of a connected Lenovo XClarity Administrator from the drop-down list.
  - 3. Click Add to.

The Manage Lenovo Rack or Tower Servers pane will be displayed on the right.

4. Input a BMC IP address, click the add icon \_\_\_\_\_, and input another BMC IP address. Repeat this step until all rack or tower servers are added. Then input the user name and password.

**Note:** You are recommended to manage all the cluster nodes with the same Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

- 5. Click Manage.
- To connect to a new Lenovo XClarity Administrator:
  - 1. Select Connect to a new XClarity Administrator management server.
  - 2. Click Add.

The Connect to Lenovo XClarity Administrator pane will be displayed on the right.

- 3. Input the IP address, user name, and password. Ensure that the user provided meets the user privilege and role requirements and has enough permissions to perform desired operations.
- 4. Click Submit.
- To disconnect a connected Lenovo XClarity Administrator:
  - 1. Select Disconnect a connected XClarity Administrator management server.
  - 2. Select the IP address of a registered Lenovo XClarity Administrator from the drop-down list.
  - 3. Click Disconnect.
    - A warning window will be displayed for you to confirm your operation.
  - 4. Click Yes.

## Managing Azure Stack HCI cluster nodes without Lenovo XCIarity Administrator

After entering into the Solution updates page in Windows Admin Center, a message indicating that one or more servers are currently not managed by a management server might be displayed. This section describes how to manage Azure Stack HCI cluster nodes without Lenovo XClarity Administrator, that is, through native OS management, when creating an Azure Stack HCI cluster.

Native OS management is a way to manage your hardware when no Lenovo XClarity Administrator is available. To use this function, log in to the XCC Web GUI and enable IPMI over KCS Access, Ethernet Over USB, and REST/CIM Over HTTPS.

**Note:** If all Lenovo XClarity Administrators that manage these servers are connected, this page will not be displayed.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Solution updates page. Refer to "Logging in to the Install hardware updates page" on page 47.
- Step 2. Select Native OS Management.
- Step 3. Click **Take Me There**. The **To enable Native OS Management** dialog is displayed.
- Step 4. Click **OK** to continue. The **Initializing applet** dialog is displayed. It will take several minutes to get the detailed information for the initial native OS management.
- Step 5. After the initialization, the System Update page is displayed for you to perform firmware/driver updates for the cluster nodes.

**Note:** Native OS management is inapplicable to ThinkServer and ThinkSystem SR635/SR655 servers. For servers enabled with Storage Spaces Direct, native OS management is disabled by default. To enable native OS management for servers enabled with Storage Spaces Direct, refer to "Configuring native OS management" on page 10.

## Updating firmware/drivers for Azure Stack HCI cluster nodes

When creating an Azure Stack HCI cluster in Windows Admin Center, users can update firmware and drivers for the cluster nodes using **Best Recipes (Recommended)**, **Compliance Policies**, or **Latest Updates**.

The following features are supported in the **Updates** pane:

#### Best Recipes (Recommended)

Best recipe is also a compliance policy, but includes firmware and driver updates. This method does not allow users to select part of components from the recipe for update. All components in the recipe will be updated for all servers in a cluster.

This feature is supported only by specific server models. Refer to Features supported by specific server models.

For details about the best recipe, see ThinkAgile MX Certified Node Best Recipe.

#### Compliance Policies

If a compliance policy is used, users can still determine components in the policy to be updated for a specific server or all servers in a cluster. It is only available when the server is managed by Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

#### Latest Updates

This method does not use any policy, and users need to select a target version for each component to be updated. The target version must be later than the current installed version.

• Update Logs

The **Update Logs** pane supports to delete, cancel, or retry the update jobs of current cluster nodes or servers.

#### Procedure

Step 1. Log in to the Solution updates page. Refer to "Logging in to the Install hardware updates page" on page 47.

Step 2. Ensure that all the cluster nodes are managed. Refer to "Managing Azure Stack HCl cluster nodes with Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 47 or "Managing Azure Stack HCl cluster nodes without Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 48. The system update wizard is displayed.

**Note:** In the system update wizard, you can sync the inventory by clicking in the upper right corner to sync the inventory. This function is the same as "Syncing the inventory of a server" on page 19.

