

NPS, Wireless LAN Controllers, and Wireless Networks Configuration Example



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Introduction

This document provides a sample configuration for the Protected Extensible Authentication Protocol (PEAP) with Microsoft Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (MS–CHAP) version 2 authentication in a Cisco Unified Wireless network with the Microsoft Network Policy Server (NPS) as the RADIUS server.

Prerequisites

Requirements

Ensure that you are familiar with these procedures before you attempt this configuration:

- Knowledge of basic Windows 2008 installation
- Knowledge of Cisco controller installation

Ensure that these requirements have been met before you attempt this configuration:

- Install the Microsoft Windows Server 2008 operating system on each of the servers in the test lab.
- Update all service packs.
- Install the controllers and lightweight access points (LAPs).
- Configure the latest software updates.

For initial installation and configuration information for the Cisco 5508 Series Wireless Controllers, refer to the Cisco 5500 Series Wireless Controller Installation Guide.

Note: This document is intended to give the readers an example on the configuration required on a Microsoft server for PEAP–MS–CHAP authentication. The Microsoft Windows server configuration presented in this document has been tested in the lab and found to work as expected. If you have trouble with the configuration, contact Microsoft for help. The Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) does not support Microsoft Windows server configuration.

Microsoft Windows 2008 installation and configuration guides can be found on Microsoft Tech Net.

Components Used

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

- Cisco 5508 Wireless Controller that runs firmware Version 7.4
- Cisco Aironet 3602 Access Point (AP) with Lightweight Access Point Protocol (LWAPP)
- Windows 2008 Enterprise Server with NPS, Certificate Authority (CA), dynamic host control protocol (DHCP), and Domain Name System (DNS) services installed
- Microsoft Windows 7 client PC
- Cisco Catalyst 3560 Series Switch

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

Conventions

Refer to the Cisco Technical Tips Conventions for more information on document conventions.

PEAP Overview

PEAP uses Transport Level Security (TLS) to create an encrypted channel between an authenticating PEAP client, such as a wireless laptop, and a PEAP authenticator, such as Microsoft NPS or any RADIUS server. PEAP does not specify an authentication method, but provides additional security for other Extensible Authentication Protocols (EAPs), such as EAP–MS–CHAP v2, that can operate through the TLS–encrypted channel provided by PEAP. The PEAP authentication process consists of two main phases.

PEAP Phase One: TLS–Encrypted Channel

The wireless client associates with the AP. An IEEE 802.11–based association provides an open system or shared key authentication before a secure association is created between the client and the access point. After the IEEE 802.11–based association is successfully established between the client and the access point, the TLS session is negotiated with the AP. After authentication is successfully completed between the wireless client and NPS, the TLS session is negotiated between the client and NPS. The key that is derived within this negotiation is used to encrypt all subsequent communication.

PEAP Phase Two: EAP–Authenticated Communication

EAP communication, which includes EAP negotiation, occurs inside the TLS channel created by PEAP within the first stage of the PEAP authentication process. The NPS authenticates the wireless client with EAP–MS–CHAP v2. The LAP and the controller only forward messages between the wireless client and

RADIUS server. The Wireless LAN Controller (WLC) and the LAP cannot decrypt these messages because it is not the TLS end point.

The RADIUS message sequence for a successful authentication attempt (where the user has supplied valid password-based credentials with PEAP-MS-CHAP v2) is:

1. The NPS sends an identity request message to the client: EAP-Request/Identity.
2. The client responds with an identity response message: EAP-Response/Identity.
3. The NPS sends an MS-CHAP v2 challenge message: EAP-Request/EAP-Type=EAP-MS-CHAP-V2 (Challenge).
4. The client responds with an MS-CHAP v2 challenge and response: EAP-Response/EAP-Type=EAP-MS-CHAP-V2 (Response).
5. The NPS sends back an MS-CHAP v2 success packet when the server has successfully authenticated the client: EAP-Request/EAP-Type=EAP-MS-CHAP-V2 (Success).
6. The client responds with an MS-CHAP v2 success packet when the client has successfully authenticated the server: EAP-Response/EAP-Type=EAP-MS-CHAP-V2 (Success).
7. The NPS sends an EAP-type-length-value (TLV) that indicates successful authentication.
8. The client responds with an EAP-TLV status success message.
9. The server completes authentication and sends an EAP-Success message in plain text. If VLANs are deployed for client isolation, the VLAN attributes are included in this message.

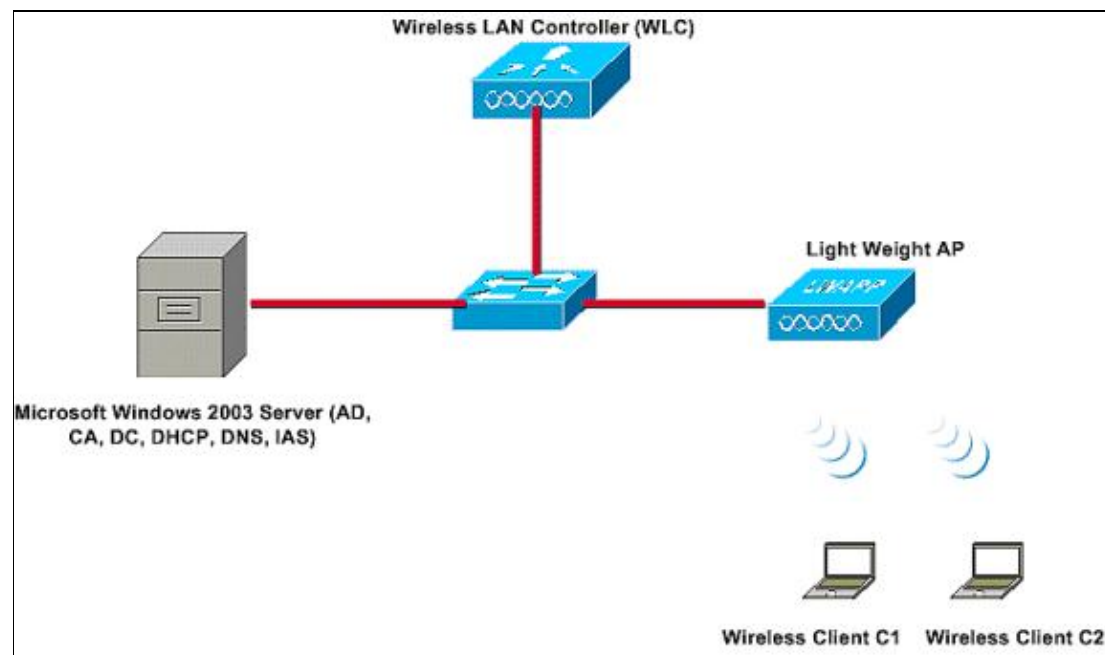
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In this section, you are presented with the information to configure PEAP-MS-CHAP v2.

Note: Use the Command Lookup Tool (registered customers only) to obtain more information on the commands used in this section.

Network Diagram

This configuration uses this network setup:



In this setup, a Microsoft Windows 2008 server performs these roles:

- Domain controller for the domain wireless.com
- DHCP/DNS server
- CA server
- NPS ? to authenticate the wireless users
- Active Directory ? to maintain the user database

The server connects to the wired network through a Layer 2 switch as shown. The WLC and the registered LAP also connect to the network through the Layer 2 switch.

The wireless clients use Wi-Fi Protected Access 2 (WPA2) – PEAP–MS–CHAP v2 authentication to connect to the wireless network.

Configurations

The objective of this example is to configure the Microsoft 2008 server, Wireless LAN Controller, and Light Weight AP to authenticate the wireless clients with PEAP–MS–CHAP v2 authentication. There are three major steps in this process:

1. Configure the Microsoft Windows 2008 Server.
2. Configure the WLC and the Light Weight APs.
3. Configure the wireless clients.

Configure the Microsoft Windows 2008 Server

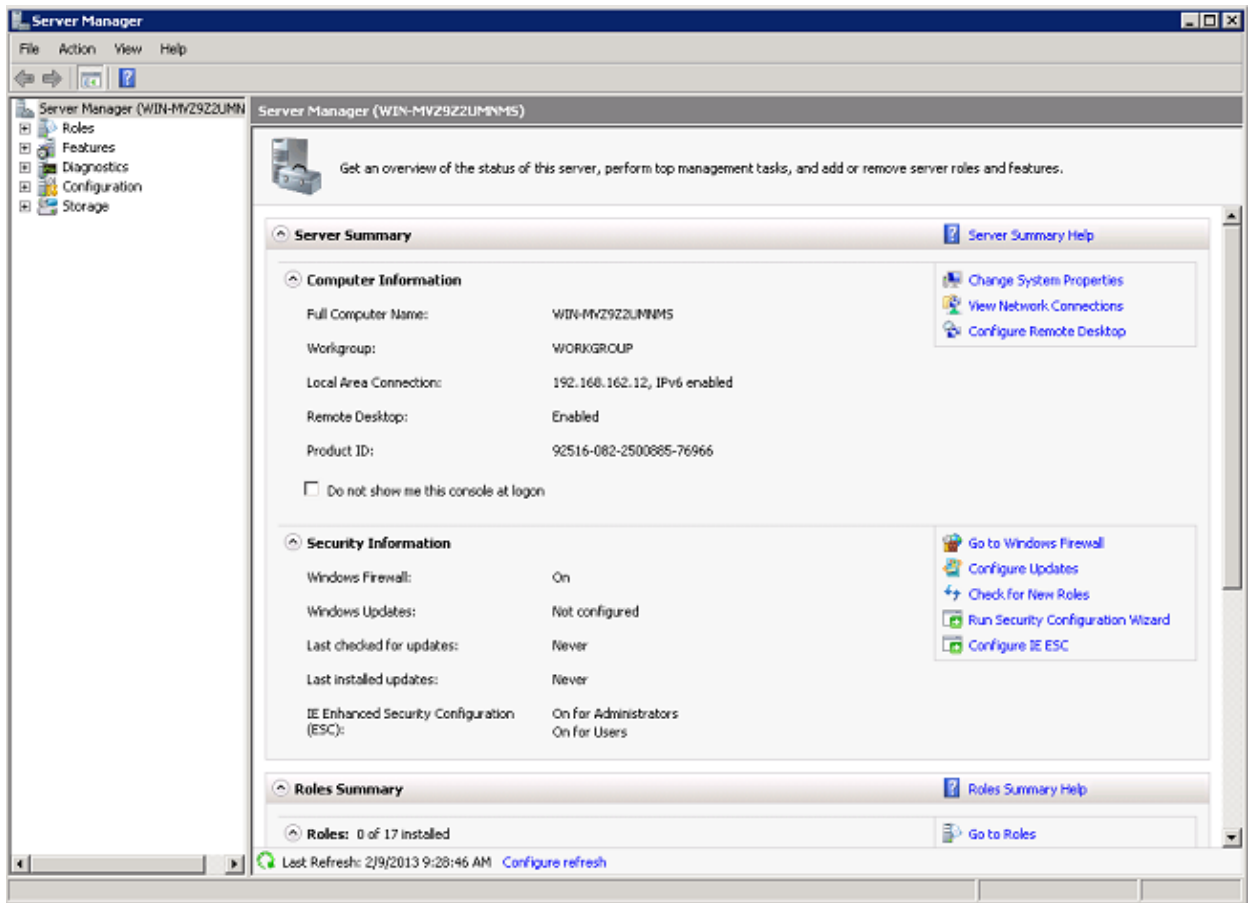
In this example, a complete configuration of the Microsoft Windows 2008 server includes these steps:

1. Configure the server as a domain controller.
2. Install and configure DHCP services.
3. install and configure the server as a CA server.
4. Connect clients to the domain.
5. Install the NPS.
6. Install a certificate.
7. Configure the NPS for PEAP authentication.
8. Add users to the Active Directory.

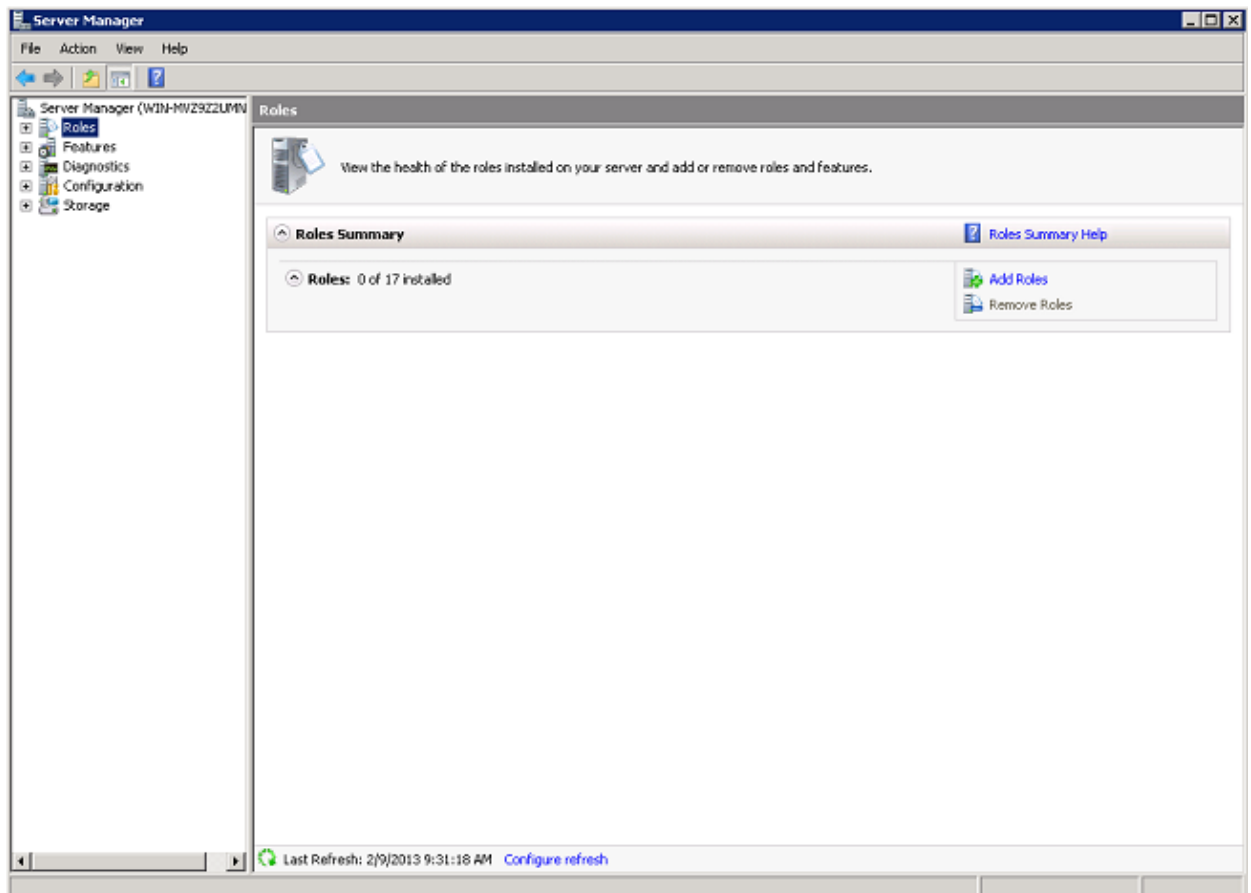
Configure the Microsoft Windows 2008 Server as a Domain Controller

Complete these steps in order to configure the Microsoft Windows 2008 server as a domain controller:

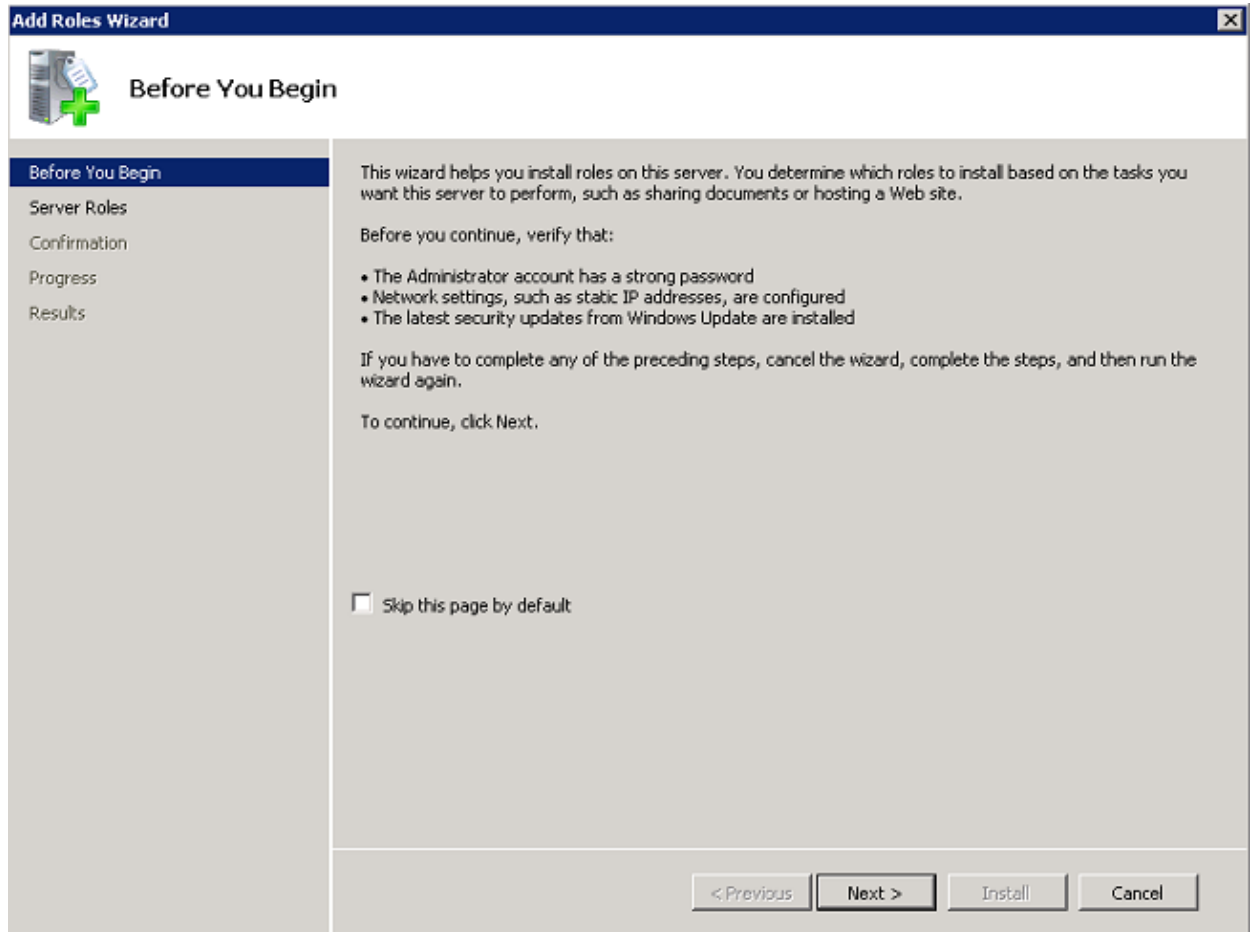
1. Click *Start > Server Manager*.



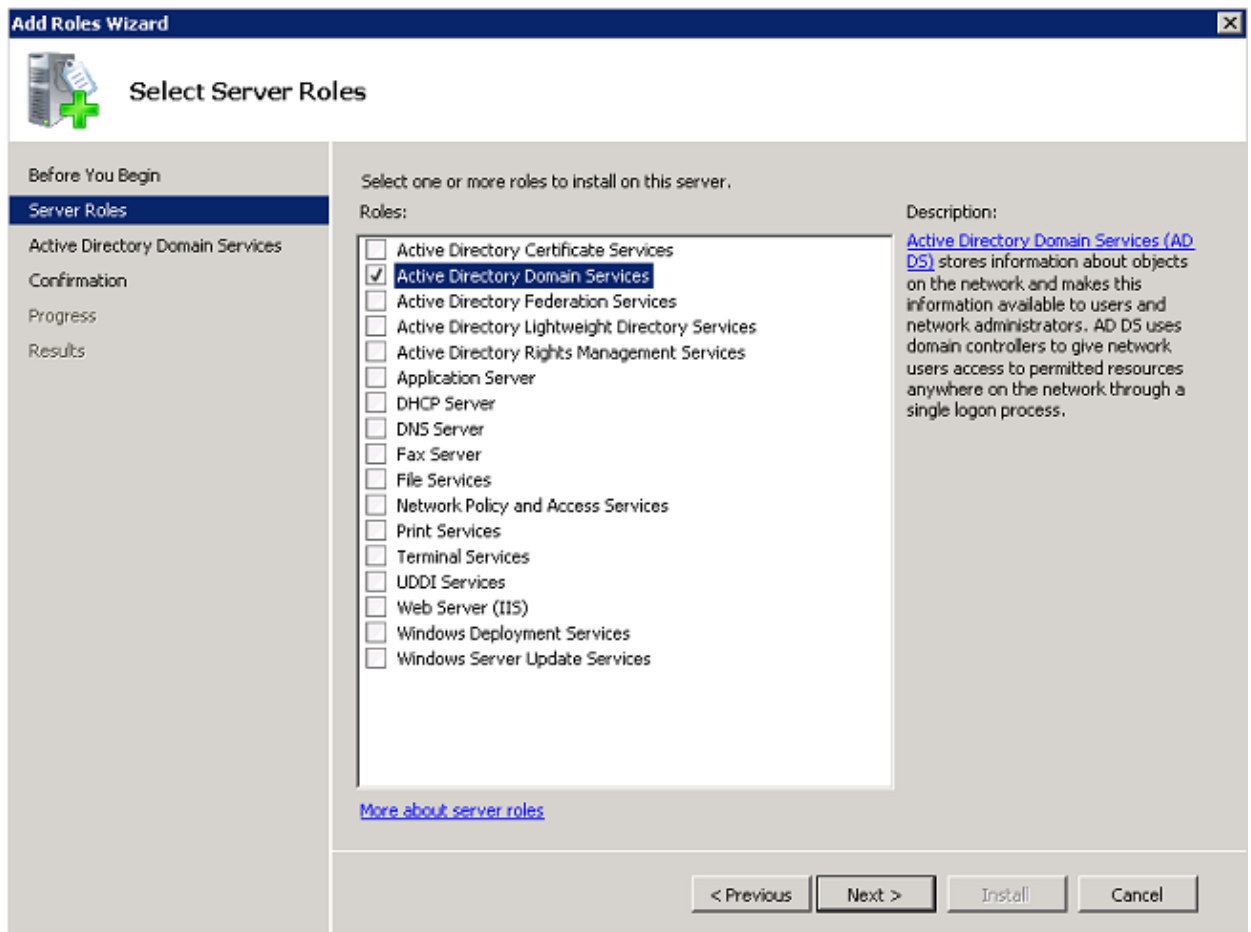
2. Click **Roles** > **Add Roles**.