- Step 3. Select any of the following update methods:
  - To assign a best recipe for firmware/driver updates:
    - 1. Click Best Recipes (Recommended).
    - 2. Select the best recipe from the drop-down list, and do one of the following:
      - To view firmware/driver updates in the best recipe, click Show Best Recipe Definition.
      - To refresh the recipe, click **Refresh Best Recipe**.
      - To view the applicable firmware/driver updates, click  $\rightarrow$  in front of a device.

#### Notes:

- If Compliance is Compliant for a component, the installed version is already the same as or even higher than the target update version in the policy. Therefore, components with Compliance being Not Compliant are recommended to be updated.
- The table only shows the components defined in the best recipe.
- 3. Click Install Updates.
- To assign a compliance policy for firmware updates:
  - 1. Click Compliance Policies.
  - 2. Select a policy from the drop-down list.

#### Notes:

- You can click Show Compliance Policy Definition to view firmware updates in the policy.
- You can click in front of the device to view firmware updates applicable to it in the policy. If **Compliance** is **Compliant** for a component, the installed version is already the same as or even higher than the target update version in the policy. Therefore, components with **Compliance** being **Not Compliant** are recommended to be updated.
- 3. Click Install Updates.
- To select a target version for each component to be updated:
  - 1. Click Latest Updates.
  - 2. Do one of the following:
    - To view the latest firmware and driver updates, click Reload local repository.
    - To perform firmware and driver updates, select a target catalog or a target update package, and click **Install Updates**.
    - To manage local repository, click **Manage local repository**, and do one of the following:
      - To refresh catalog, select one or more target catalogs, and click Refresh Catalog.
      - To download the update packages, select one or more target catalogs or update packages, and click **Download**.

- To delete the update packages, select one or more target machine types or update packages, and click **Delete**.
- To filter out firmware updates or driver updates only, click **Firmware & Driver**, and select **Firmware** or **Driver**.
- To filter out updates for Windows or Linux only, click **Windows & Linux**, and select **Windows** or **Linux**.
- Step 4. On the **Update Selection** tab, select or deselect components to be updated.
  - a. Select or deselect components to be updated in the Select Items pane.

#### Notes:

- You can click  $\checkmark$  at the upper right corner of the **Select Items** pane to expand the **Preview** pane, where you can remove a component by clicking  $\times$ .
- Operations on the Select Items and Preview panes are synchronized in real time.
- b. (Optional) Enable **Forced update** as needed if you would like to update firmware/drivers on the selected components even if the installed version is already up to date or later than the target version for update.

#### Notes:

- It's not allowed to apply firmware or drivers of earlier versions to device options, adapters, or disk drives.
- Forced update is available only when **Compliance Policy** is used.
- c. Click Next.
- Step 5. On the **Update Download** tab, download or import update packages as required, and then click **Next**.
- Step 6. On the **Clustered Roles Migration** tab, click **Next**.

**Attention:** The cluster roles cannot be migrated when the cluster consists only one server node; otherwise, all running clustered roles, including clustered and non-clustered virtual machines, will be disrupted after the server node is restarted.

Note: Clustered roles migration is automatically enabled on all servers in the cluster.

Clustered Roles Migration performs the following tasks:

- 1. Puts one cluster node into maintenance mode, and moves the clustered roles off the node.
- 2. Install system updates.
- 3. Performs a restart.
- 4. Brings the node out of maintenance mode, and restores the clustered roles on the node.
- 5. Moves to the next cluster node.
- Step 7. On the **OS Credential** tab, click **Credential needed** to input domain admin account, user name, and password of a Windows administrator account, and then click **Next**.

Notes: OS credentials are needed if one or more of the following operations are required:

- Firmware update in native OS management mode
- Clustered roles migration
- Step 8. On the **Summary** tab, check the information about the update job, including the components to be updated, job name, schedule, and assigned policy if any.
- Step 9. Click Submit.

You may continue to complete creating the Azure Stack HCI cluster as prompted on Windows Admin Center.

# Updating firmware/drivers with the Cluster-Aware Updating tool in Cluster Manager

Lenovo XClarity Integrator is integrated into Microsoft's Cluster-Aware Updating (CAU) tool to provide a snap-in for driver and firmware updates. Using this snap-in, users can update firmware and drivers for cluster nodes when using the CAU tool in Cluster Manager. This method of updating firmware/drives with CAU is available only for Azure Stack HCI on SE350, SR630 V2, SR650, and SR650 V2 servers. For other servers, the Lenovo XClarity Integrator snap-in is not available in the CAU tool.

**Note:** CAU is a feature that automates the software updating process on clustered servers while maintaining availability.

To update the firmware/drivers with the Cluster-Aware Updating tool in Cluster Manager, do the following:

- 1. Log in to the Hardware updates page in the CAU tool. Refer to "Logging in to the Hardware updates page" on page 52.
- Select a management method if required. Refer to "Managing cluster nodes with Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 35 or "Managing cluster nodes without Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 37.

**Note:** By default, native OS management is disabled for ThinkAgile MX servers with Microsoft Storage Spaces Direct enabled. To enable this function, click the link provided. Refer to "Configuring native OS management" on page 10.

3. Perform firmware/driver updates on the cluster nodes. Refer to "Updating firmware/drivers for cluster nodes with the Cluster-Aware Updating tool" on page 53.

## Logging in to the Hardware updates page

To update the firmware/drivers with the CAU tool in Cluster Manager, log in to the Hardware updates page first.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to Windows Admin Center.
- Step 2. On the All Connections page, click the name of a connected cluster to enter its cluster page in Cluster Manager.

**Note:** If no cluster is available, click **Add**, locate the **Sever clusters** pane, and then click **Add**. Then enter the cluster name and specify the user credentials to add the cluster.

- Step 3. In the left navigation pane of the cluster page, click Updates.
- Step 4. In the Updates page, select one or more target quality updates and click Install.

**Note:** If there is no available quality updates, hardware updates cannot be installed in CAU tool.

Step 5. Select Hardware Updates and click Get Updates.

#### Notes:

- If all cluster nodes are detected to be managed by connected Lenovo XClarity Administrators, the Lenovo XClarity Integrator dashboard will be displayed.
- If any cluster nodes are detected to be not managed by any connected Lenovo XClarity Administrator, Lenovo XClarity Integrator will prompt you to choose a management approach, either through Lenovo XClarity Administrator (see "Managing cluster nodes with Lenovo XClarity

Administrator" on page 35) or native OS management (see "Managing cluster nodes without Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 37).

• It may take some time to check updates and load the Updates page. Please wait.

# Updating firmware/drivers for cluster nodes with the Cluster-Aware Updating tool

When using the CAU tool in Cluster Manager, users can update firmware and drivers for the cluster nodes using **Best Recipes (Recommended)**, **Compliance Policies**, or **Latest Updates**.

The following features are supported in the Updates pane:

• Best Recipes (Recommended)

Best recipe is also a compliance policy, but includes firmware and driver updates. This method does not allow users to select part of components from the recipe for update. All components in the recipe will be updated for all servers in a cluster.

This feature is supported only by specific server models. Refer to Features supported by specific server models.

For details about the best recipe, see ThinkAgile MX Certified Node Best Recipe.

#### Compliance Policies

If a compliance policy is used, users can still determine components in the policy to be updated for a specific server or all servers in a cluster. It is only available when the server is managed by Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

#### Latest Updates

This method does not use any policy, and users need to select a target version for each component to be updated. The target version must be later than the current installed version.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Log in to the Hardware updates page. Refer to "Logging in to the Hardware updates page" on page 52.
- Step 2. Ensure that all the cluster nodes are managed. Refer to "Managing cluster nodes with Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 35 or "Managing cluster nodes without Lenovo XClarity Administrator" on page 37.

The system update wizard is displayed.

**Note:** In the system update wizard, you can sync the inventory by clicking in the upper right corner to sync the inventory. This function is the same as "Syncing the inventory of a server" on page 19.

Step 3. Select any of the following update methods:

#### • Best Recipes (Recommended)

Best recipe is also a compliance policy, but includes firmware and driver updates. This method does not allow users to select part of components from the recipe for update. All components in the recipe will be updated for all servers in a cluster.

This feature is supported only by specific server models. Refer to Features supported by specific server models.

For details about the best recipe, see ThinkAgile MX Certified Node Best Recipe.

• Compliance Policies

If a compliance policy is used, users can still determine components in the policy to be updated for a specific server or all servers in a cluster. It is only available when the server is managed by Lenovo XClarity Administrator.

#### • Latest Updates

This method does not use any policy, and users need to select a target version for each component to be updated. The target version must be later than the current installed version.