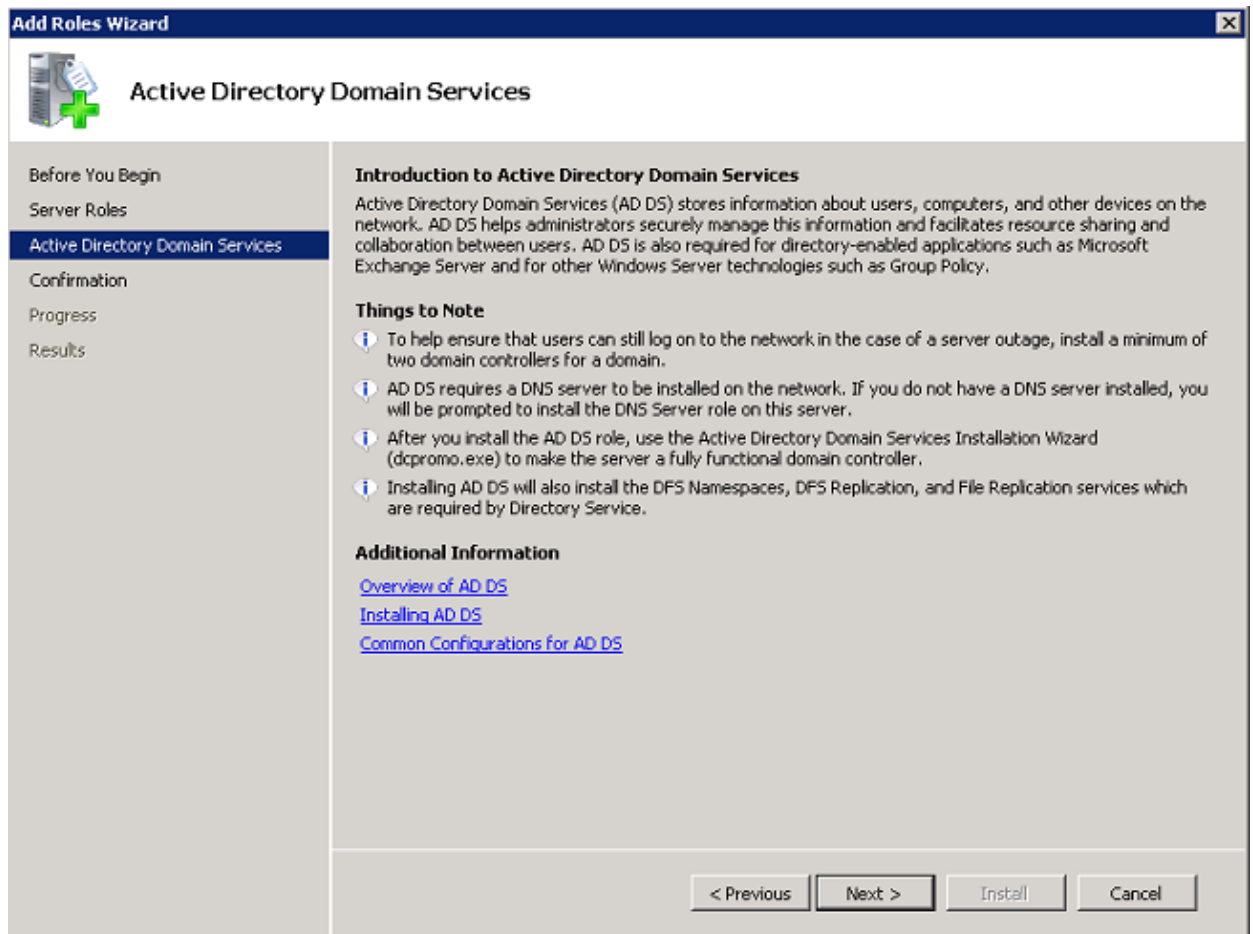
3. Click *Next*.



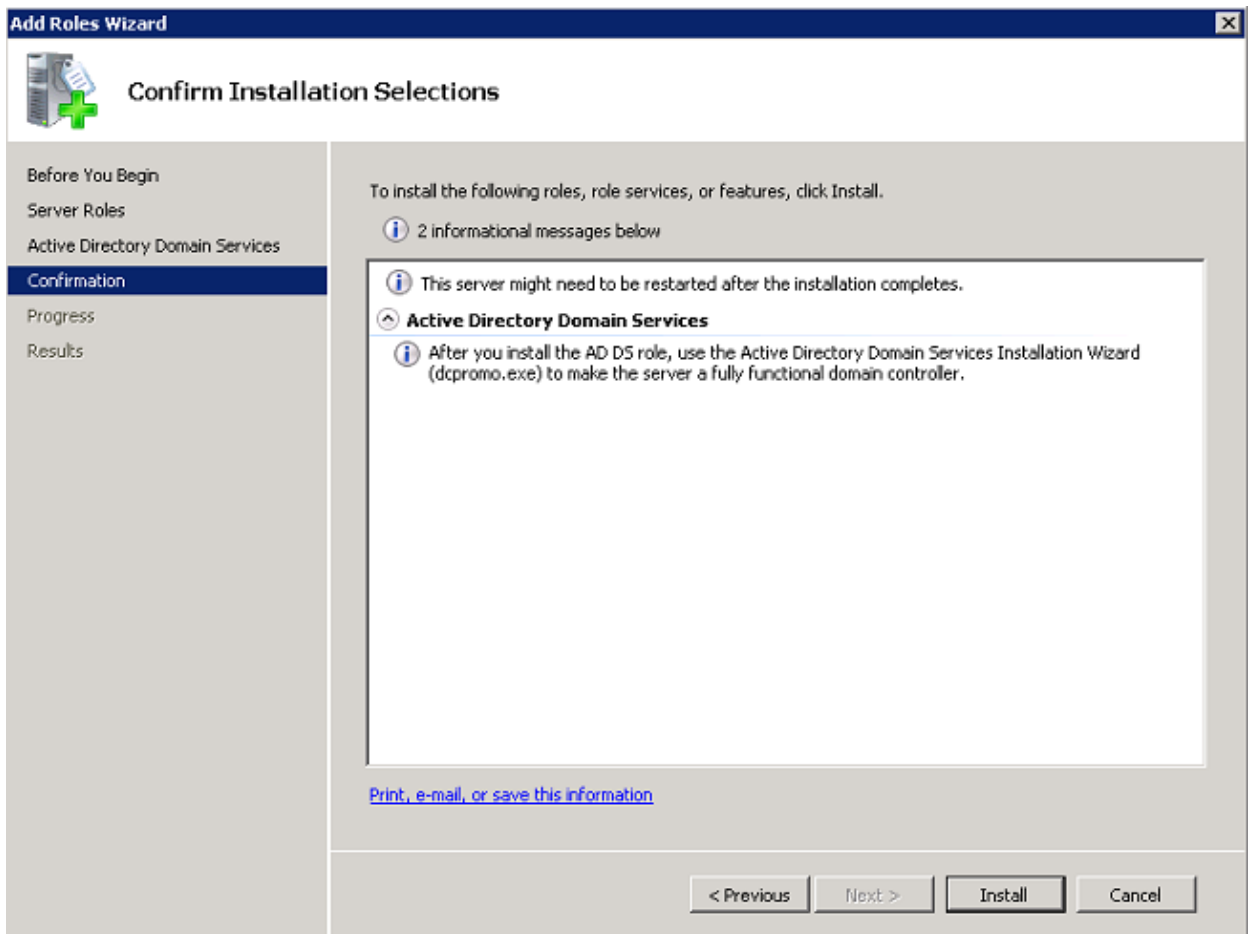
4. Select the service *Active Directory Domain Services*, and click *Next*.



5. Review the Introduction to Active Directory Domain Services, and click *Next*.

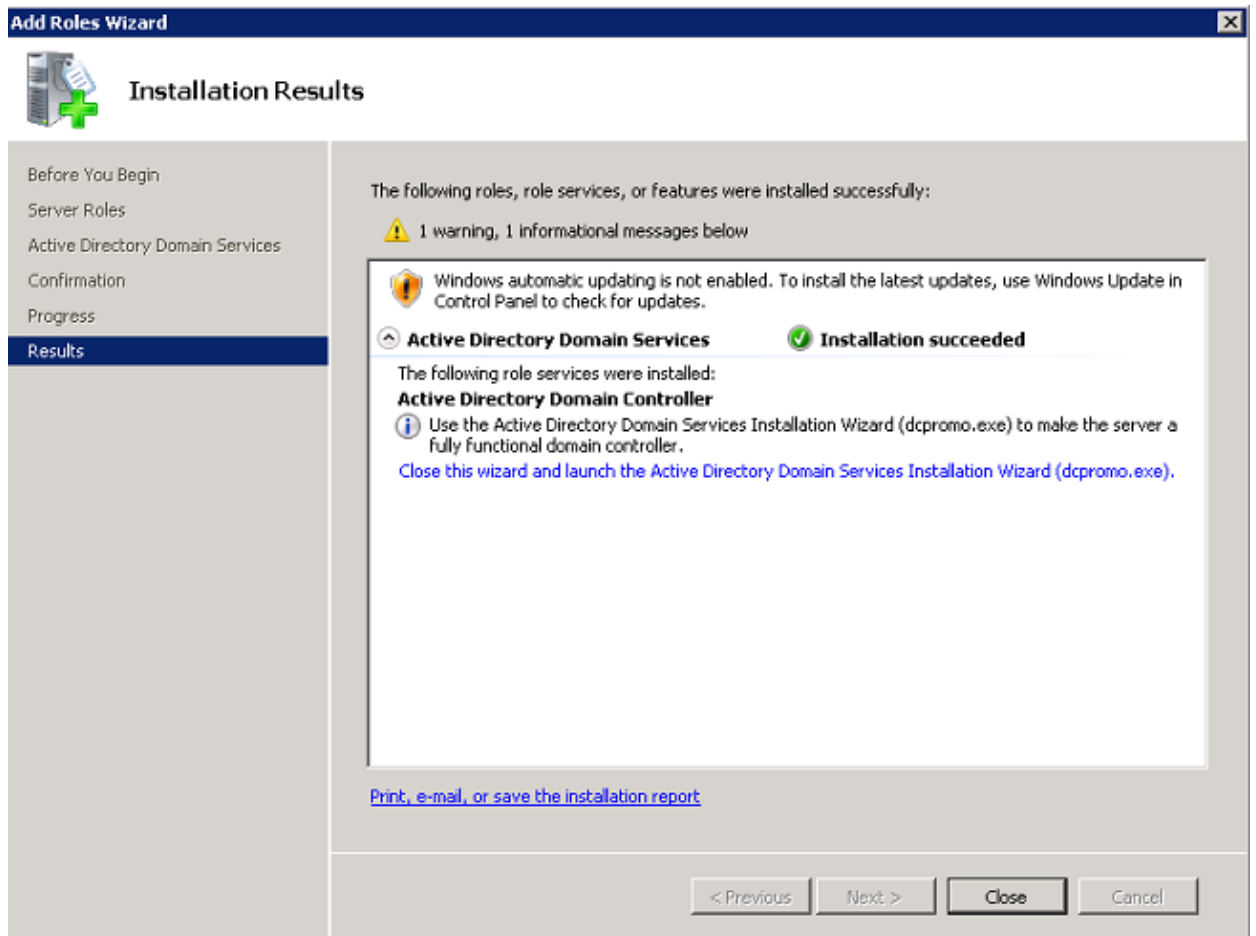


6. Click ***Install*** to begin the installation process.



The installation proceeds and completes.

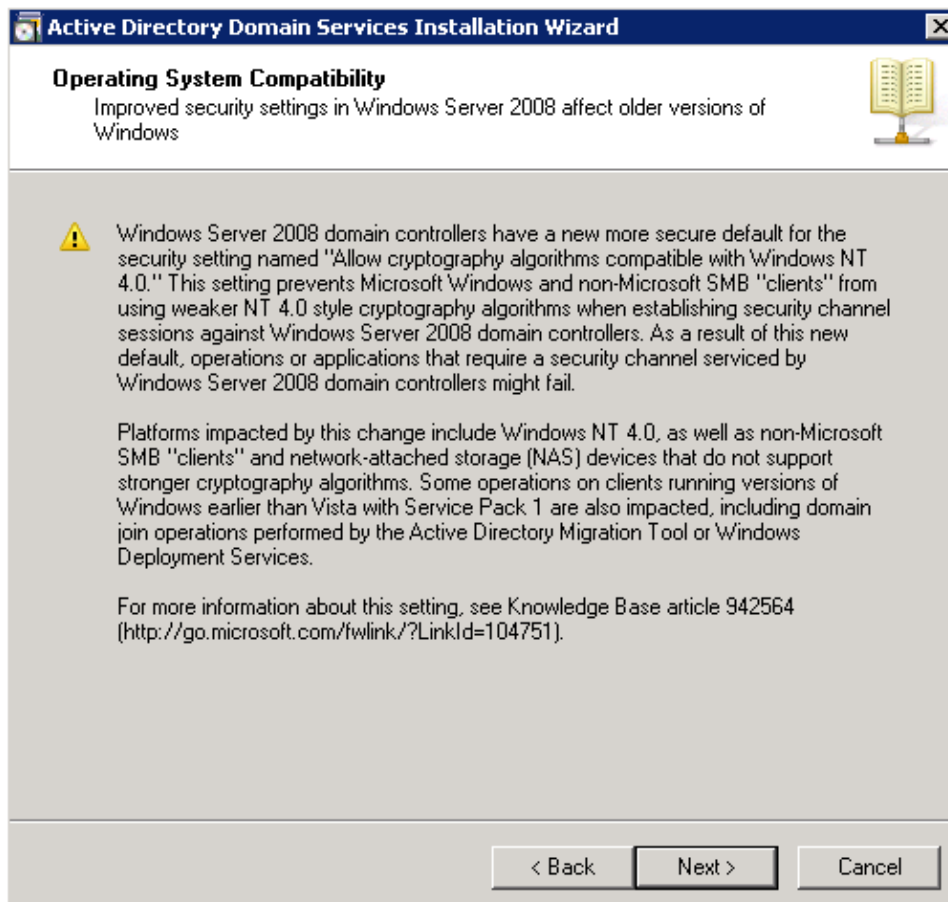
7. Click ***Close this wizard and launch the Active Directory Domain Services Installation Wizard (dcpromo.exe)*** to continue installation and configuration of the Active Directory.



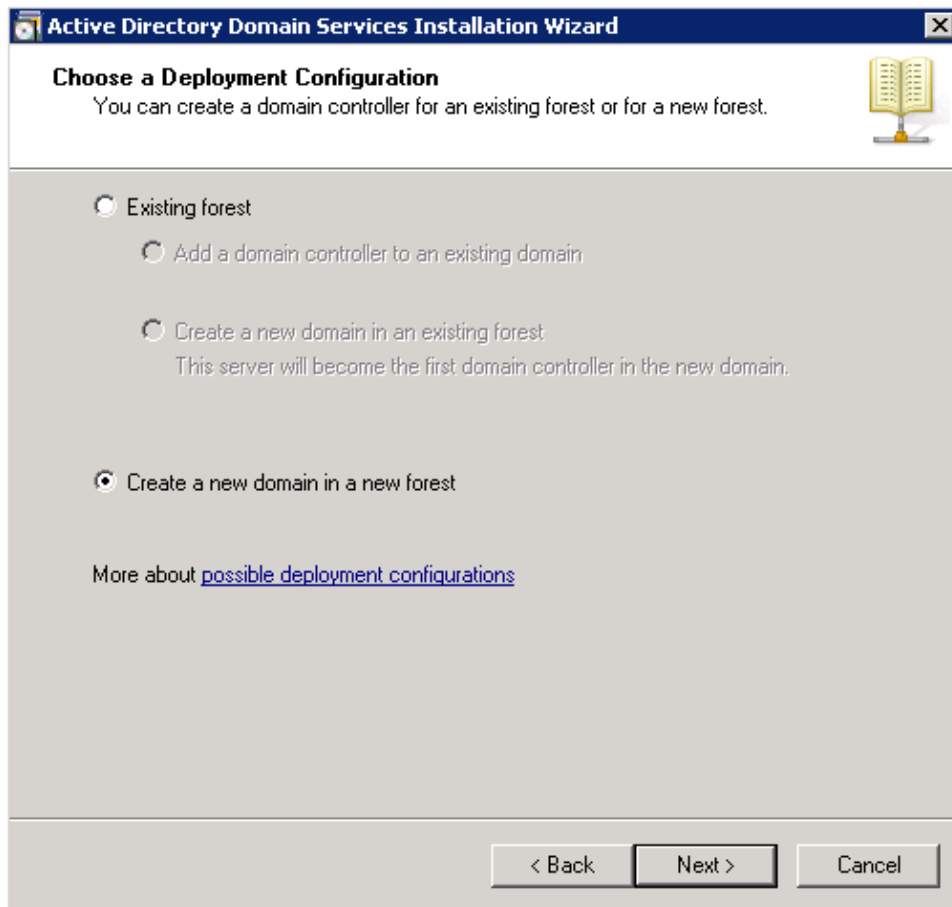
8. Click *Next* to run the Active Directory Domain Services Installation Wizard.



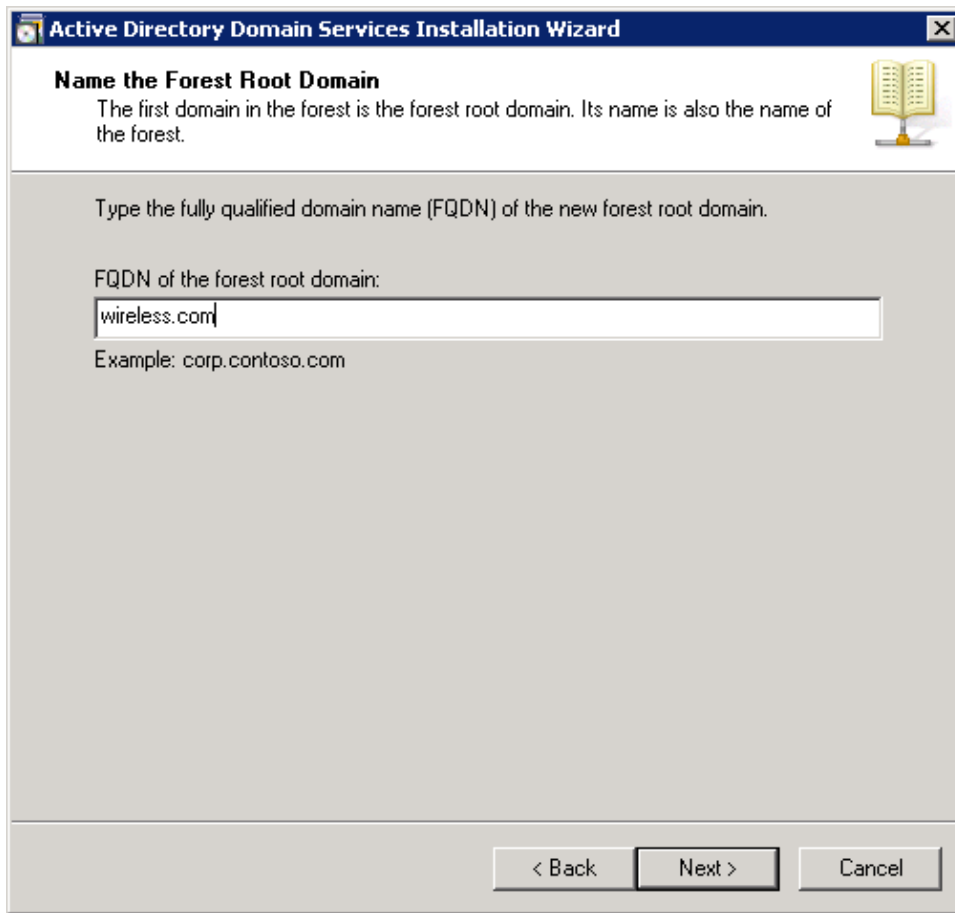
9. Review the information on Operating System Compatibility, and click *Next*.



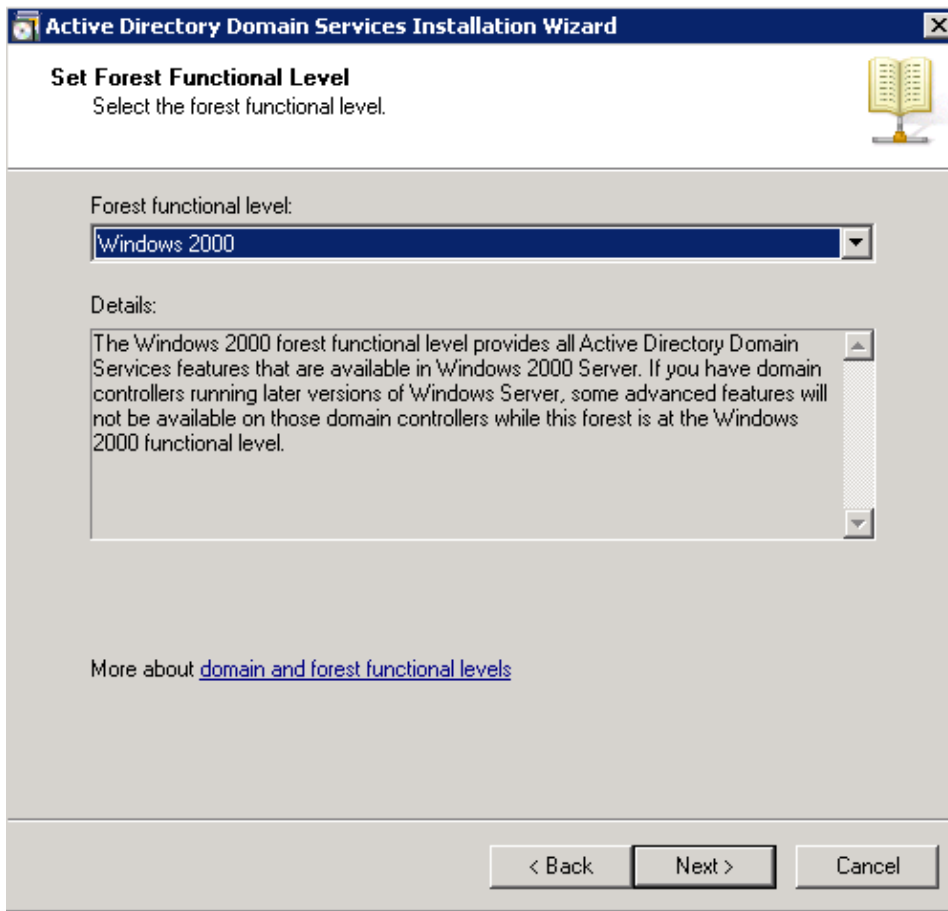
10. Click *Create a new domain in a new forest* > *Next* in order to create a new domain.