- Step 4. On the **Update Selection** tab, select or deselect components to be updated.
  - a. Select or deselect components to be updated in the **Select Items** pane.

#### Notes:

- You can click <sup><</sup> at the upper right corner of the **Select Items** pane to expand the **Preview** pane, where you can remove a component by clicking <sup>×</sup>.
- Operations on the Select Items and Preview panes are synchronized in real time.
- b. (Optional) Enable **Forced update** as needed if you would like to update firmware/drivers on the selected components even if the installed version is already up to date or later than the target version for update.

#### Notes:

- It's not allowed to apply firmware or drivers of earlier versions to device options, adapters, or disk drives.
- Forced update is available only when **Compliance Policy** is used.
- c. Click Next.
- Step 5. On the **Update Download** tab, download or import update packages as required, and then click **Next**.
- Step 6. On the Update Storage tab, select any of the following methods to store the updates.
  - Copy to cluster nodes: Copy the selected updates and prerequisites to all the cluster nodes.
  - **Specify a predefined share folder**: Transfer the selected updates and prerequisites to the specified share folder. A share server in the same domain as the cluster nodes is recommended.

**Note:** Ensure that the CAU clustered roles and Windows account used have adequate permissions.

- **Create a share folder automatically**: Create a share folder automatically on the system running the Windows Admin Center service.
- Step 7. On the **OS Credential** tab, click **Credential needed** to input domain admin account, user name, and password of a Windows administrator account, and then click **Next**.

Notes: OS credentials are needed if one or more of the following operations are required:

- Firmware update in native OS management mode
- Clustered roles migration
- Step 8. On the **Summary** tab, check the information about the update job, including the components to be updated, job name, schedule, and assigned policy if any.
- Step 9. Click Submit.

**Note:** To modify the selected update options, click **Back**. After the modification, click **Resubmit** to resubmit the updates.

Step 10. Click Next: Install.

An overview of selected updates is displayed, with the **Type** being **Solution updates**. You may continue to complete installing the updates as prompted on Windows Admin Center.

## Managing the system updates repository

This section describes how to manage the system updates repository for your servers.

To download, back up, or restore system updates, refer to Chapter 8 "Managing the system updates repository" on page 59.

## Managing processor cores

On the **Processor Cores** page, you can view the overall information of processor cores or set the enabled processor cores for one or more servers under the target cluster.

Note: This feature is only supported in native OS management mode.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Connect to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Cluster Manager. Refer to "Connecting to Lenovo XClarity Integrator in Cluster Manager" on page 35.
- Step 2. In the left navigation pane of the server page, click Processor Cores.
- Step 3. Do one of the following:
  - View the number of cores, processors and servers, the number and percentage of enabled and standby cores, and the list of processor cores enabled per server.
  - In the "Processor cores enabled per server" area, do one of the following:
    - To enable maximum cores for all servers in the list, click Enable All.
    - To enable the same number of cores for all servers in the list, click **Select Enabled Cores**, select the number from the drop-down list.
    - To change the enabled processor cores for the target server, find the target server, click the edit icon in the Enabled Cores per Processor column, input the number of cores, or select the number of cores from the drop-down list.

Note: To cancel the changes, click the cancel icon  $\times$ .

#### Step 4. Do one of the following:

- To cancel the changes, click **Reset**.
- To apply changes, click Apply Changes to enter into the Set Processor Cores page.

#### Notes:

- This feature is only applicable to the ThinkAgile MX appliances and certified nodes installed with Azure Satck HCI or Windows Server cluster.
- If the feature is not supported, the version of XCC and UEFI firmware might be outdated and the number of cores might be incorrect. You should install the latest XCC and UEFI firmware to view accurate processor information or to set the number of enabled processor cores. For more information, refer to "Updating firmware/drivers for cluster nodes" on page 43.
- a. On the Clustered Roles Migration tab, click Next.

**Attention:** The cluster roles cannot be migrated when the cluster consists only one server node; otherwise, all running clustered roles, including clustered and non-clustered virtual machines, will be disrupted after the server node is restarted.

Note: Clustered roles migration is automatically enabled on all servers in the cluster.