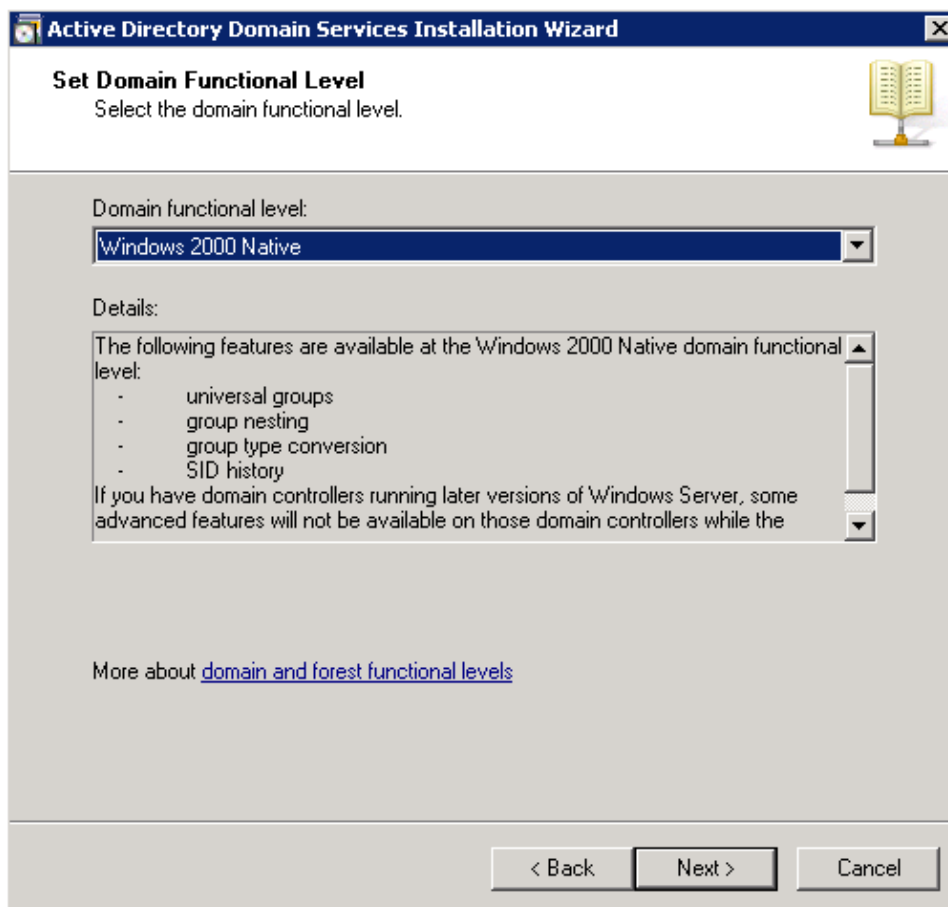
11. Enter the full DNS name for the new domain (wireless.com in this example), and click *Next*.



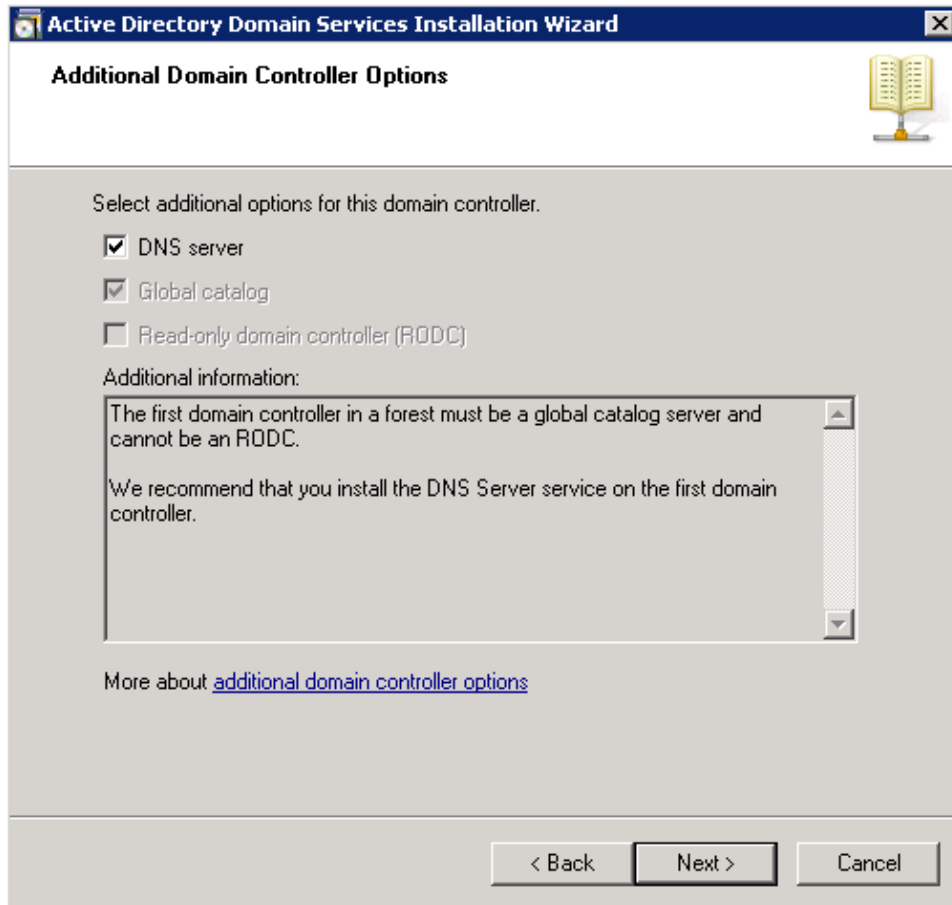
12. Select the forest functional level for your domain, and click *Next*.



13. Select the domain functional level for your domain, and click *Next*.



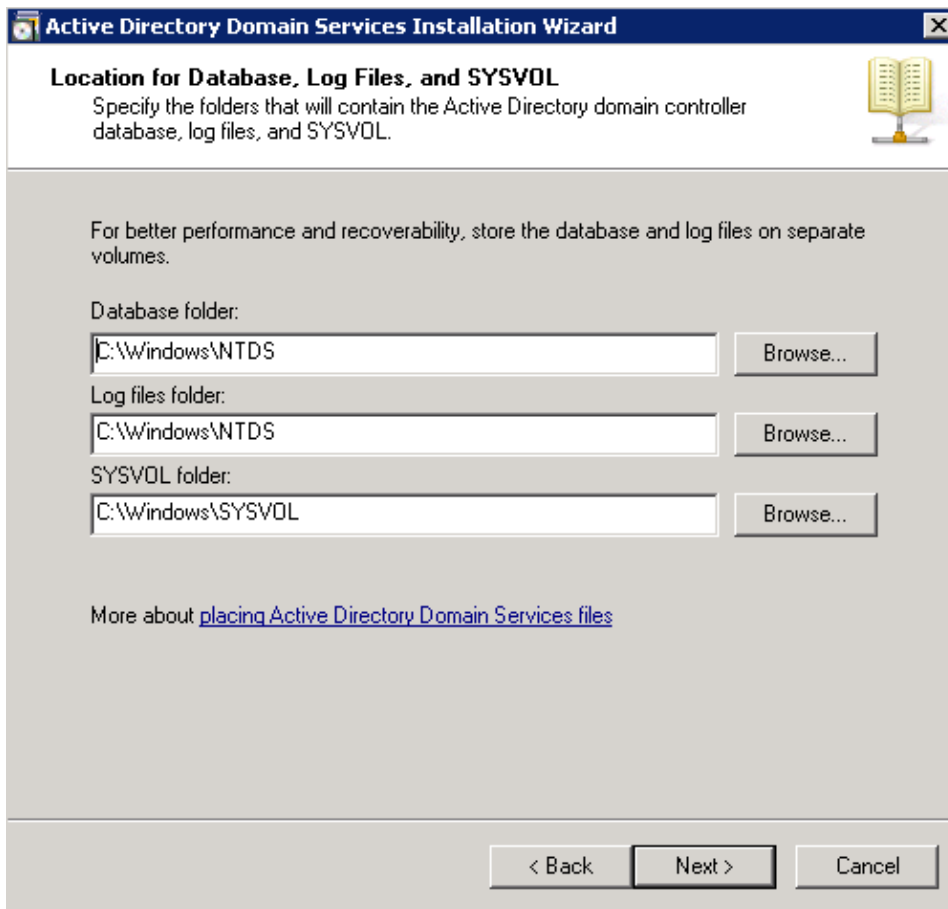
14. Ensure DNS server is selected, and click *Next*.



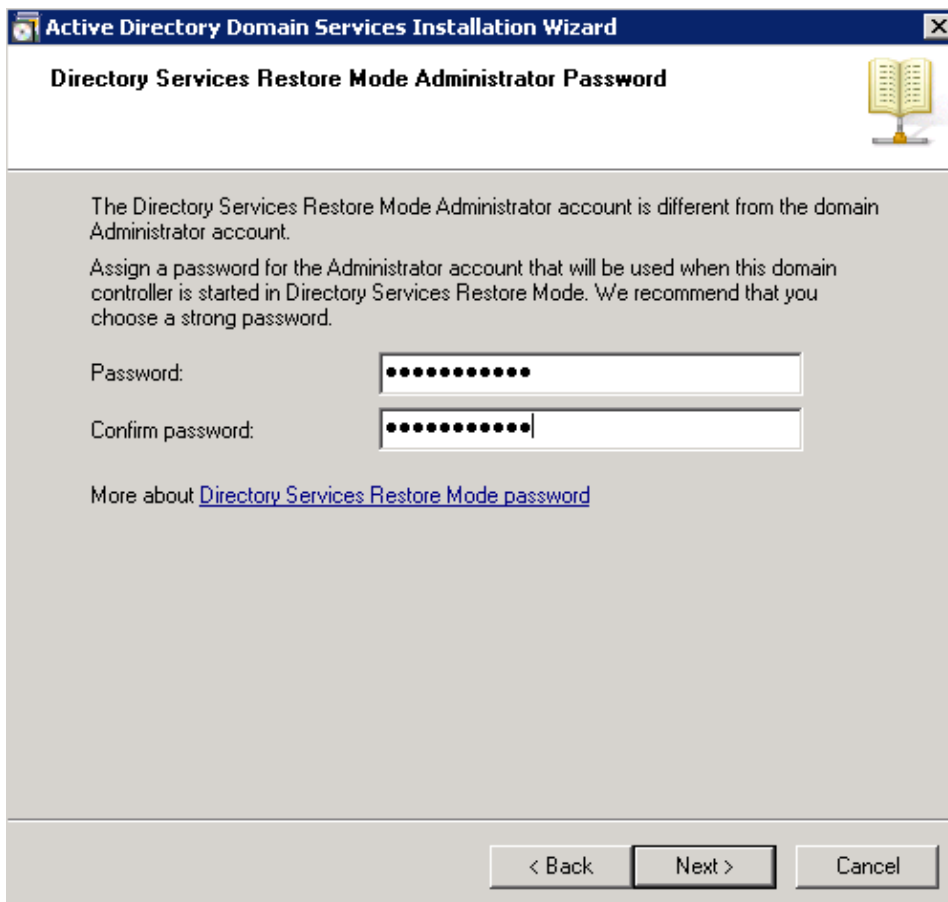
15. Click *Yes* for the installation wizard to create a new zone in DNS for the domain.



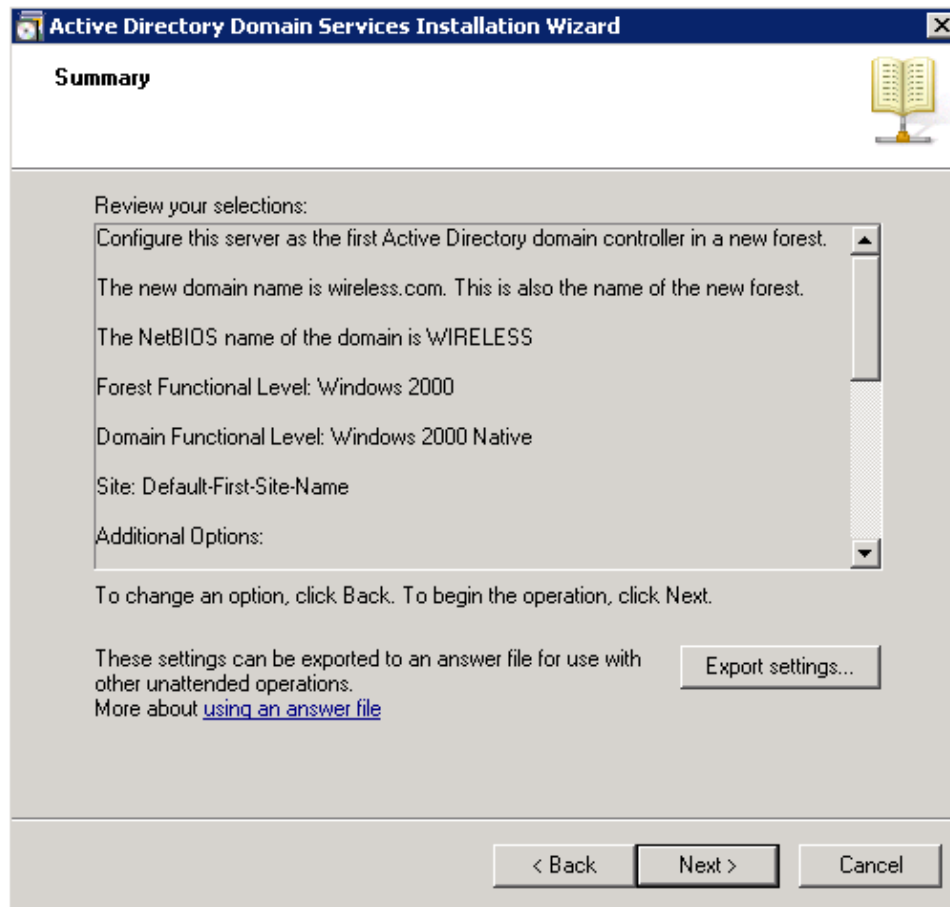
16. Select the folders Active Directory should use for its files, and click *Next*.



17. Enter the Administrator Password, and click *Next*.

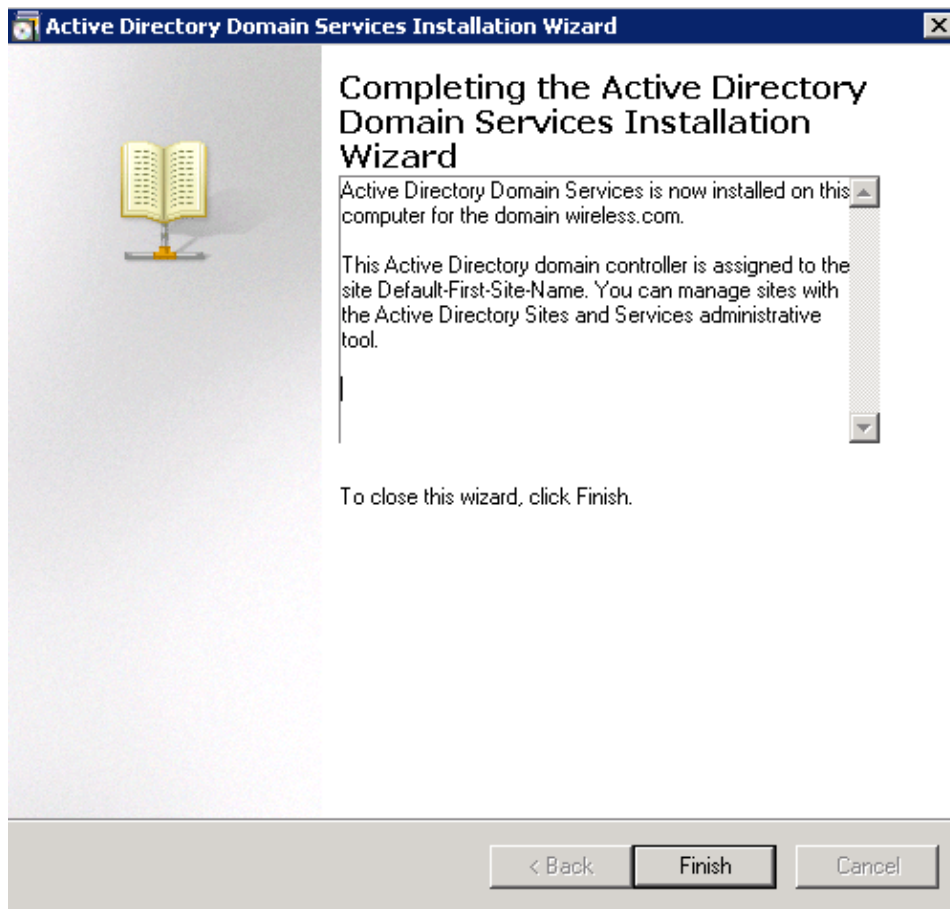


18. Review your selections, and click *Next*.

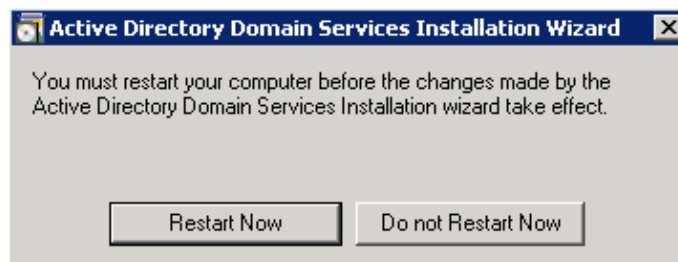


The installation proceeds.

19. Click *Finish* to close the wizard.



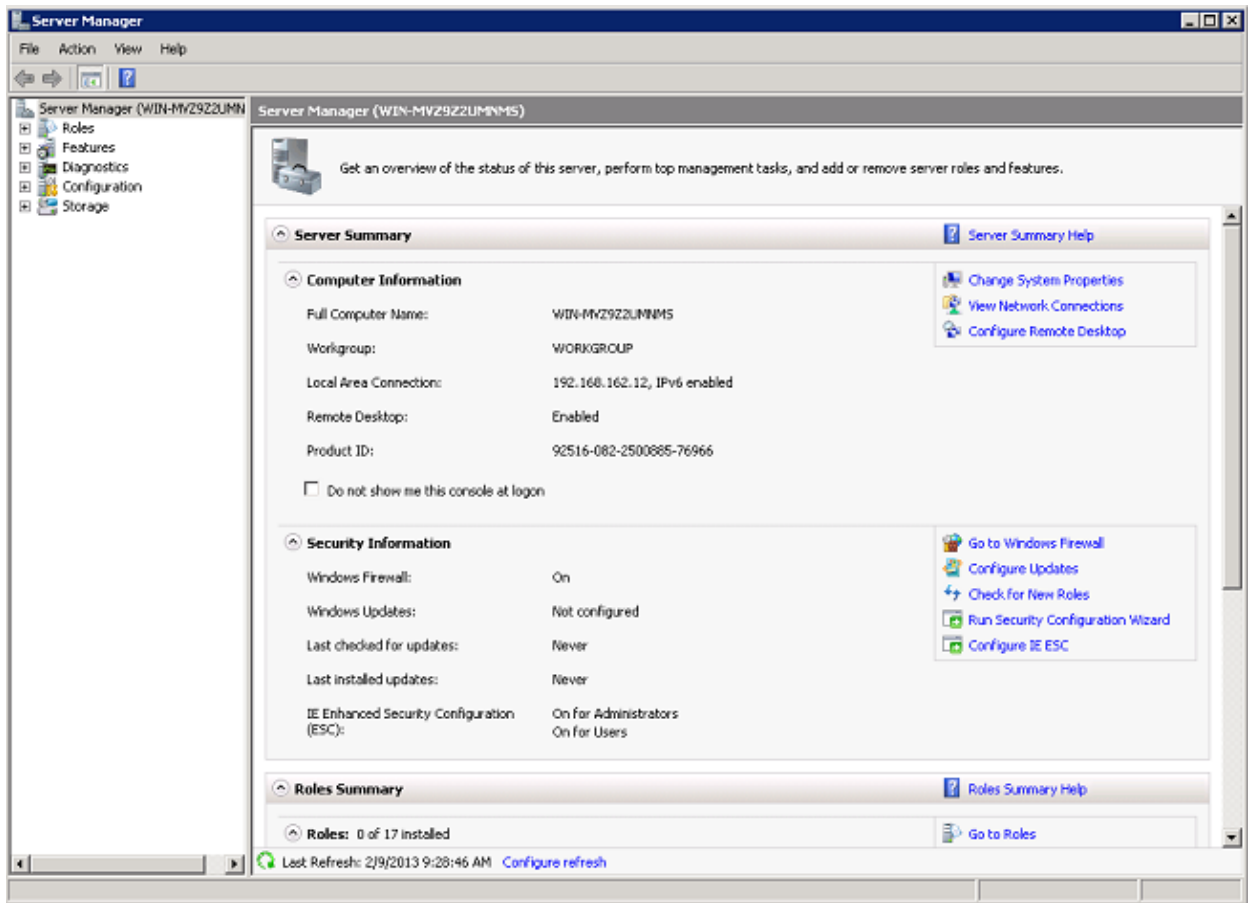
20. Restart the server for the changes to take effect.



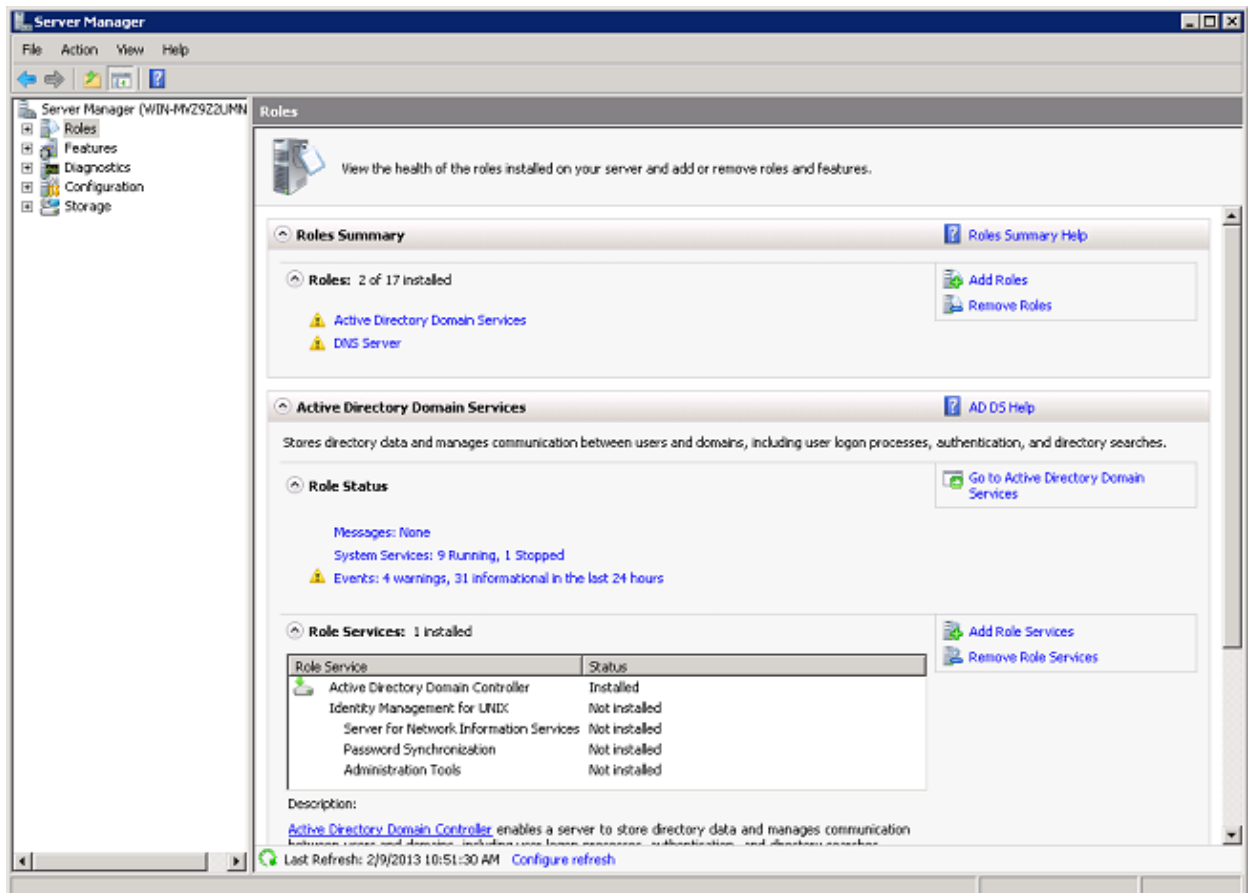
Install and Configure DHCP Services on the Microsoft Windows 2008 Server

The DHCP service on the Microsoft 2008 server is used to provide IP addresses to the wireless clients. Complete these steps in order to install and configure DHCP services:

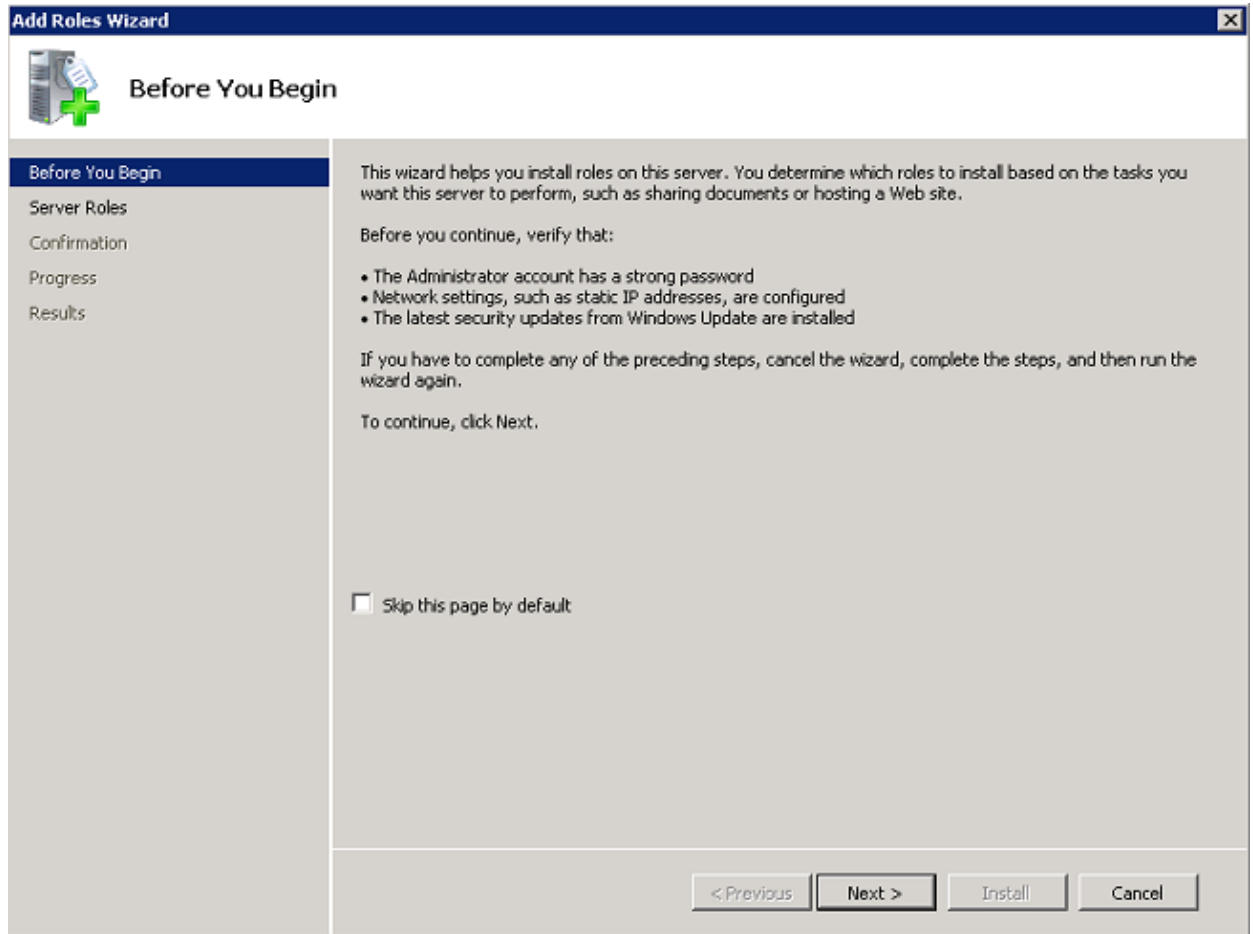
1. Click *Start > Server Manager*.



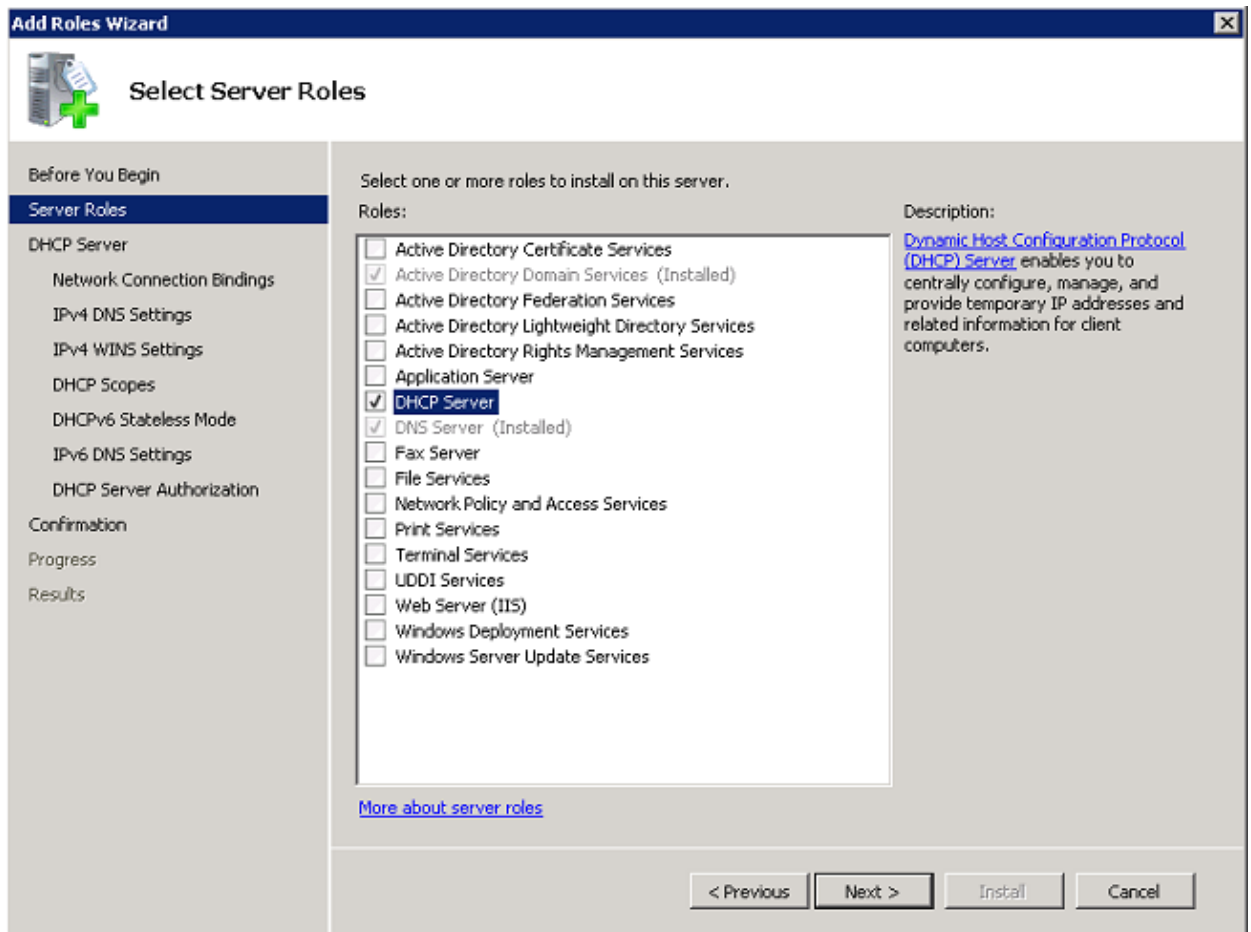
2. Click **Roles > Add Roles**.



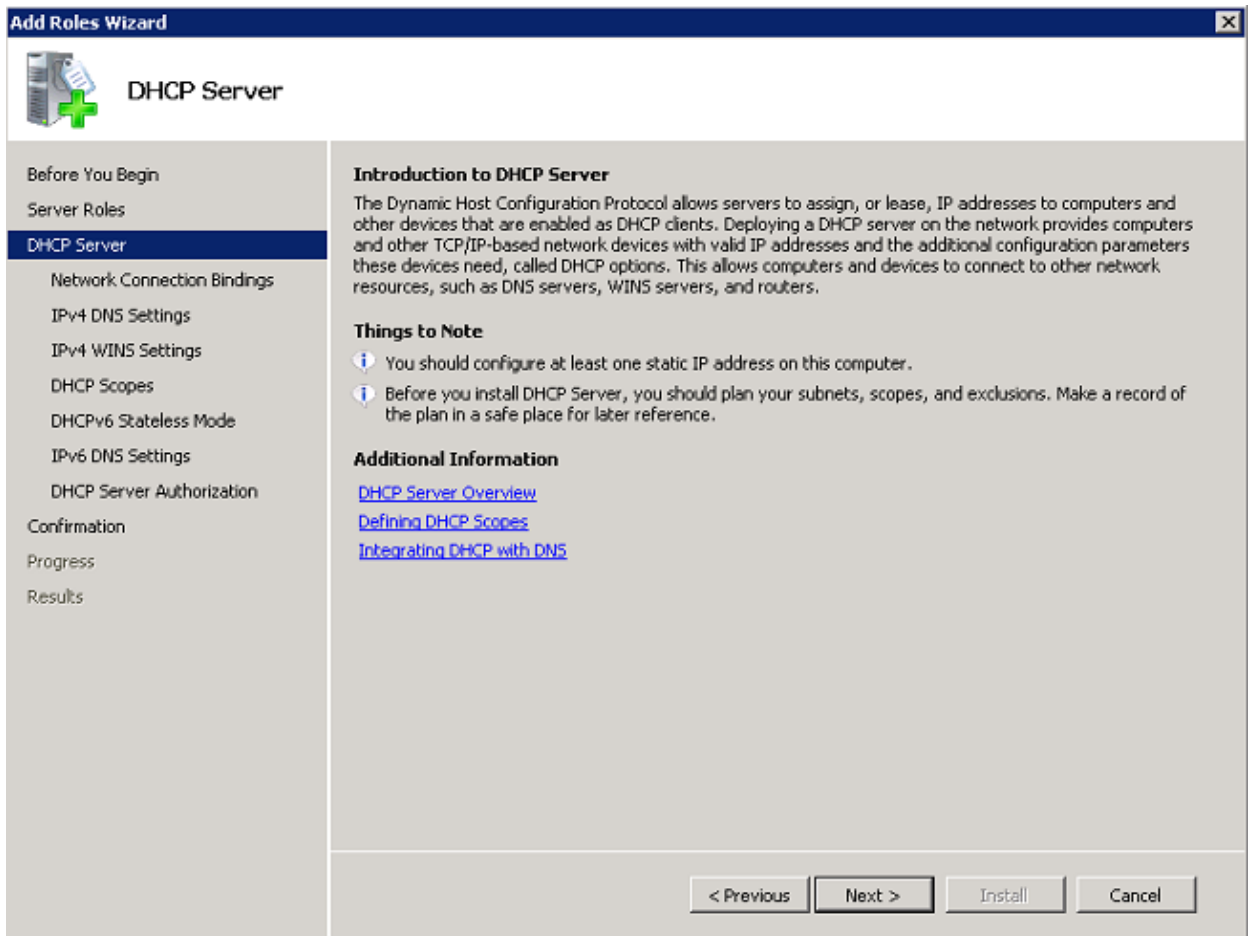
3. Click *Next*.



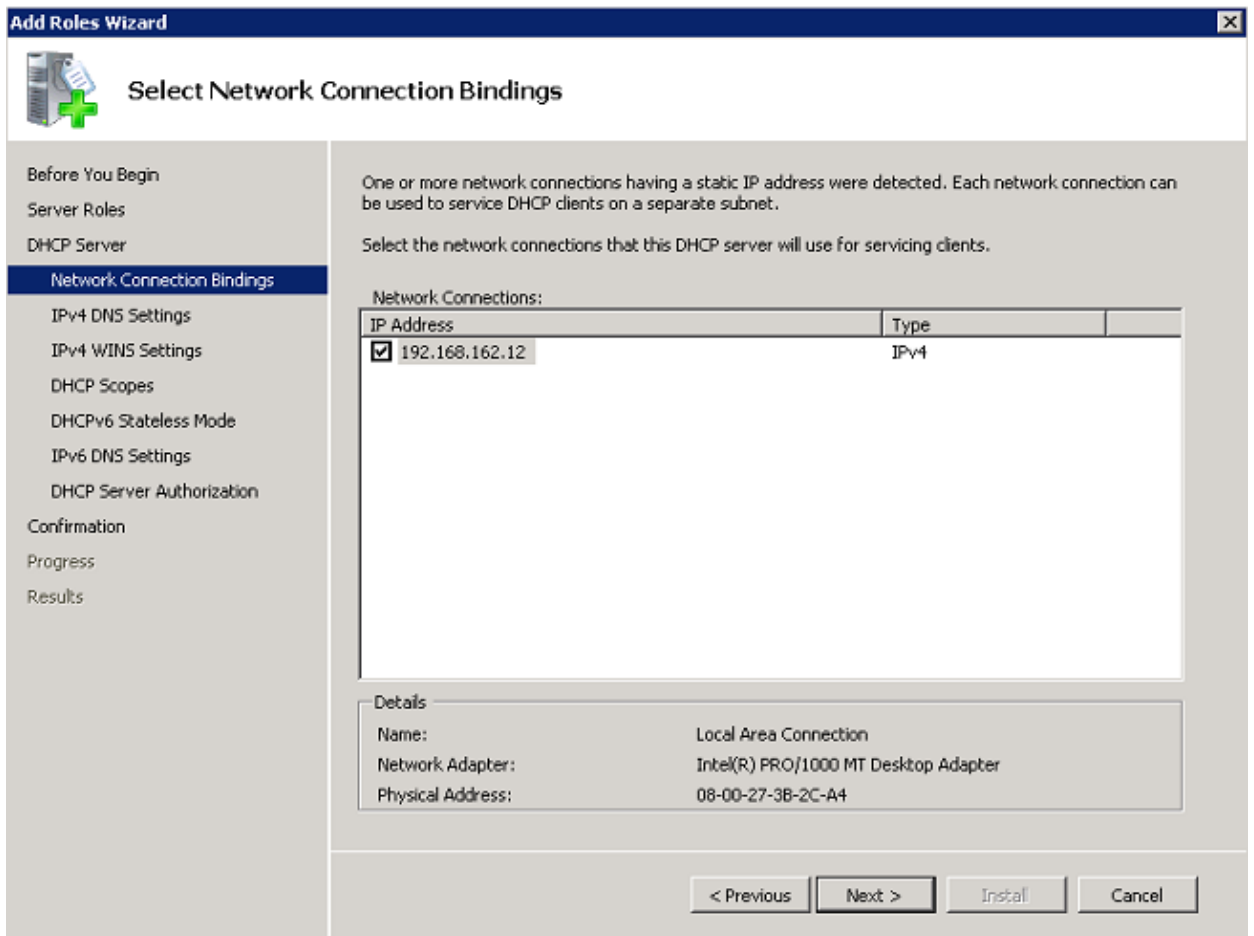
4. Select the service *DHCP Server*, and click *Next*.



5. Review the Introduction to DHCP Server, and click *Next*.




6. Select the interface that the DHCP server should monitor for requests, and click *Next*.



7. Configure the default DNS settings the DHCP server should provide to clients, and click *Next*.

Add Roles Wizard [X]

 **Specify IPv4 DNS Server Settings**

Before You Begin

Server Roles

DHCP Server

Network Connection Bindings

IPv4 DNS Settings

IPv4 WINS Settings

DHCP Scopes

DHCPv6 Stateless Mode

IPv6 DNS Settings

DHCP Server Authorization

Confirmation

Progress

Results

When clients obtain an IP address from the DHCP server, they can be given DHCP options such as the IP addresses of DNS servers and the parent domain name. The settings you provide here will be applied to clients using IPv4.

Specify the name of the parent domain that clients will use for name resolution. This domain will be used for all scopes you create on this DHCP server.

Parent Domain:

Specify the IP addresses of the DNS servers that clients will use for name resolution. These DNS servers will be used for all scopes you create on this DHCP server.

Preferred DNS Server IPv4 Address:

Alternate DNS Server IPv4 Address:

[More about DNS server settings](#)

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8. Configure WINS if the network supports WINS.

Add Roles Wizard

Specify IPv4 WINS Server Settings

When clients obtain an IP address from the DHCP server, they can be given DHCP options such as the IP addresses of WINS servers. The settings you provide here will be applied to clients using IPv4.

WINS is not required for applications on this network

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Specify the IP addresses of the WINS servers that clients will use for name resolution. These WINS servers will be used for all scopes you create on this DHCP server.

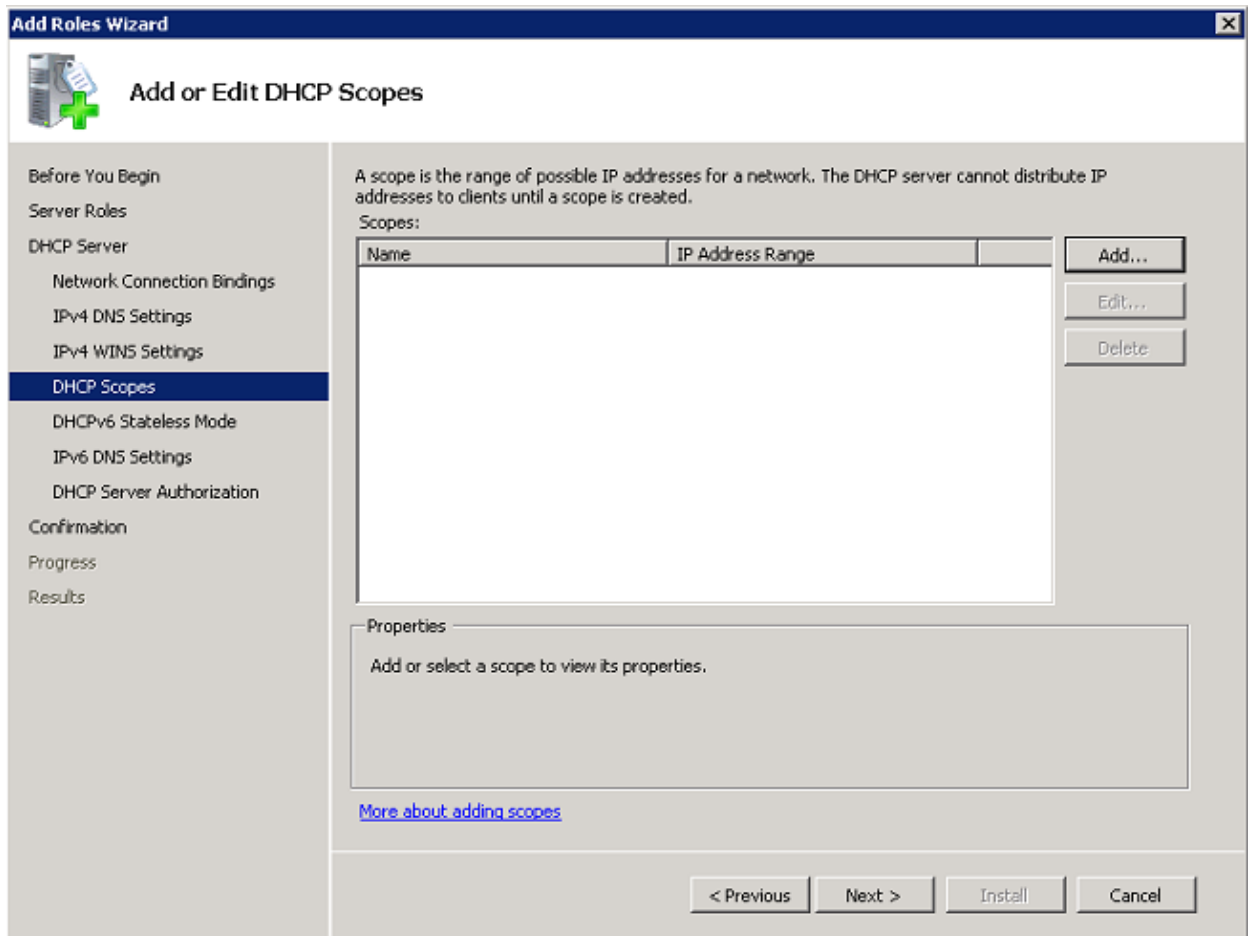
Preferred WINS Server IP Address:

Alternate WINS Server IP Address:

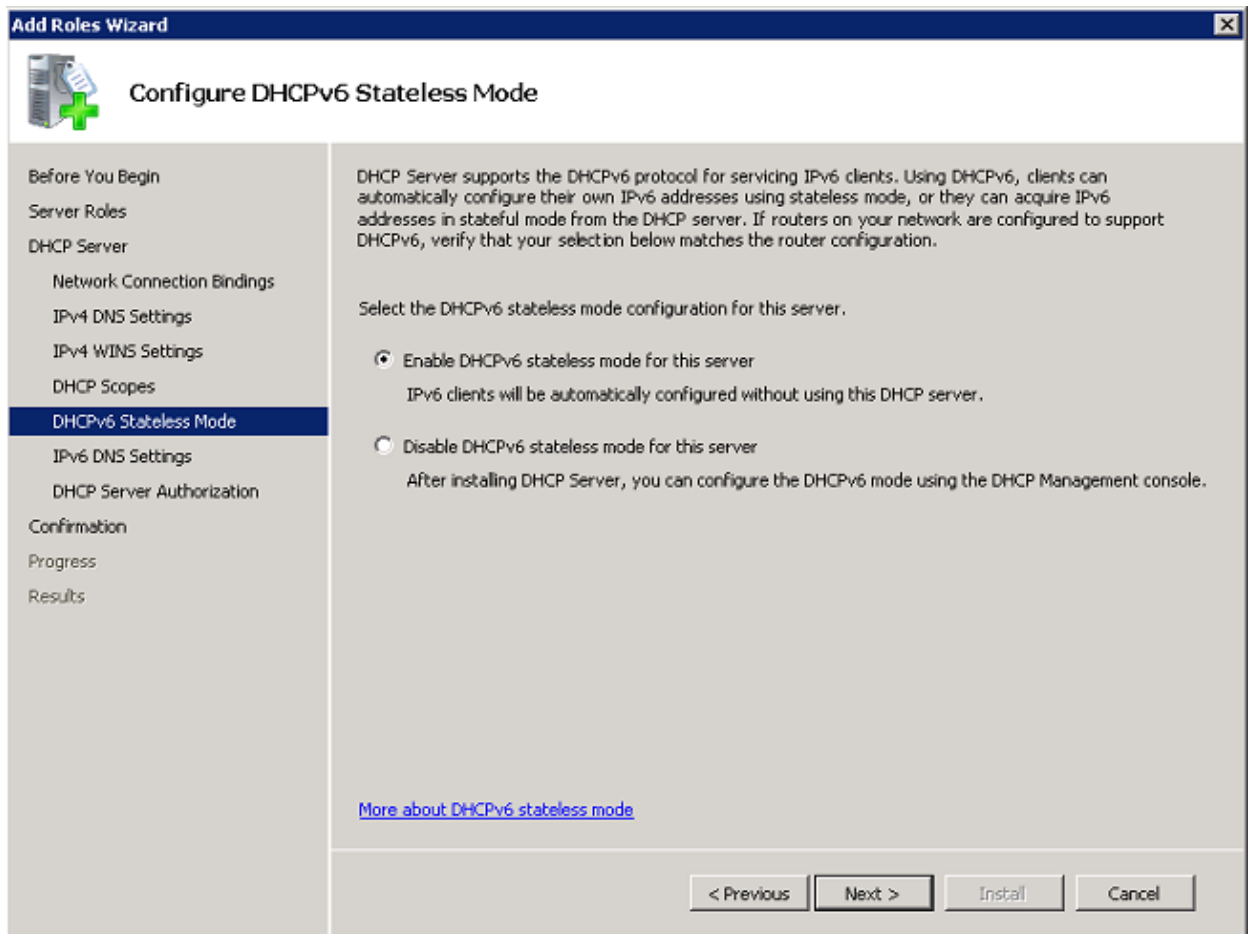
[More about WINS server settings](#)

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9. Click **Add** to use the wizard to create a DHCP Scope or click **Next** to create a DHCP scope later. Click **Next** to continue.