Clustered Roles Migration performs the following tasks:

- 1. Puts one cluster node into maintenance mode, and moves the clustered roles off the node.
- 2. Set enabled processor cores.
- 3. Performs a restart.
- 4. Brings the node out of maintenance mode, and restores the clustered roles on the node.
- 5. Moves to the next cluster node.
- b. On the **OS Credential** tab, click **Credential needed** to input domain admin account, user name, and password of a Windows administrator account, and then click **Next**.

Notes: OS credentials are needed if one or more of the following operations are required:

- Clustered roles migration
- Set enabled processors cores
- c. On the **Options** tab, name and schedule the update job. Then, click **Next**.
- d. On the **Summary** tab, check the information about the update job, including the components to be updated, job name, schedule, and assigned policy if any.
- e. Click Submit.

The system then navigates to the Persistent Job page, where you can check the status of the update job.

#### Notes:

- If you close the Persistent Job page, or close the update wizard at any time, the system will then navigate back to the page before the update wizard is opened.
- To view the update history from any extension, refer to "Viewing the persistent jobs" on page 23.

# Chapter 7. Updating firmware/drivers for Lenovo servers

This section illustrates all methods to update firmware/drivers for Lenovo servers through different interfaces, tools, and extensions. Users can select one or more of the following methods based on the actual scenarios.

#### Managing servers and chassis through Lenovo XClarity Integrator

If your server is installed without any OS, it is recommended to manage the server through Lenovo XClarity Integrator. Do one or more of the following based on your needs:

- To update firmware for a server, refer to "Updating firmware for a server" on page 19.
- To update firmware for multiple servers, refer to "Updating firmware for multiple servers" on page 21.
- To manage the system updates repository through Lenovo XClarity Integrator, refer to Chapter 8 "Managing the system updates repository" on page 59.

#### Managing servers through Server Manager

If your server is installed with OS, and is not a cluster node, it is recommended to manage the server through Server Manager. Do one or more of the following based on your needs:

- To update firmware/drivers for a server through Server Manager, refer to "Updating firmware/drivers for a server" on page 31.
- To manage the system updates repository through Server Manager, refer to "Managing the system updates repository" on page 34.

#### Managing servers through Cluster Manager

If your server is installed with OS, and is a cluster node, it is recommended to manage the server through Cluster Manager. Do one or more of the following based on your needs:

- To update firmware/ drivers for cluster nodes through Cluster Manager, refer to "Updating firmware/ drivers for cluster nodes" on page 43.
- To update firmware/drivers when creating an Azure Stack HCI cluster, refer to "Updating firmware/drivers when creating an Azure Stack HCI cluster" on page 46.
- To update firmware/drivers with the Cluster-Aware Updating tool in Cluster Manager, refer to "Updating firmware/drivers with the Cluster-Aware Updating tool in Cluster Manager" on page 52.
- To manage the system updates repository through Cluster Manager, refer to "Managing the system updates repository" on page 55.

## Chapter 8. Managing the system updates repository

This chapter describes how to manage the system updates repository for your servers.

In this chapter, you can:

- "Downloading system updates" on page 59
- "Backing up system updates" on page 60
- "Restoring system updates" on page 60
- "Deleting system updates" on page 61
- "Filtering system updates" on page 61

## Opening the system updates repository

Before managing the system updates repository for your servers, you should open the repository first. This section describes how to open the system updates repository.

#### Procedure

Step 1. In any of Lenovo extensions, click the repository icon in the top right corner. Alternatively, click the more icon in the top right corner and then click **System Updates Repository** from the menu.

The System Updates Repository page is displayed.

The System Updates Repository page consists of the following information:

- Current repository path: describes the directory where the firmware/driver update packages are stored. To change the path, choose ...(More icon) → Set Path from the action bar, and designate a path that meets the conditions described.
- Repository Usage: describes the total space and occupied space of the update repository.
- **Product Catalog:** lists all the machine types of servers currently managed and their available firmware and driver updates. To view specific firmware or driver updates, users can do one or more of the following:
  - Firmware & Driver: filters out firmware updates or driver updates only.
  - Any OS: filters out updates for any OS, Windows, or Linux.
  - Any time: filters out updates released at any time, within 6 months, within 1 year, within 2 years, or within any custom period set by users.
  - All Type: filters out individual updates, best recipes, and UXSP updates.
  - Select Machine Types: enables you to select any required machine type to check its firmware and driver updates available.
- Search box: enables you to search for a specify machine type and its available firmware and driver updates by using a keyword.

## **Downloading system updates**

This section describes how to download specific firmware and driver updates.

- Step 1. Open the System Updates Repository page. Refer to "Opening the system updates repository" on page 59.
- Step 2. Select any desired machine type whose firmware/driver updates you want to download, and click **Refresh Catalog** above the product catalog to obtain the latest updates for the machine type.
- Step 3. Click  $\rightarrow$  in front of any desired machine type and desired component to select the firmware and driver updates you want to download.

**Note:** For more specific selection, you can use filters **Firmware & Driver**, **Windows & Linux**, and **All time** above the product catalog to filter out your target updates.

Step 4. Click **Download**.

## Backing up system updates

This section describes how to back up specific firmware and driver updates or all updates for all machine types.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Open the System Updates Repository page. Refer to "Opening the system updates repository" on page 59.
- Step 2. On the System Updates Repository page, do either of the following:
  - To back up all firmware and driver updates available:
    - 1. Choose ...(More icon) → Backup → Backup All.

The Backup Updates page is displayed.

- 2. Specify the path for backup, user name, and password.
- 3. Click Backup.
- To back up selected firmware and driver updates:
  - 1. Click in front of any desired machine type and desired component to select the firmware and driver updates you want to back up.

**Note:** For more specific selection, you can use filters **Firmware & Driver**, **Windows & Linux**, and **All time** above the product catalog to filter out your target updates.

2. Choose ... (More icon) → Backup → Backup Selection.

The Backup Updates page is displayed.

- 3. Specify the path for backup, user name, and password.
- 4. Click Backup.

## **Restoring system updates**

This section describes how to restore specific firmware and driver updates or all updates for all machine types.

- Step 1. Open the System Updates Repository page. Refer to "Opening the system updates repository" on page 59.
- Step 2. On the System Updates Repository page, do either of the following:
  - To restore all firmware and driver updates available:

1. Choose ...(More icon) → Restore → Restore All.

The Restore Updates page is displayed.

- 2. Specify the path for restoration, user name, and password.
- 3. Click Restore.
- To restore selected firmware and driver updates:
  - 1. Click  $\stackrel{>}{\rightarrow}$  in front of any desired machine type and desired component to select the firmware and driver updates you want to restore.

**Note:** For more specific selection, you can use filters **Firmware & Driver**, **Windows&Linux**, and **All time** above the product catalog to filter out your target updates.

2. Choose ...(More icon) → Restore → Restore Selection.

The Restore Updates page is displayed.

- 3. Specify the path for restoration, user name, and password.
- 4. Click **Restore**.

## **Deleting system updates**

This section describes how to delete specific firmware and driver updates.

#### Procedure

- Step 1. Open the System Updates Repository page. Refer to "Opening the system updates repository" on page 59.
- Step 2. Do one or more of the following:
  - To delete all firmware/driver updates of the machine type, select one or more target machine types, and click **Delete**.
  - To delete one or more firmware/driver updates of the machine type, click > in front of the target machine type, select one or more target firmware/driver updates, and click **Delete**.
  - To delete the update package which is prerequisite of other update packages, enable Force **Delete** and click **Delete**.

## Filtering system updates

This section describes how to filter specific firmware and driver updates.

- Step 1. Open the System Updates Repository page. Refer to "Opening the system updates repository" on page 59.
- Step 2. Do one or more of the following:
  - To filter out firmware updates or driver updates only, click the **Firmware & Driver** drop-down list, and select **Firmware** or **Driver**.
  - To filter out updates for Windows or Linux only, click the **Windows & Linux** drop-down list, and select **Windows** or **Linux**.

# Chapter 9. Reporting problems to Lenovo

This chapter describes how to report problem to Lenovo, manage the call home contact and service tickets.

In this chapter, you can:

- "Managing call home contact" on page 63
- "Reporting problem" on page 63
- "Managing service tickets" on page 65
- "Setting automatic problem reporting" on page 66

## Managing call home contact

This section describes how to add, delete, and edit the contact, set the primary contact, and check the detail information of a contact.