10. Enable or disable DHCPv6 support on the server, and click *Next*.



11. Configure IPv6 DNS settings if DHCPv6 was enabled in the preceding step. Click *Next* to continue.

Add Roles Wizard [X]

 **Specify IPv6 DNS Server Settings**

Before You Begin

Server Roles

DHCP Server

- Network Connection Bindings
- IPv4 DNS Settings
- IPv4 WINS Settings
- DHCP Scopes
- DHCPv6 Stateless Mode
- IPv6 DNS Settings**
- DHCP Server Authorization

Confirmation

Progress

Results

When clients obtain an IP address from the DHCP server, they can be given DHCP options such as the IP addresses of DNS servers and the parent domain name. The settings you provide here will be applied to clients using IPv6.

Specify the name of the parent domain that clients will use for name resolution. This domain will be used for all scopes you create on this stateless IPv6 DHCP server.

Parent Domain:

Specify the IP addresses of the DNS servers that clients will use for name resolution. These DNS servers will be used for all scopes you create on this DHCP server.

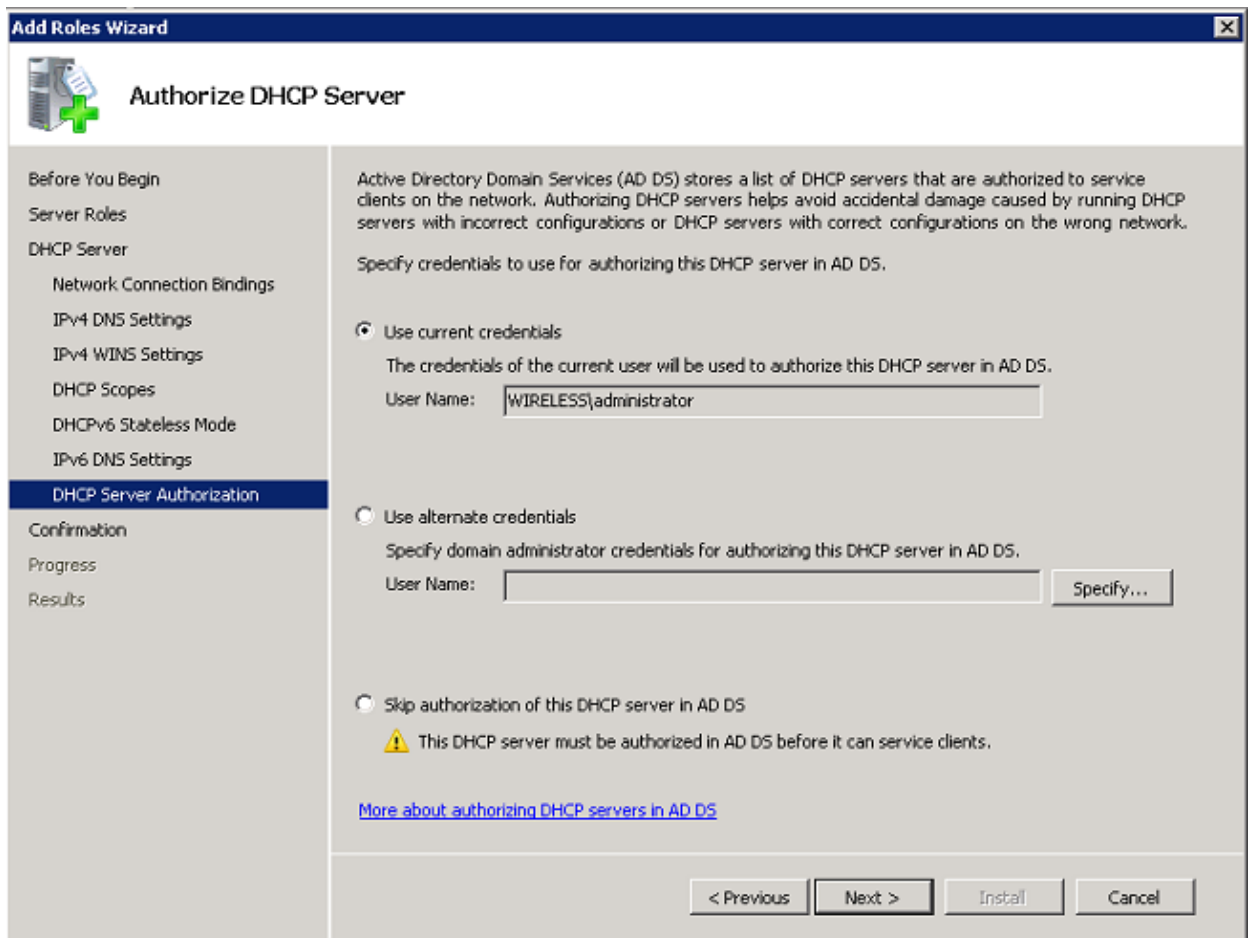
Preferred DNS Server IPv6 Address:

Alternate DNS Server IPv6 Address:

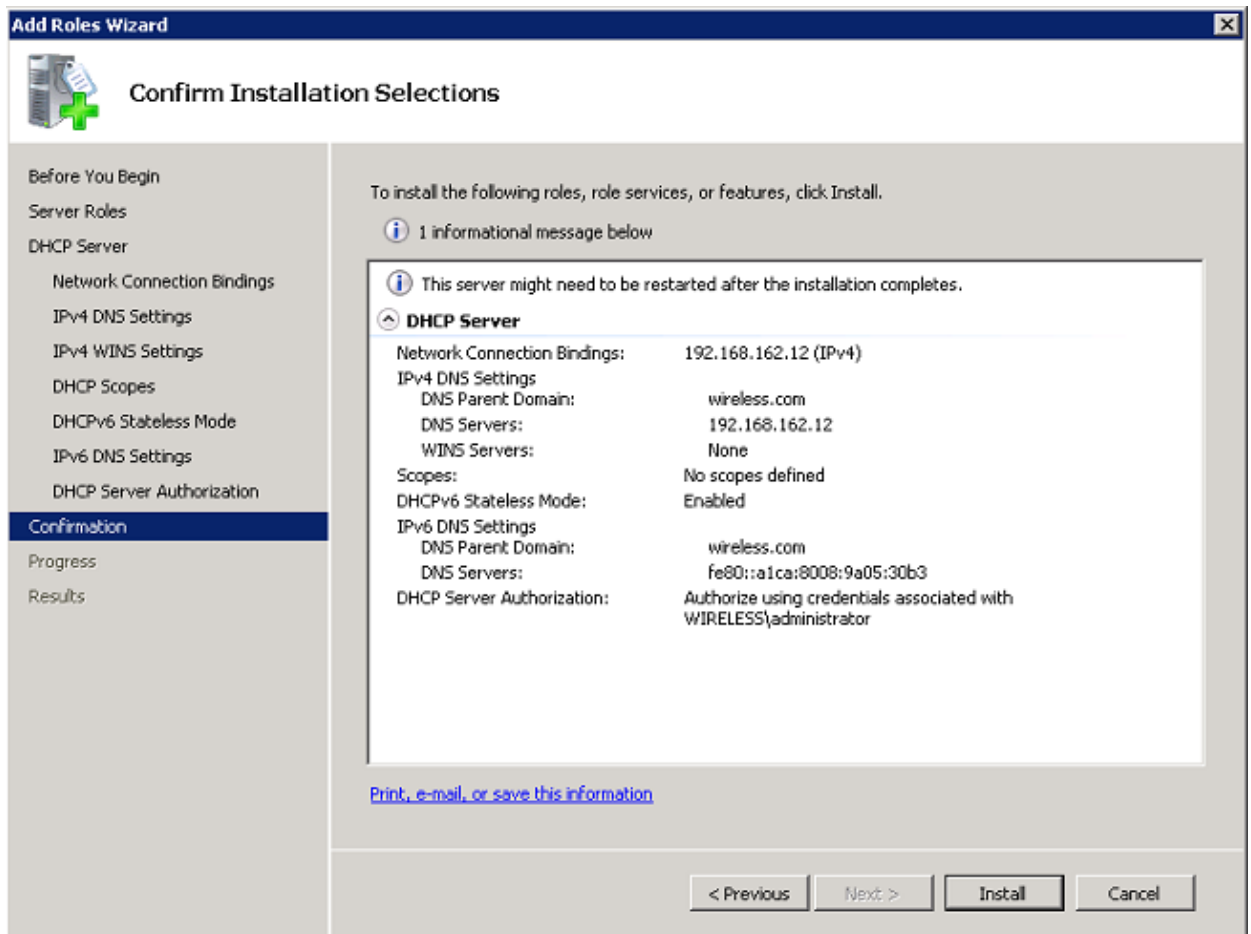
[More about DNS server settings](#)

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12. Provide domain administrator credentials to authorize the DHCP server in Active Directory, and click *Next*.

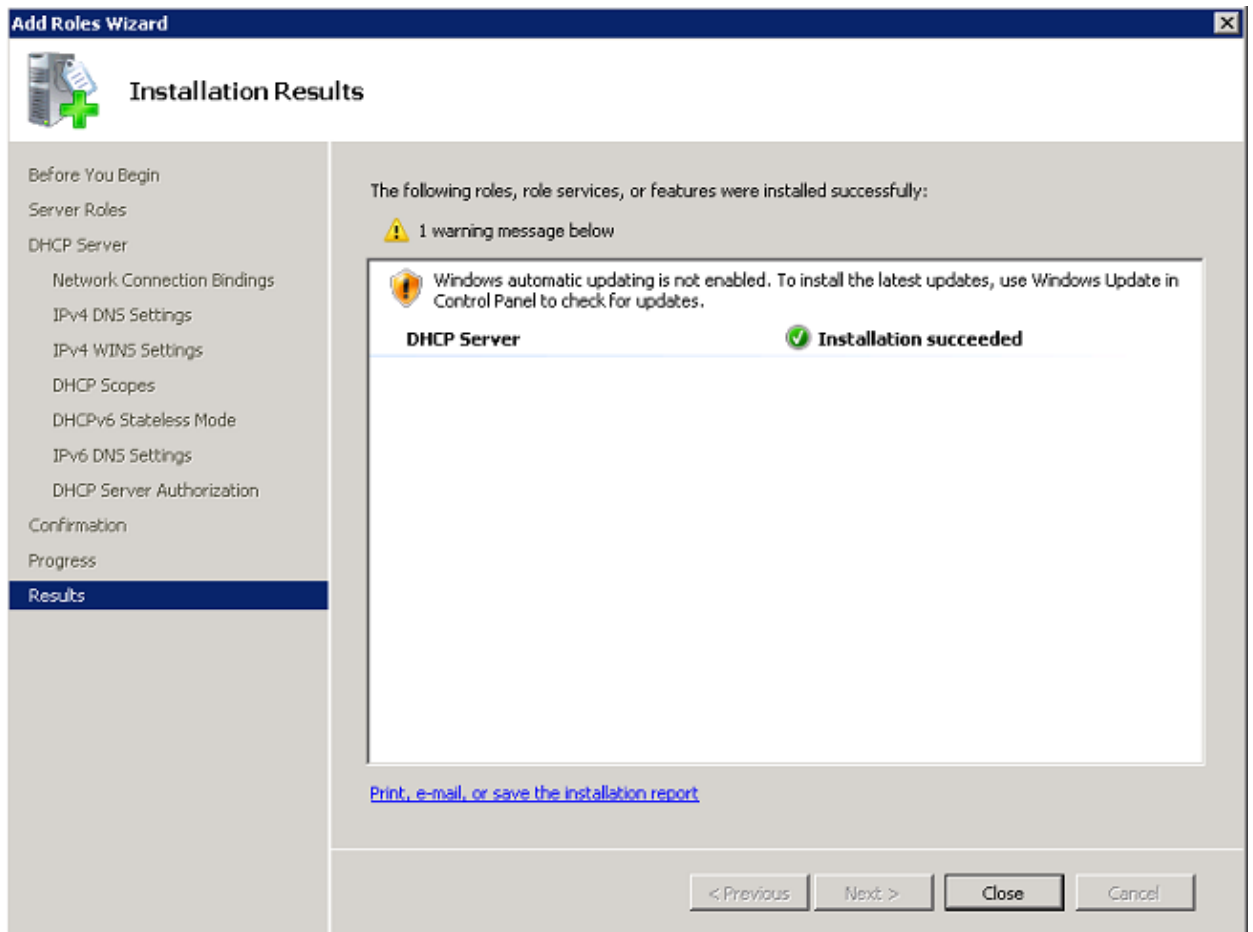


13. Review the configuration on the confirmation page, and click ***Install*** to complete the install.



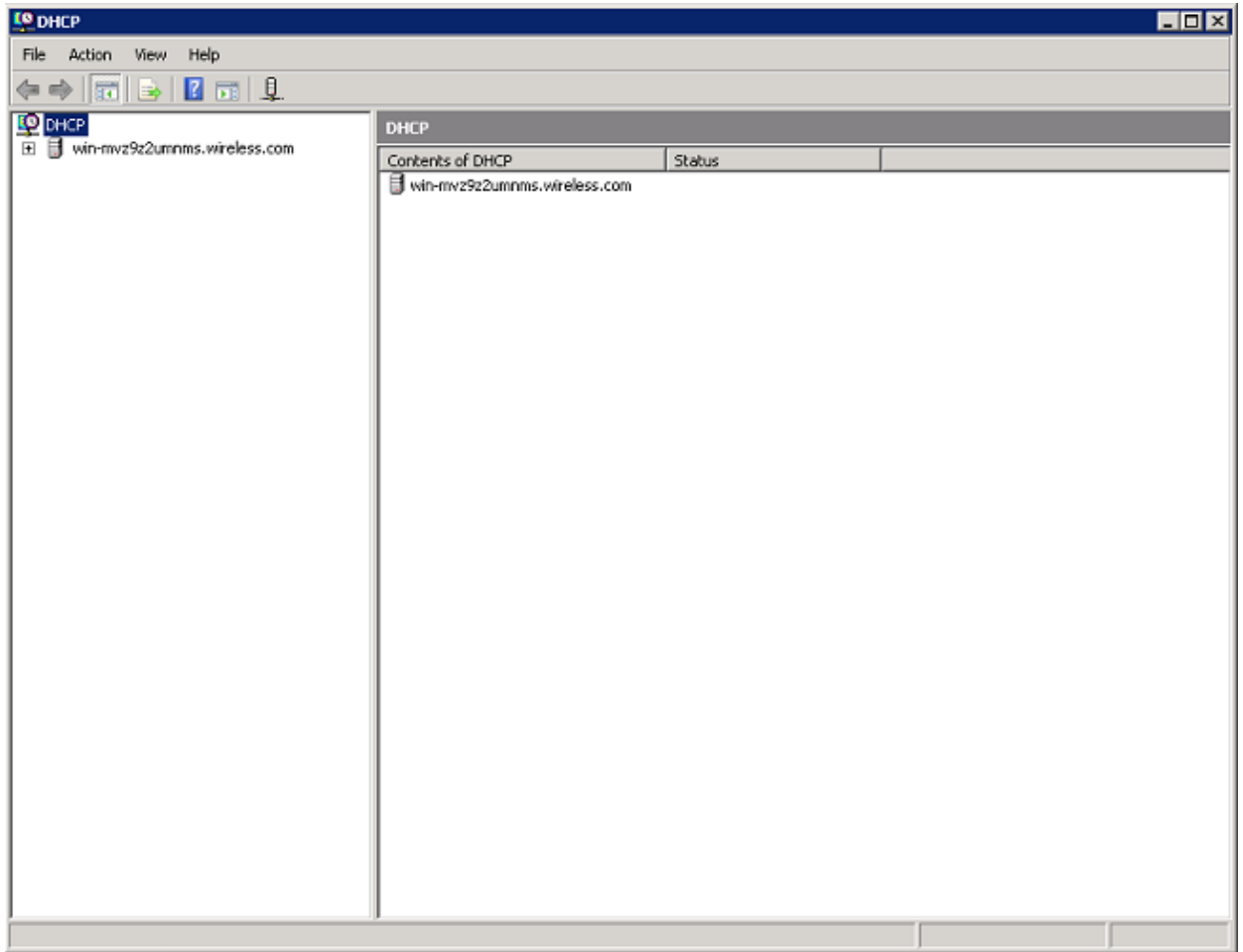
The installation proceeds.

14. Click **Close** to close the wizard.

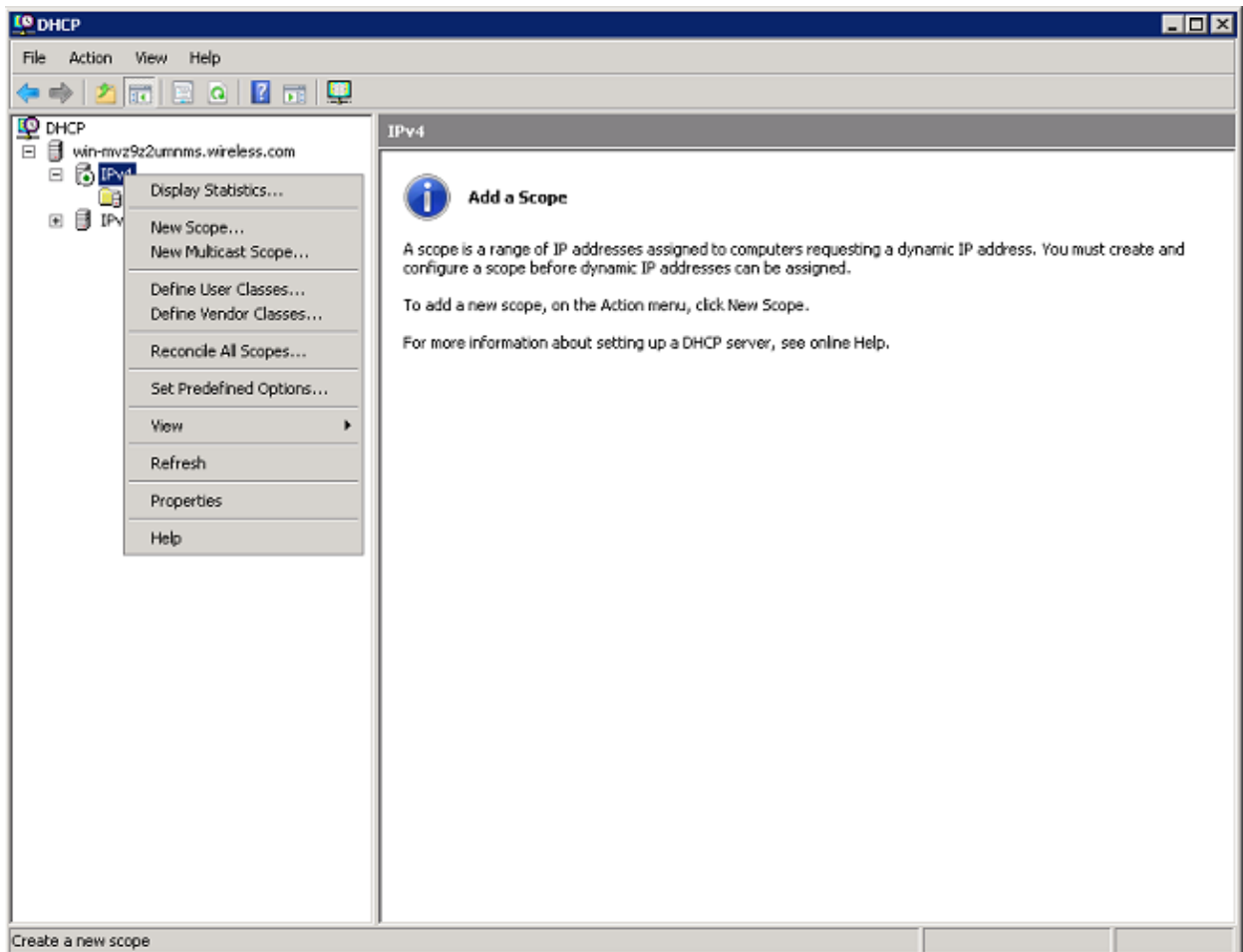


The DHCP Server is now installed.

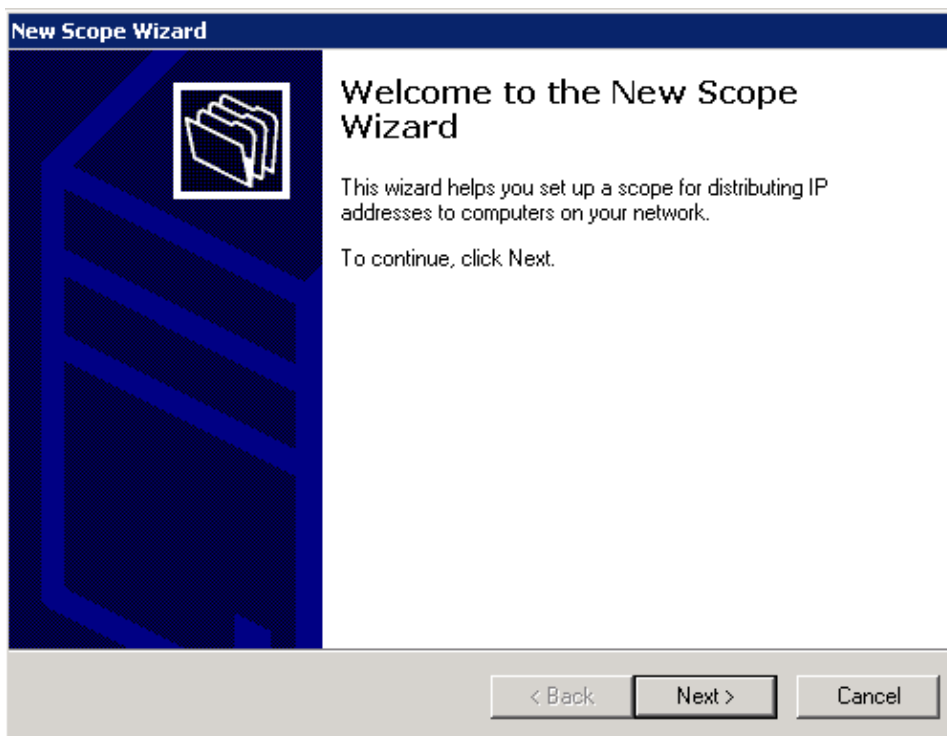
15. Click **Start > Administrative Tools > DHCP** to configure DHCP service.



16. Expand the DHCP server (win-mvz9z2umms.wireless.com in this example), right-click IPv4, and choose *New Scope*. to create a DHCP Scope.



17. Click *Next* to configure the new scope via the New Scope Wizard.



18. Provide a name for the new scope (Wireless Clients in this example), and click *Next*.

New Scope Wizard

Scope Name
You have to provide an identifying scope name. You also have the option of providing a description.

Type a name and description for this scope. This information helps you quickly identify how the scope is to be used on your network.

Name:

Description:

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19. Enter the range of available IP addresses that can be used for DHCP leases. Click *Next* to continue.

New Scope Wizard

IP Address Range
You define the scope address range by identifying a set of consecutive IP addresses.

Enter the range of addresses that the scope distributes.

Start IP address:

End IP address:

A subnet mask defines how many bits of an IP address to use for the network/subnet IDs and how many bits to use for the host ID. You can specify the subnet mask by length or as an IP address.

Length:

Subnet mask:

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20. Create an optional list of excluded addresses. Click *Next* to continue.

New Scope Wizard

Add Exclusions

Exclusions are addresses or a range of addresses that are not distributed by the server.

Type the IP address range that you want to exclude. If you want to exclude a single address, type an address in Start IP address only.

Start IP address: End IP address:

Excluded address range:

21. Configure the lease time, and click *Next*.

New Scope Wizard

Lease Duration

The lease duration specifies how long a client can use an IP address from this scope.

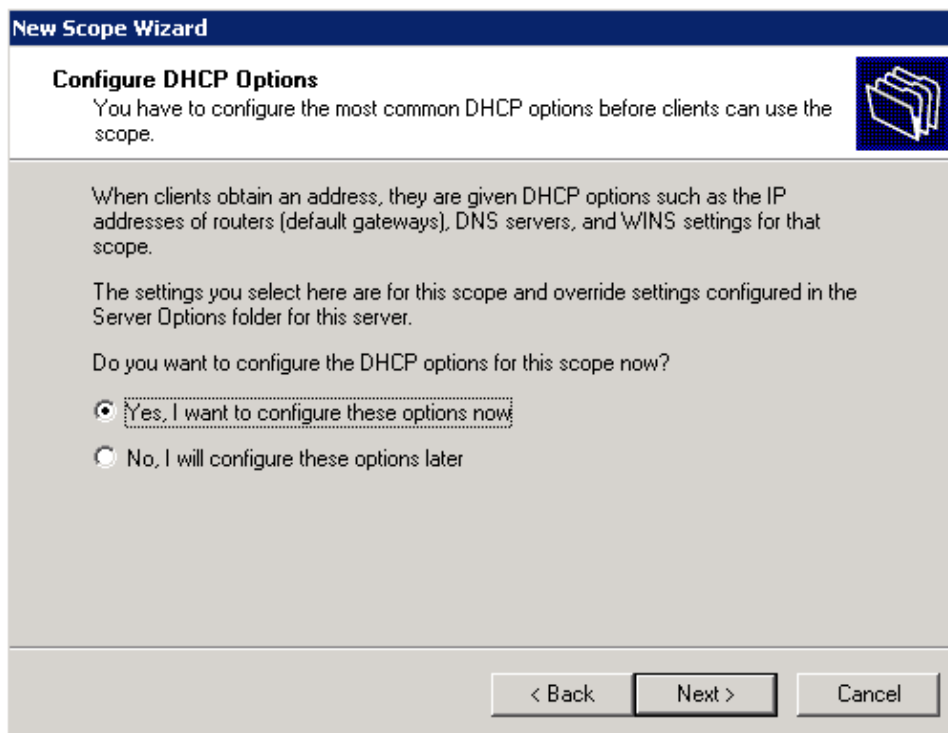
Lease durations should typically be equal to the average time the computer is connected to the same physical network. For mobile networks that consist mainly of portable computers or dial-up clients, shorter lease durations can be useful. Likewise, for a stable network that consists mainly of desktop computers at fixed locations, longer lease durations are more appropriate.

Set the duration for scope leases when distributed by this server.

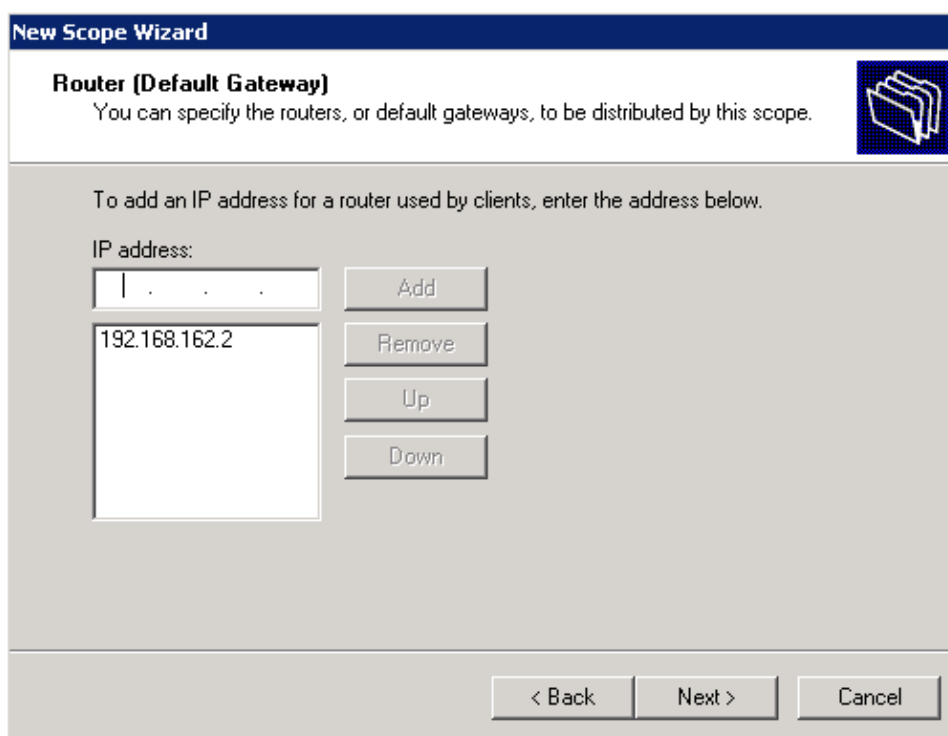
Limited to:

Days: Hours: Minutes:

22. Click *Yes, I want to configure these options now*, and click *Next*.



23. Enter the IP address of the default gateway for this scope, click *Add > Next*.



24. Configure the DNS domain name and DNS server to be used by the clients. Click *Next* to continue.

New Scope Wizard

Domain Name and DNS Servers
 The Domain Name System (DNS) maps and translates domain names used by clients on your network.

You can specify the parent domain you want the client computers on your network to use for DNS name resolution.

Parent domain:

To configure scope clients to use DNS servers on your network, enter the IP addresses for those servers.

Server name:	<input type="text"/>	IP address:	<input type="text" value=" . . ."/>	<input type="button" value="Add"/>
	<input type="button" value="Resolve"/>		<input type="text" value="192.168.162.12"/>	<input type="button" value="Remove"/>
				<input type="button" value="Up"/>
				<input type="button" value="Down"/>

< Back Next > Cancel

25. Enter WINS information for this scope if the network supports WINS. Click *Next* to continue.

New Scope Wizard

WINS Servers
 Computers running Windows can use WINS servers to convert NetBIOS computer names to IP addresses.

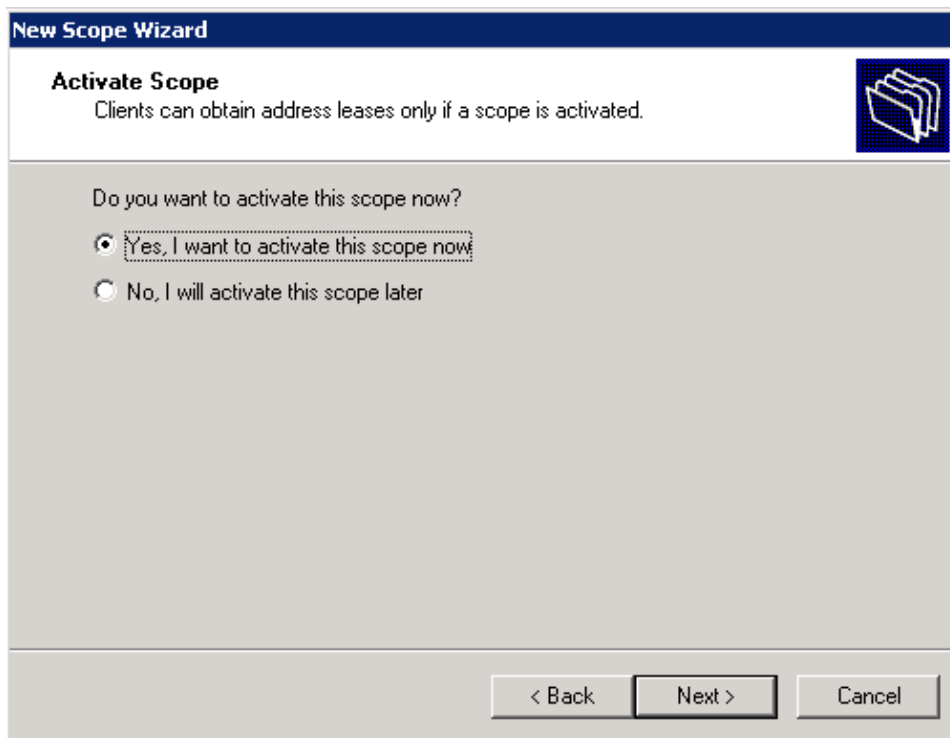
Entering server IP addresses here enables Windows clients to query WINS before they use broadcasts to register and resolve NetBIOS names.

Server name:	<input type="text"/>	IP address:	<input type="text" value=" . . ."/>	<input type="button" value="Add"/>
	<input type="button" value="Resolve"/>		<input type="text"/>	<input type="button" value="Remove"/>
				<input type="button" value="Up"/>
				<input type="button" value="Down"/>

To change this behavior for Windows DHCP clients modify option 046, WINS/NBT Node Type, in Scope Options.

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26. To activate this scope, click *Yes, I want to activate this scope now > Next*.



27. Click **Finish** to complete and close the wizard.

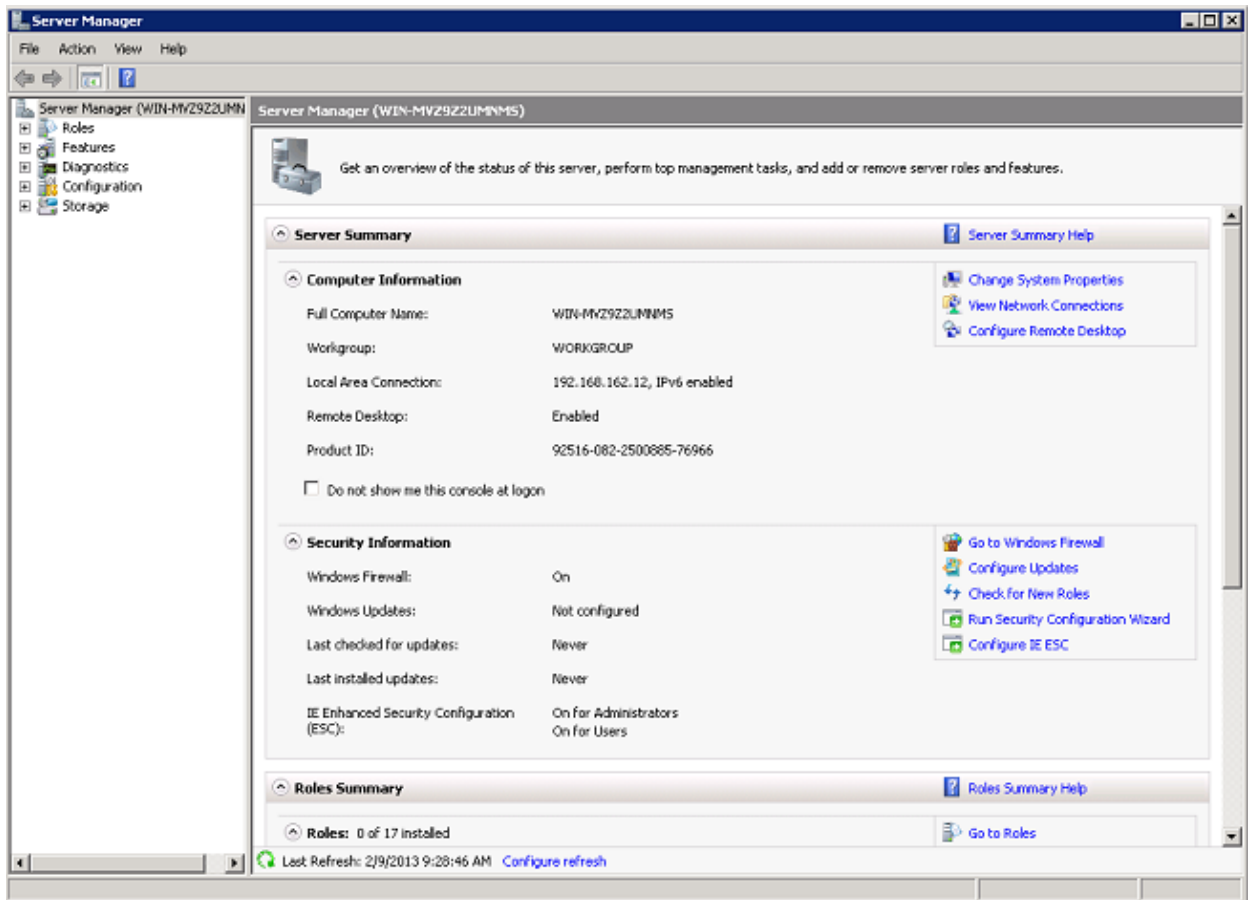


Install and Configure the Microsoft Windows 2008 Server as a CA Server

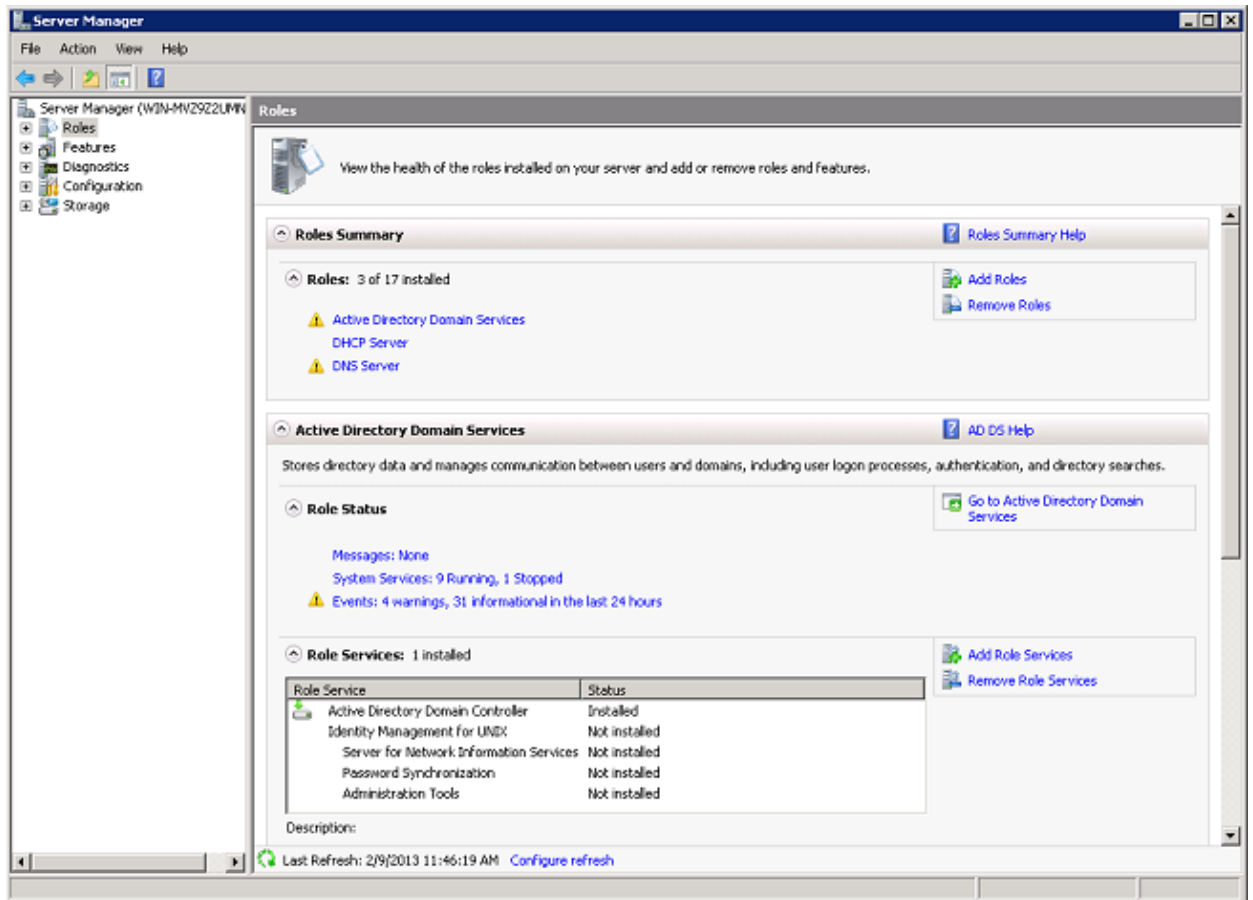
PEAP with EAP-MS-CHAP v2 validates the RADIUS server based on the certificate present on the server. Additionally, the server certificate must be issued by a public CA that is trusted by the client computer (that is, the public CA certificate already exists in the Trusted Root Certification Authority folder on the client computer certificate store).

Complete these steps in order to configure the Microsoft Windows 2008 server as a CA server that issues the certificate to the NPS:

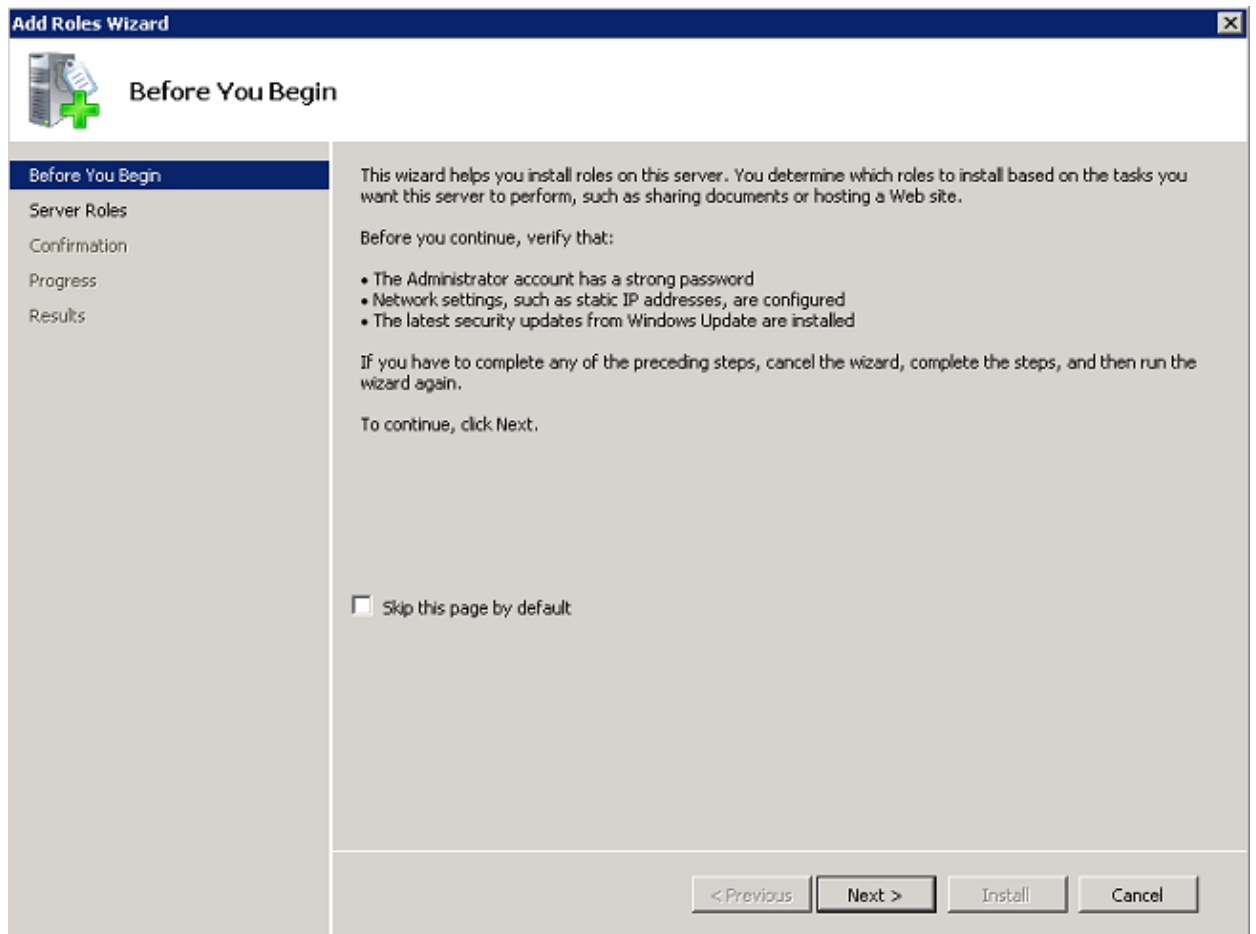
1. Click **Start > Server Manager**.