#### Procedure

Step 1. In any of Lenovo extensions, do one of the following to enter into the Call Home Contact page:

- Click the more icon <sup>™</sup> on the top right corner, and then click **Call Home** → **Contacts** from the menu.
- Click the report problem icon on the top right corner, and then click **Contacts** from the menu.
- Step 2. On the Call Home Contact page, do one or more of the following:
  - · To add a contact:
    - 1. Click Add.
    - 2. On the Add Call Home Contact page, input the effective information, and click Apply.
  - To delete one or more contacts, select one or more target contacts and click **Delete**.
  - To edit the contact information:
    - 1. Select the target contact and click Edit.
    - 2. On the Edit Call Home Contact page, edit the information, and click Apply.
  - To set the primary contact, select the target contact, and click Set Primary.
  - To check the details of a contact, click the target contact from the list.

Note: To hide the Details area, click the collapse icon  $\checkmark$  on the top-right corner of the Details area.

• To sort the list by alphabet or number, click the target column name.

## **Reporting problem**

This section describes how to report problem to Lenovo.

#### Notes:

• This feature is only supported when connecting servers or clusters through native OS management mode or LXCA.

• LXCI automatically collects the required logs and data, and uploads them to Lenovo, including Server Service Data, Cluster Diagnostic Data, Windows Admin Center Log, and Lenovo XClarity Integrator Log. LXCI will automatically retry if any log or data collection is failed.

#### Procedure

Step 1. Do one of the following to enter into the Report Problem page:

- In Cluster Manager or Server Manager extensions:
  - Click the report problem icon so on the top right corner.
  - Click the more icon in on the top right corner, and then click Call Home → Report Problem from the menu.
- In any of Lenovo extensions, click **Report Problem** in the alert bar.

**Note:** The alert will only be displayed after the automatic problem reporting function is enabled. For more information, refer to "Setting automatic problem reporting" on page 66.

#### Step 2. On the Call Home User Agreement window, click Accept.

Note: You can also click **Decline** to skip to the Service Tickets page.

Step 3. On the Report Problem page, input the required information.

#### Notes:

- For the servers except for the ThinkAgile MX series, the customer number (XClarity Pro license key) is required when **Lenovo XClarity Integrator features** is selected. You can select the existing customer number from the drop-down list or add a new one.
- In the Functional Area field, if the option excepting for Cluster Storage, Cluster Performance, or Cluster — Network is selected, the cluster diagnostic data will not be uploaded. You can manually upload the data after receiving the notification from Lenovo Support. For more information, refer to "Managing service tickets" on page 65.
- The text in the **Title** field must be no more than 128 characters.
- The text in both the **Description** and **Reproduction Steps** fields must be no more than 4096 characters.
- To change the default primary contact, select another target primary contact from the dropdown list.
- The primary and secondary contacts manually added in this page will also be added to the contact list on the Call Home Contact page, but will not be automatically set as the primary contact in that page.
- Step 4. In the Upload File field, do one of the following to upload the file:

Note: The size of file to be uploaded must be less than or equal to 10MB.

- Click Select a file, select and upload the target file.
- Drag the target file to the Upload File field.
- Step 5. In OS Credential field, authorize Lenovo to retrieve the data and logs:
  - a. Click Credential Needed.
  - b. On the Specify your credentials page, do one of the following:
    - To use a new credential, select **Use manually entered credentials** and input user name and password.

Note: This credential will not be saved in the Credential drop-down list.

• To use an existing credential, select **Use stored credentials** and select the target credential from the drop-down list.

**Note:** To add, edit, or delete a credential, click **Open credential manager**. For more information, refer to "Managing credentials" on page 11.

c. Click **Continue** to go back to the Report Problem page.

Step 6. On the Report Problem page, click **Submit**.

## Managing service tickets

This section describes how to delete, export, refresh, and search tickets, attach file and notes, customize columns of the ticket list, and check details of tickets.

#### Procedure

Step 1. In any of Lenovo extensions, do one of the following to enter into the Service Tickets page:

- Click the report problem icon on the top right corner, and click **Service Tickets** from the menu.
- Click the more icon on the top right corner, and then click **Call Home** → **Service Tickets** from the menu.
- Step 2. On the Service Tickets page, do one of the following:
  - To delete tickets:
    - 1. Select one or more target tickets, click **Delete**.

A pop-up dialog will be displayed for you to confirm whether to delete the ticket.

2. Click **OK**.

Note: Only the tickets in the status of **Resolved**, **Cancelled**, **Unknown**, **Error**, **Duplicate**, or **Rejected** can be deleted.