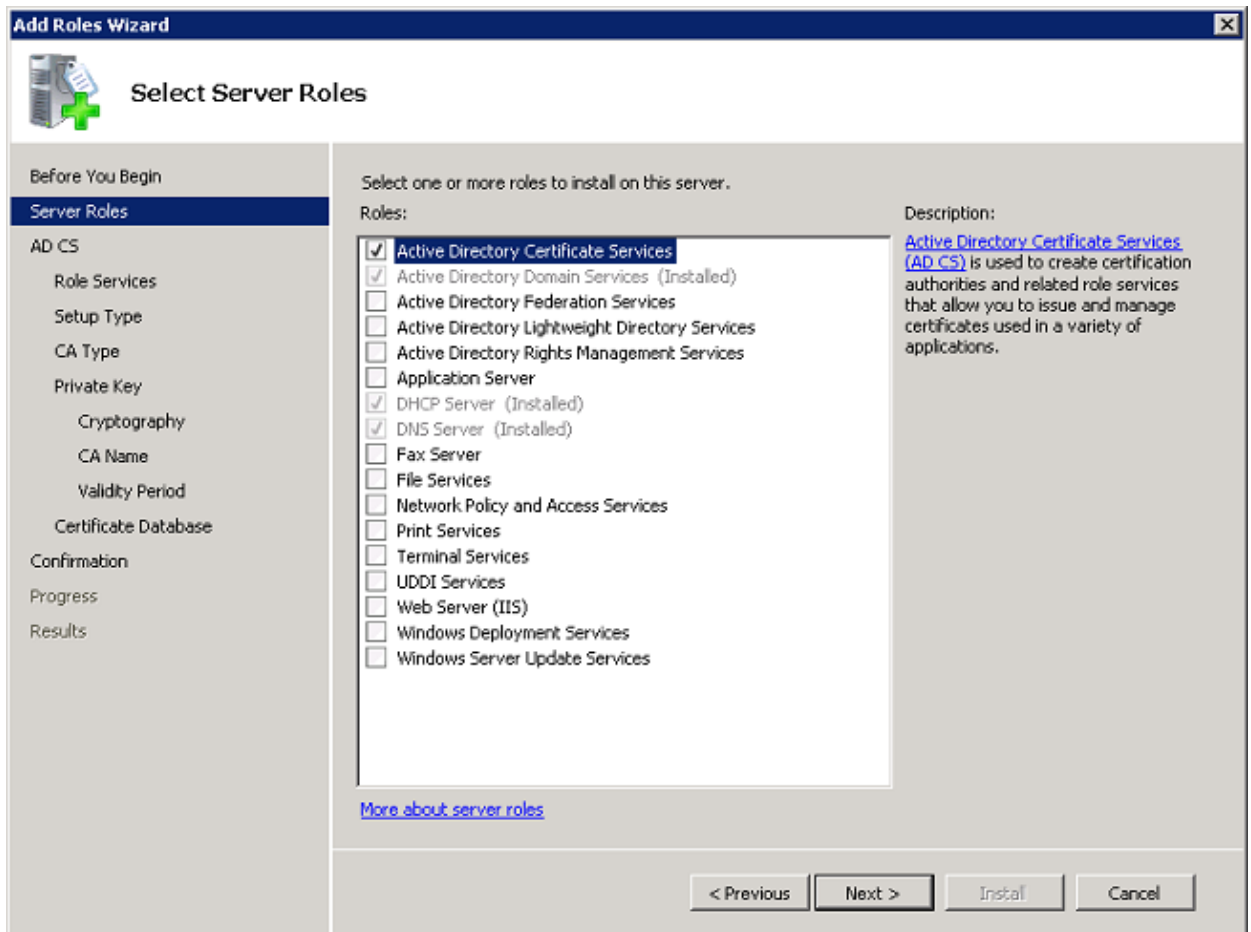
2. Click **Roles > Add Roles**.



3. Click *Next*.




4. Select the service *Active Directory Certificate Services*, and click *Next*.



5. Review the Introduction to Active Directory Certificate Services, and click *Next*.

Add Roles Wizard [X]

 **Introduction to Active Directory Certificate Services**

Before You Begin

Server Roles

AD CS

Role Services

Setup Type

CA Type

Private Key

 Cryptography

 CA Name

 Validity Period

 Certificate Database

Confirmation


Progress

Results

Active Directory Certificate Services (AD CS)

Active Directory Certificate Services (AD CS) provides the certificate infrastructure to enable scenarios such as secure wireless networks, virtual private networks, Internet Protocol Security (IPSec), Network Access Protection (NAP), encrypting file system (EFS) and smart card logon.

Things to Note

 The name and domain settings of this computer cannot be changed after a certificate authority (CA) has been installed. If you want to change the computer name, join a domain, or promote this server to a domain controller, complete these changes before installing the CA. For more information, see certification authority naming.

Additional Information

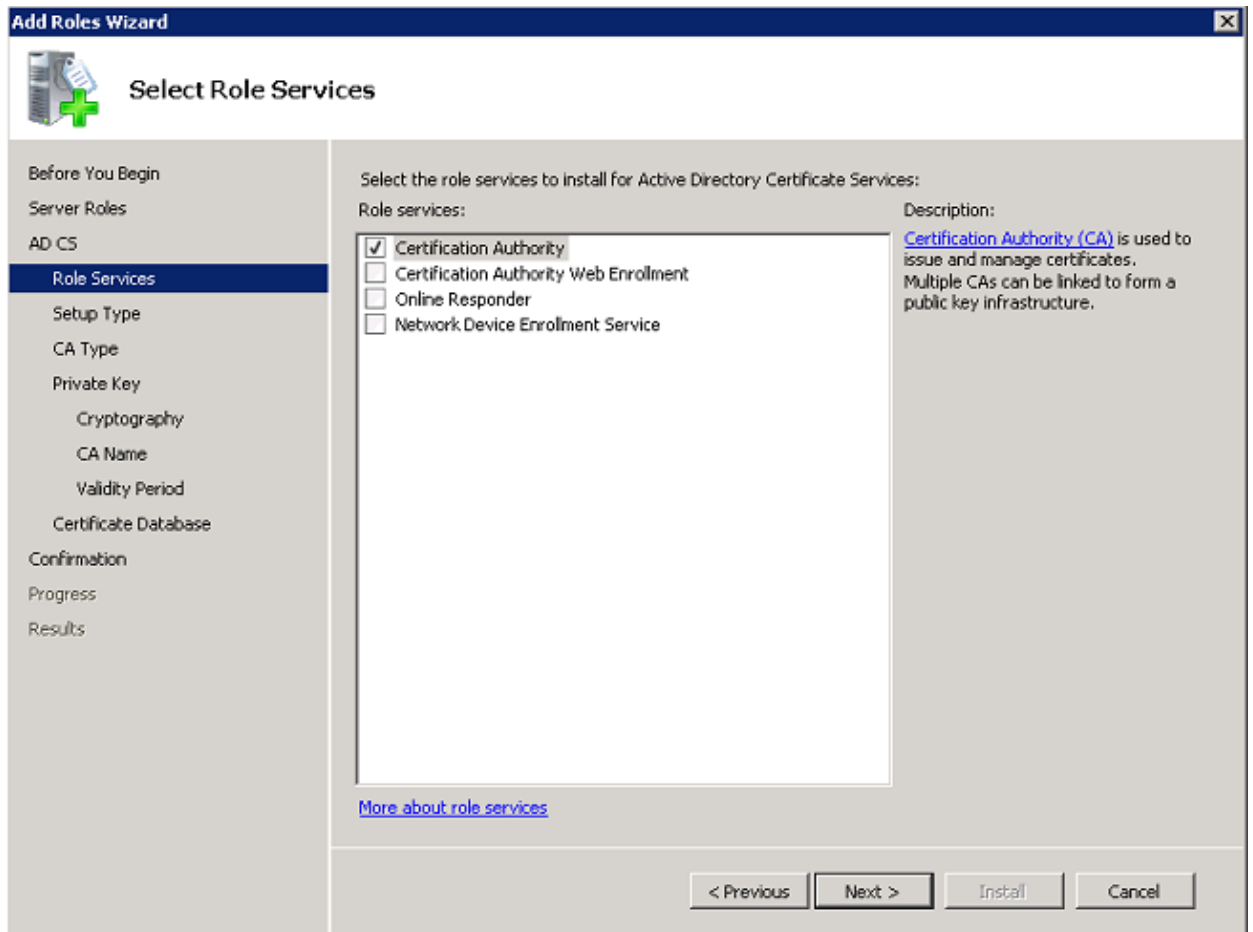
[Active Directory Certificate Services Overview](#)

[Managing a Certification Authority](#)

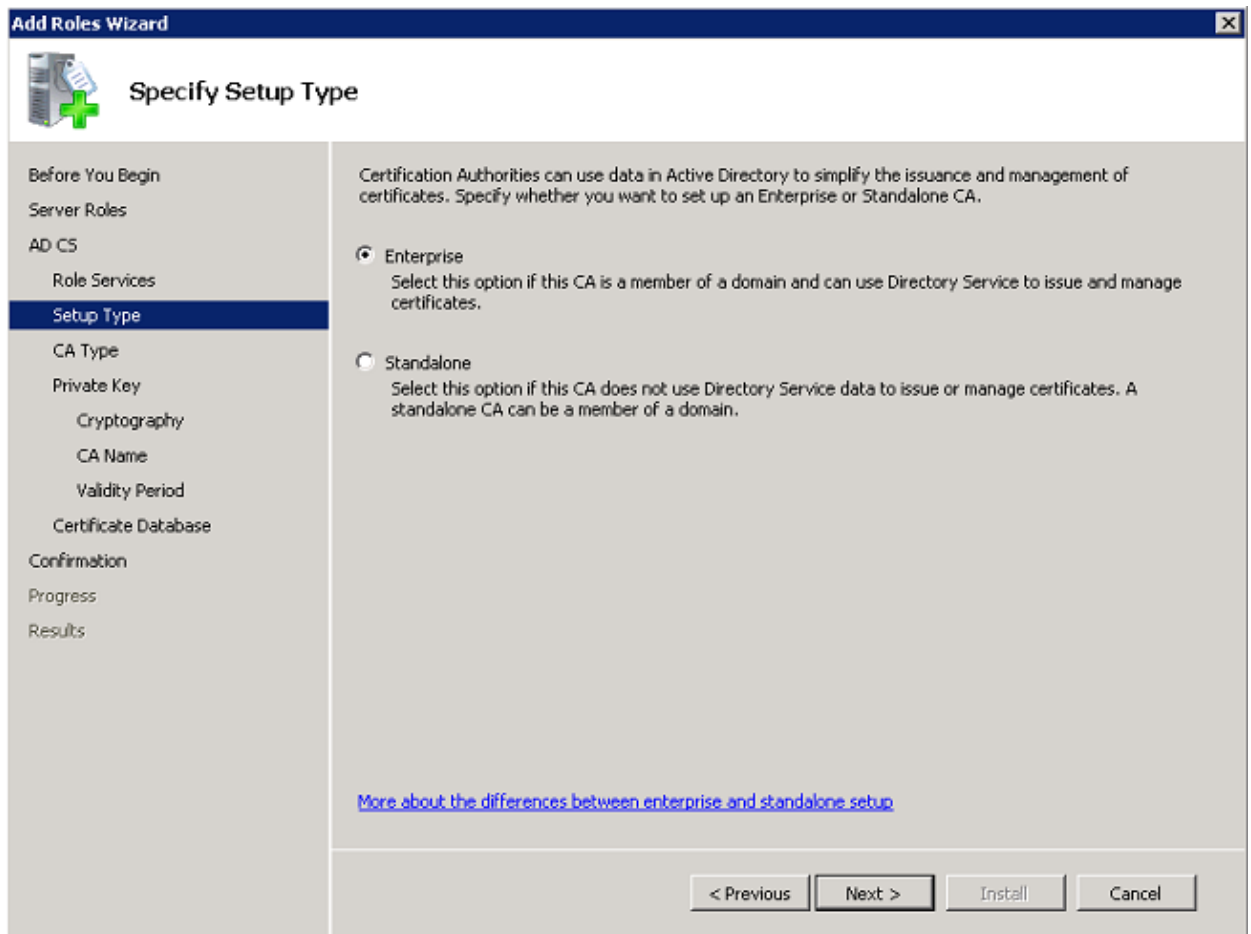
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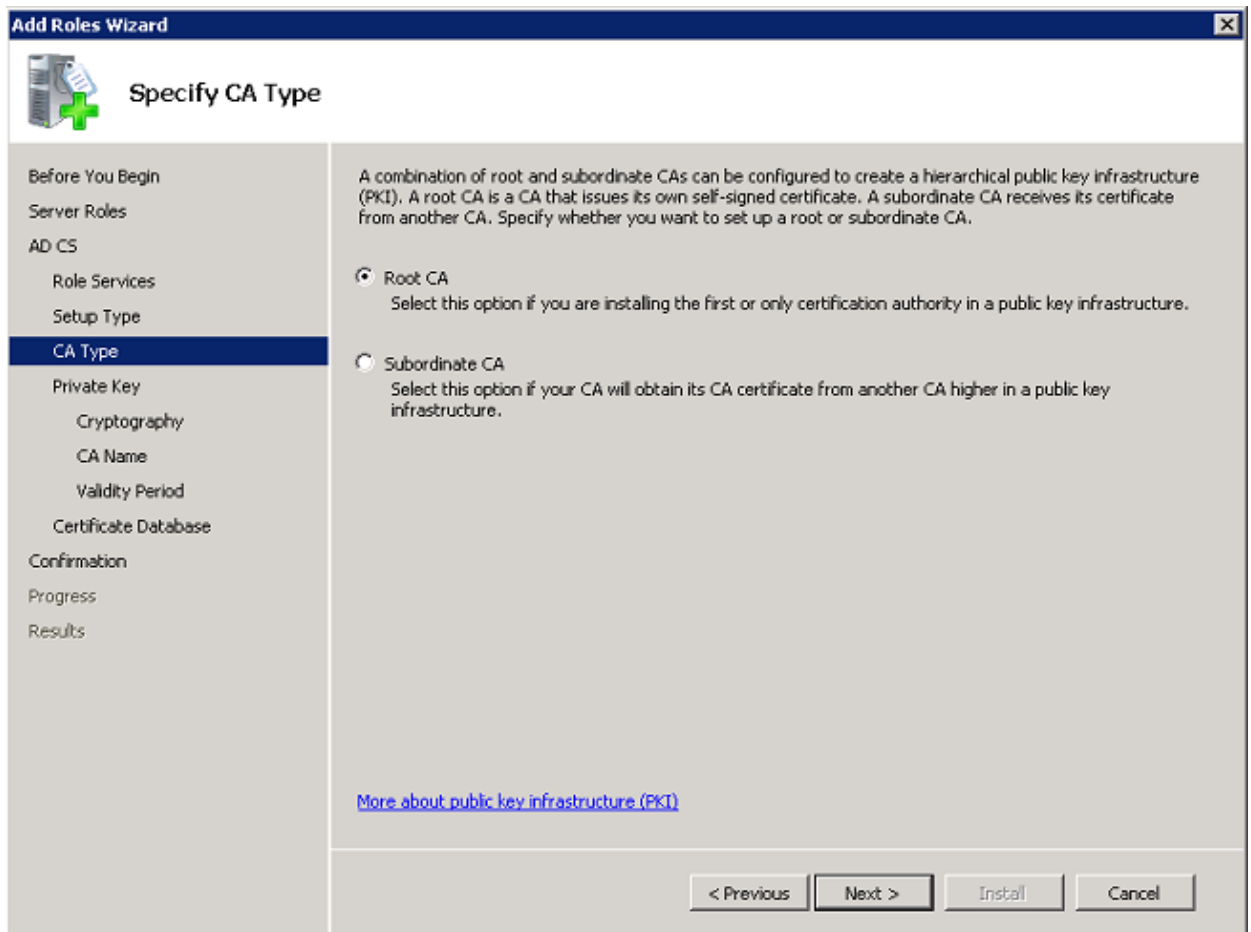
6. Select the *Certificate Authority*, and click *Next*.



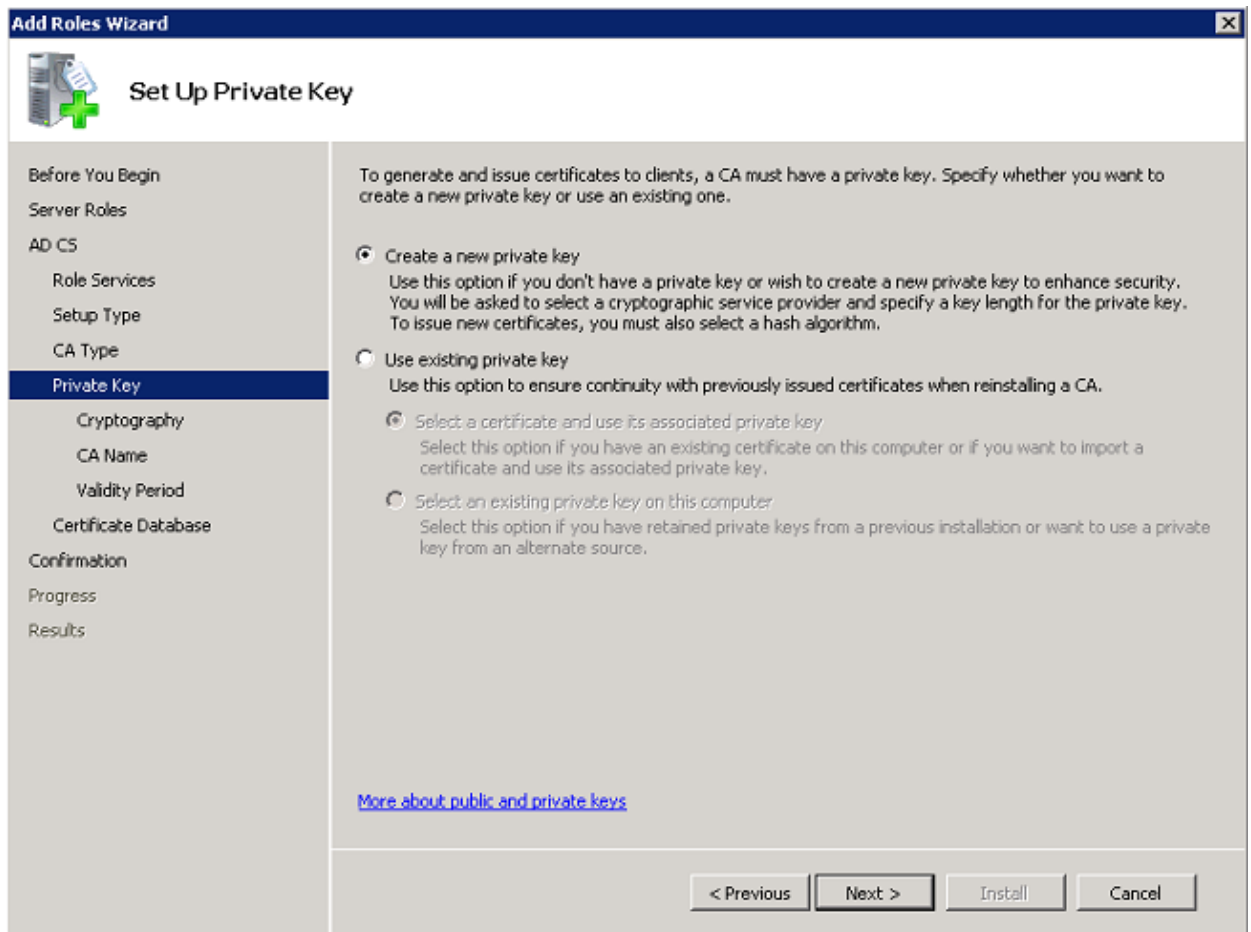
7. Select *Enterprise*, and click *Next*.



8. Select **Root CA**, and click **Next**.




9. Select *Create a new private key*, and click *Next*.



10. Click *Next* on Configuring Cryptography for CA.

Add Roles Wizard [X]

 **Configure Cryptography for CA**

Before You Begin
Server Roles
AD CS
 Role Services
 Setup Type
 CA Type
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 Validity Period
 Certificate Database
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To create a new private key, you must first select a [cryptographic service provider](#), [hash algorithm](#), and key length that are appropriate for the intended use of the certificates that you issue. Selecting a higher value for key length will result in stronger security, but increase the time needed to complete signing operations.

Select a cryptographic service provider (CSP):
RSA#Microsoft Software Key Storage Provider

Key character length:
2048

Select the hash algorithm for signing certificates issued by this CA:
sha1
md2
md4
...
←


Use strong private key protection features provided by the CSP (this may require administrator interaction every time the private key is accessed by the CA)

[More about cryptographic options for a CA](#)

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11. Click *Next* to accept the default Common name for this CA.

Add Roles Wizard [X]

 **Configure CA Name**

Before You Begin
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 CA Name
 Validity Period
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Results

Type in a common name to identify this CA. This name is added to all certificates issued by the CA. Distinguished name suffix values are automatically generated but can be modified.

Common name for this CA:
wireless-WIN-MVZ9Z2UMNM5-CA

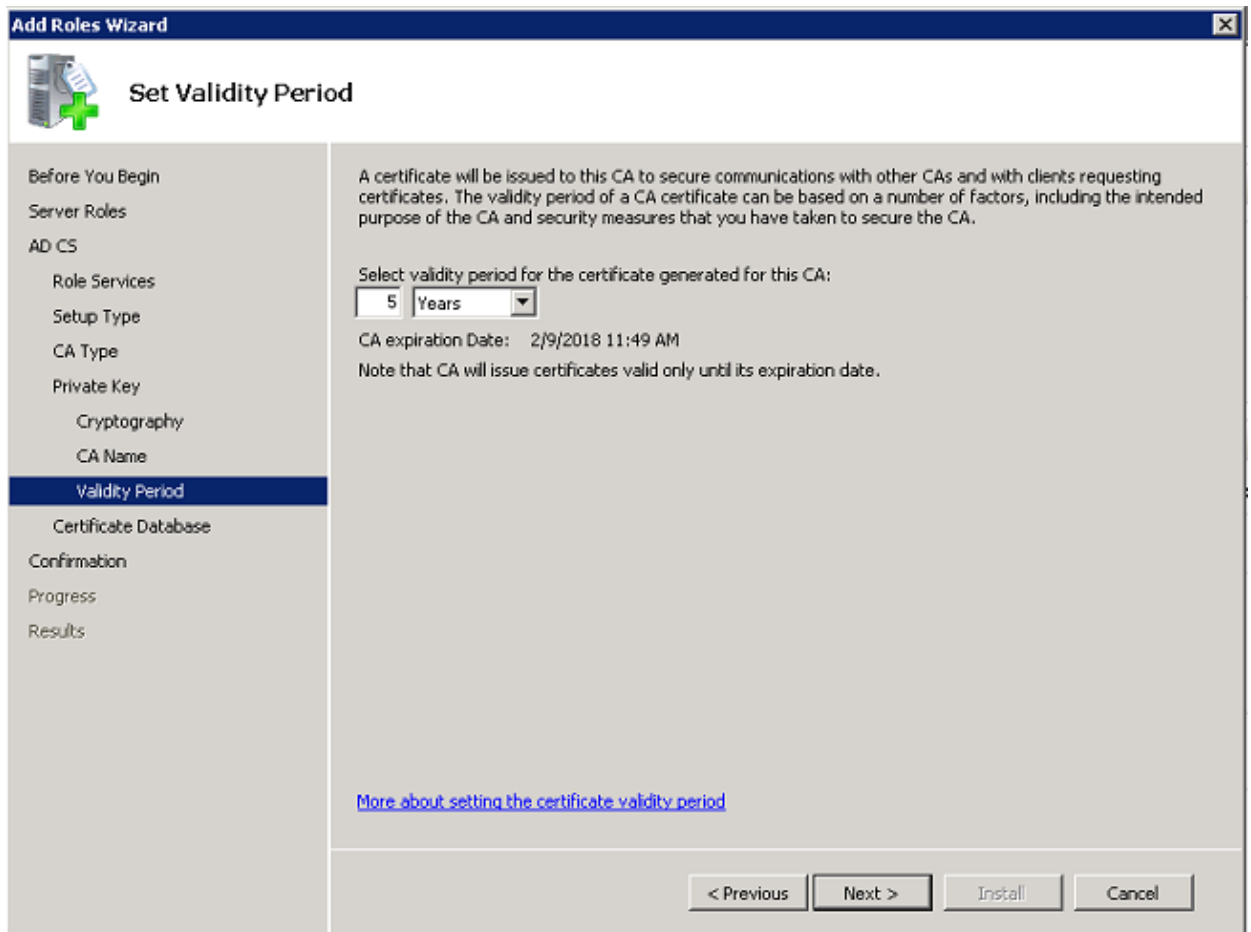
Distinguished name suffix:
DC=wireless,DC=com