- To attach the file for the target ticket:
  - 1. Select the target ticket, and click Attach File.
  - 2. On the Attach File page, upload the file, and click Apply.
- To attach the note for the target ticket:
  - 1. Select the target ticket, and click **Attach Notes**.
  - 2. On the Attach Notes page, fill in the title and description, and click **Apply**.

The information in the Notes area of the target ticket will be updated.

- To manually upload the data or log failed to be uploaded in the past 30 days, select the target ticket, and click **Retry**.
- To export the ticket list, click **Export**.

The ticket list will be exported as a CSV file.

- To customize the columns of the ticket list:
  - 1. Click the more icon <sup>…</sup>, and select **Customize Columns**.
  - 2. On the Customize Ticket Columns page, select the columns to be displayed on the Service Tickets page, and click **Apply**.

The target columns will be displayed in the ticket list.

- To refresh the ticket list and details, click the refresh icon  $\bigcirc$  on the top right corner.
- To search the specific ticket, input the ticket number, status, or title of the target ticket in search field. The target tickets will be displayed.
- To check the details of a ticket, click the target ticket from the list. The Details area will be displayed.

Notes:

- To download the data or log to local, click the ZIP/EVTX file of the target data or log.
- If the option excepting for Cluster Storage, Cluster Performance, or Cluster Network is selected on the Report Problem page, the cluster diagnostic data will not be uploaded. You can click Upload to manually upload the data after receiving the notification from Lenovo Support.
- To hide the Details area, click the collapse icon v on the top-right corner of the Details area.
- To sort the ticket list by alphabet or number, click the Ticket Number, Status, or Title column.

## Setting automatic problem reporting

This section describes how to enable or disable automatic problem reporting function, add, edit, or remove endpoints, and manage the rules for reporting problem automatically.

**Note:** After the functions in this page are enabled, the alerts associated with the enabled rules will be displayed once the problems are detected in the target endpoints, and the corresponding tickets will be automatically generated. You can click **Report Problem** in the alert bar to report problem. For more information, refer to "Reporting problem" on page 63.

#### Procedure

Step 1. In any of Lenovo extensions, do one of the following to go to the Settings page:

- Click the report problem icon on the top right corner, and click **Settings** from the menu.
- Click the more icon on the top right corner, and then click **Call Home** from the menu.
- Step 2. On the Settings page, do one or more of the following:
  - To enable or disable the automatic reporting function, click or enable or enable or enable or between **Enable** or **Disable**.
  - To add a host or cluster to be monitored:
    - 1. In the Managed Endpoints area, click Add. The Add Host or Cluster page is displayed.
    - 2. Input the host name.
    - 3. Do one of the following:
      - To use a new credential, select Use manually entered credentials and input user name and password.

Note: This credential will not be saved in the Credential drop-down list.

- To use an existing credential, select **Use stored credentials** and select the target credential from the drop-down list.

**Note:** To add, edit, or delete a credential, click **Open credential manager**. For more information, refer to "Managing credentials" on page 11.

4. Click **Apply**.

**Note:** When a host belonging to a cluster is added, the corresponding cluster will also be added.

- To edit a host to be monitored:
  - 1. In the **Managed Endpoints** area, select the target host, and click **Edit**. The Edit Cluster page is displayed.
  - 2. On the Edit Cluster page, do one of the following:
    - To use a new credential, select Use manually entered credentials and input user name and password.

Note: This credential will not be saved in the Credential drop-down list.

- To use an existing credential, select **Use stored credentials** and select the target credential from the drop-down list.

**Note:** To add, edit, or delete a credential, click **Open credential manager**. For more information, refer to "Managing credentials" on page 11.

- 3. Click Apply.
- To remove the host or cluster to be monitored:
  - 1. In the Managed Endpoints area, select one or more target hosts or clusters.
  - 2. Click Remove. The Remove Endpoints window is displayed.
  - 3. In the Remove Endpoints window, click OK.
- To test the accessibility between the host or cluster and the credential:
  - 1. In the Managed Endpoints area, select one or more target hosts or clusters.
  - 2. Click Test Accessibility.
- To enable or disable one or more rules for automatic problem reporting, click or in the **Rules** area to toggle between **Enable** or **Disable** for the target rules.
- Step 3. Click **Close** to save the settings.

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