Preview of distinguished name:
CN=wireless-WIN-MVZ9Z2UMNM5-CA,DC=wireless,DC=com

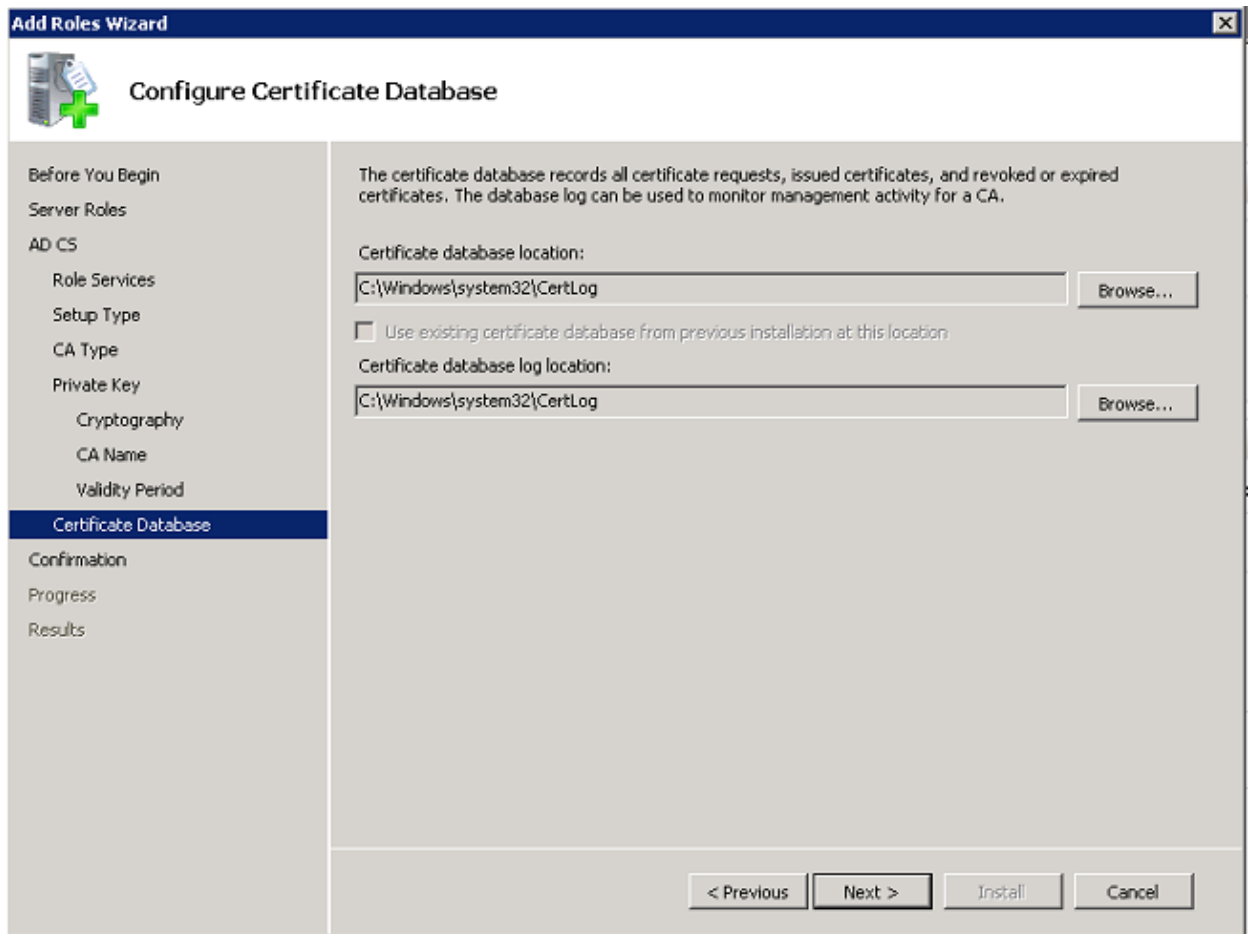
[More about configuring a CA name](#)

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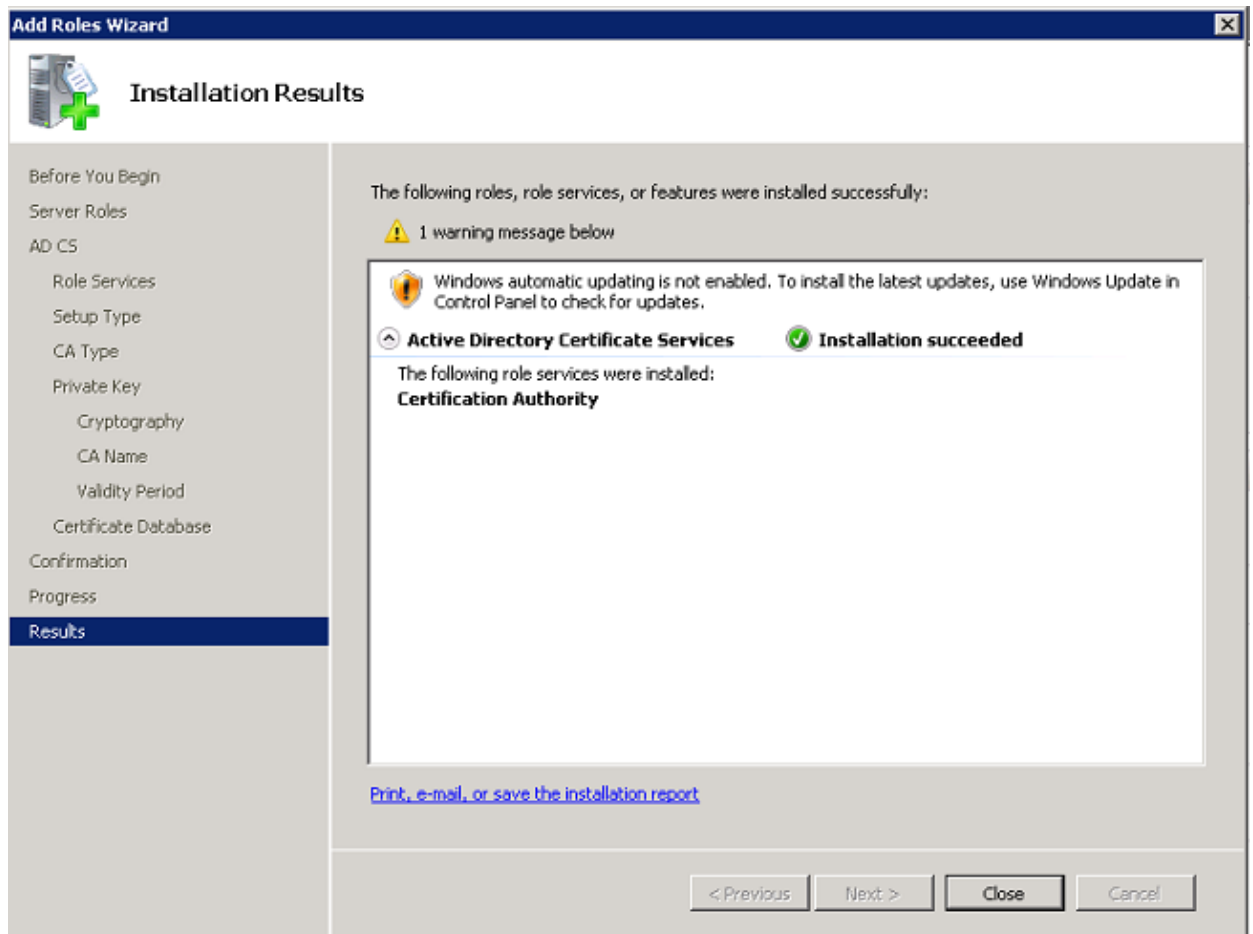
12. Select the length of time this CA certificate is valid, and click *Next*.



13. Click *Next* to accept the default Certificate database location.



14. Review the configuration, and click **Install** to start the Active Directory Certificate Services.

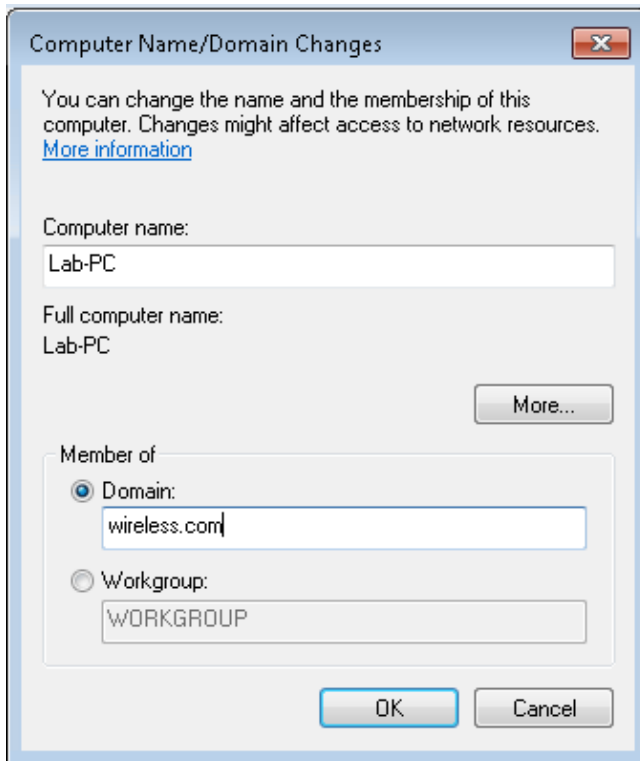


15. After the install is completed, click **Close**.

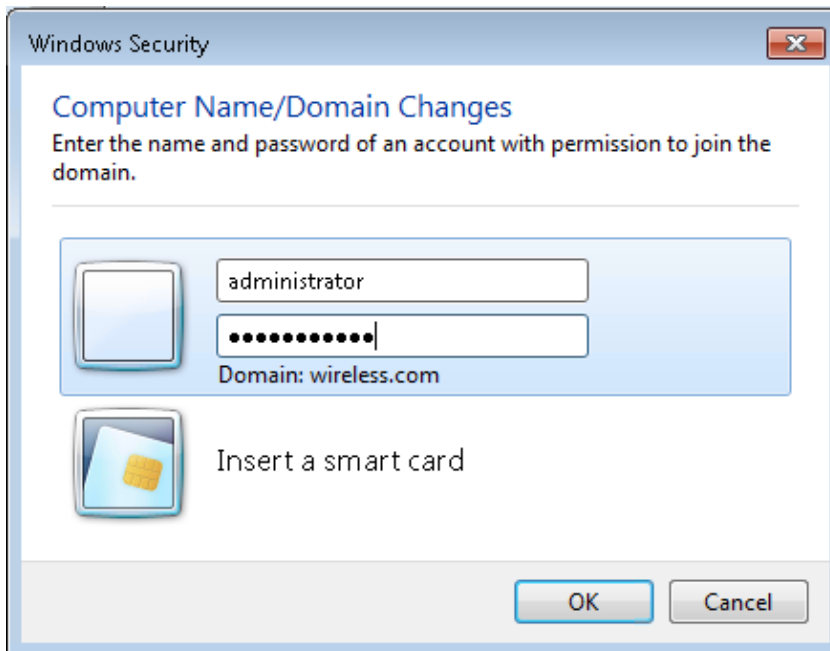
Connect Clients to the Domain

Complete these steps in order to connect the clients to the wired network and to download the domain specific information from the new domain:

1. Connect the clients to the wired network with a straight through Ethernet cable.
2. Boot up the client, and log in with the client username and password.
3. Click **Start > Run**, enter **cmd**, and click **OK**.
4. At the command prompt, enter **ipconfig**, and click **Enter** to verify that DHCP works correctly and that the client received an IP address from the DHCP server.
5. In order to join the client to the domain, click **Start**, right-click **Computer**, choose **Properties**, and choose **Change Settings** at the bottom right.
6. Click **Change**.
7. Click **Domain**, enter **wireless.com**, and click **OK**.



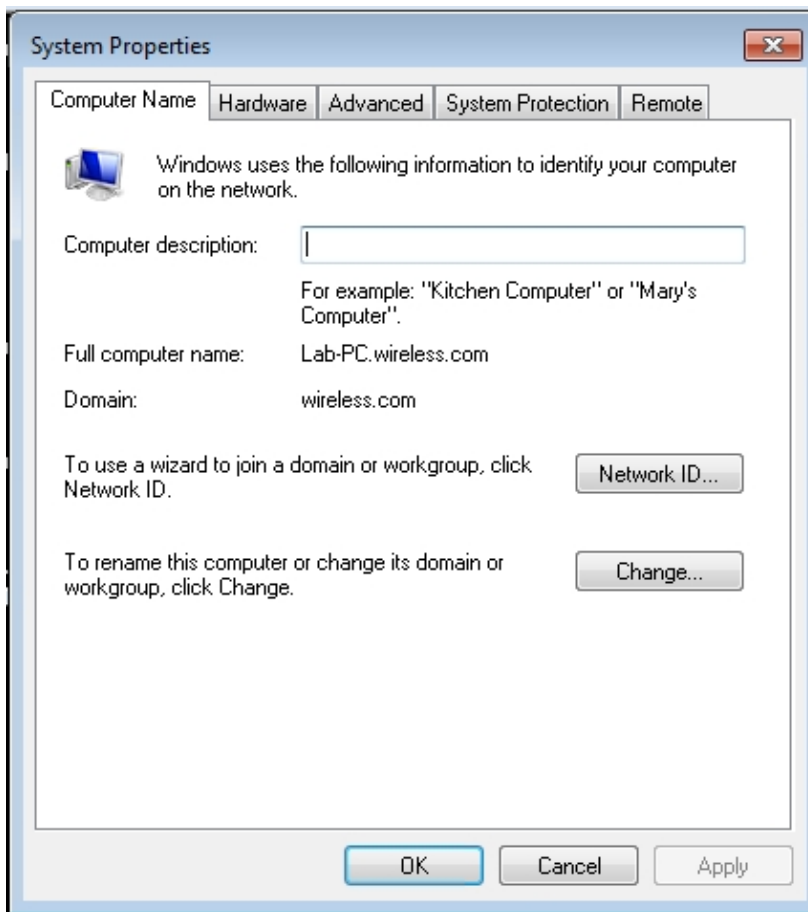
8. Enter username *administrator* and the password specific to the domain to which the client joins. This is the administrator account in the Active Directory on the server.



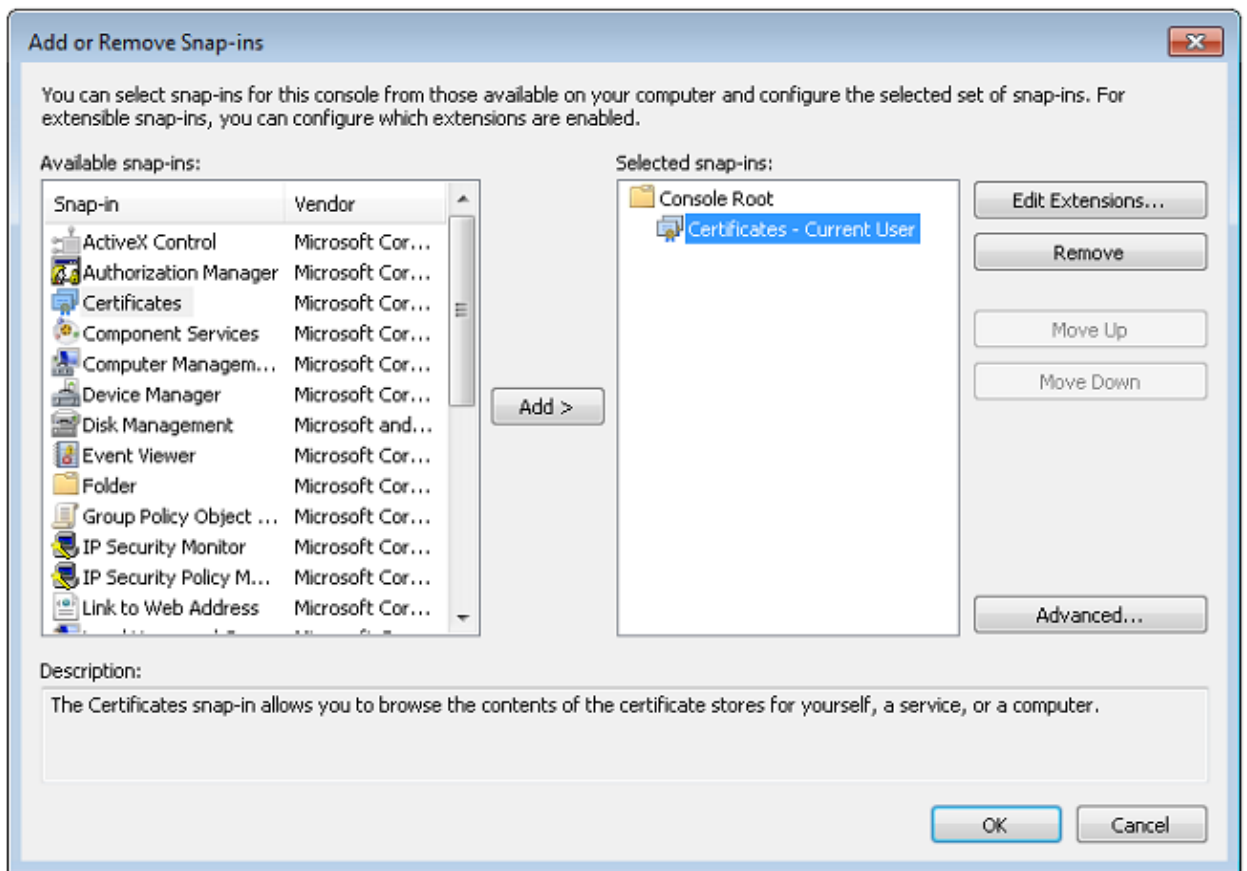
9. Click **OK**, and click **OK** again.



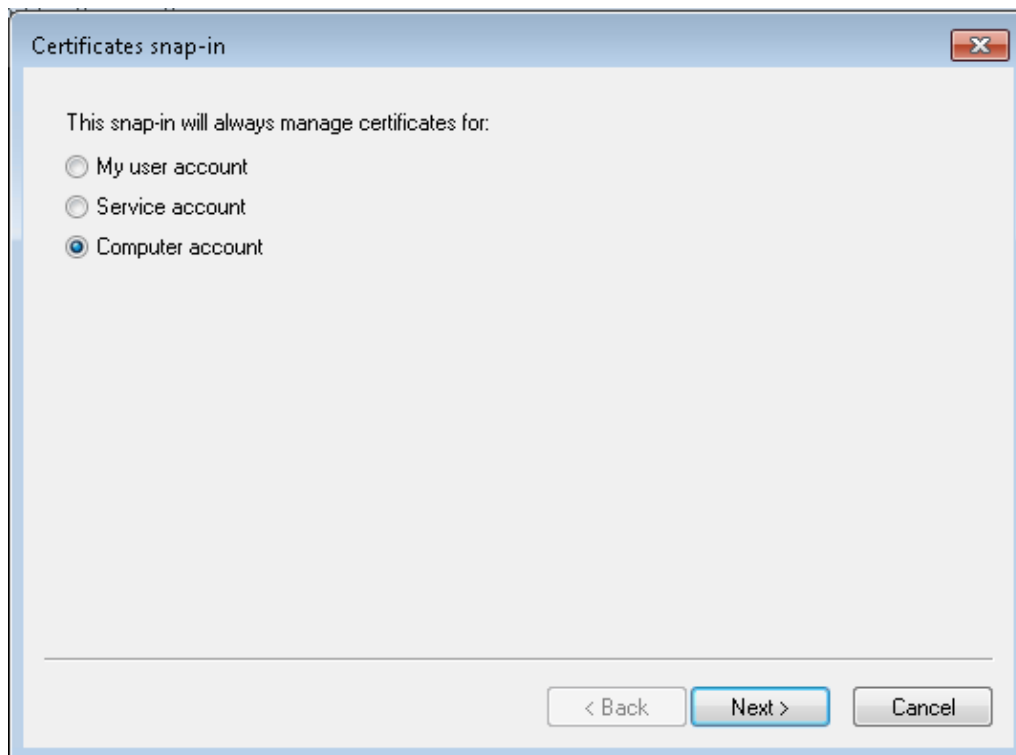
10. Click **Close** > **Restart Now** to restart the computer.
11. Once the computer restarts, log in with this information: Username = Administrator; Password = <domain password>; Domain = wireless.
12. Click **Start**, right-click **Computer**, choose **Properties**, and choose **Change Settings** at the bottom right to verify that you are on the wireless.com domain.
13. The next step is to verify that the client received the CA certificate (trust) from the server.



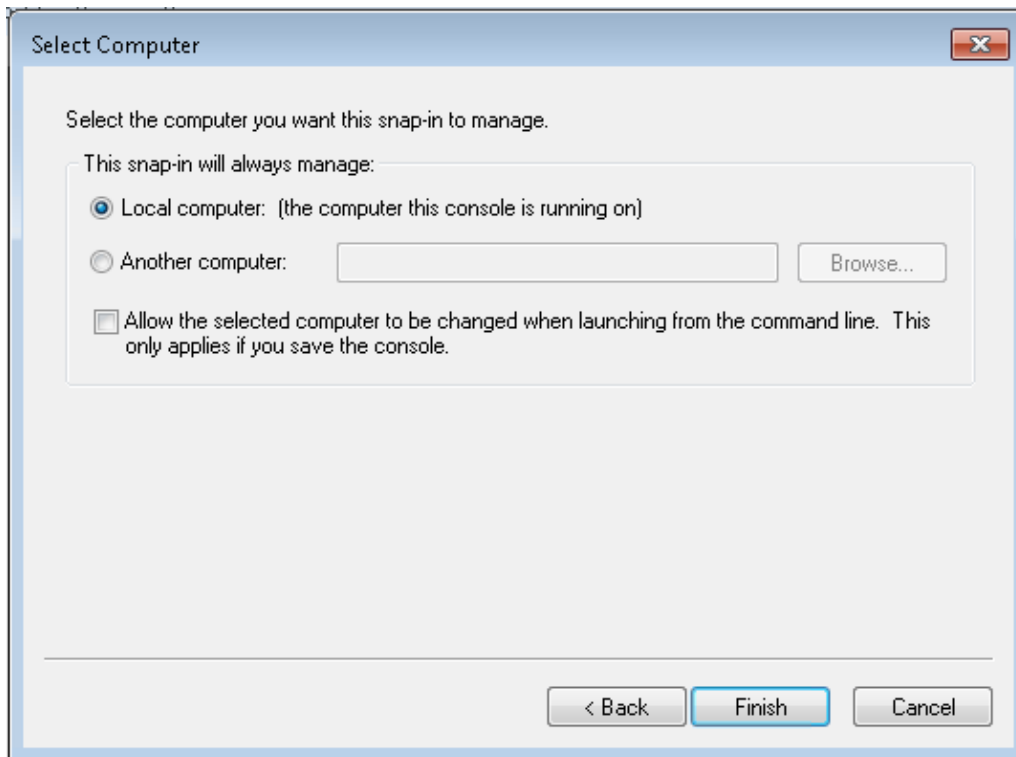
14. Click **Start**, enter **mmc**, and press **Enter**.
15. Click **File**, and click **Add/Remove** snap-in.
16. Choose **Certificates**, and click **Add**.



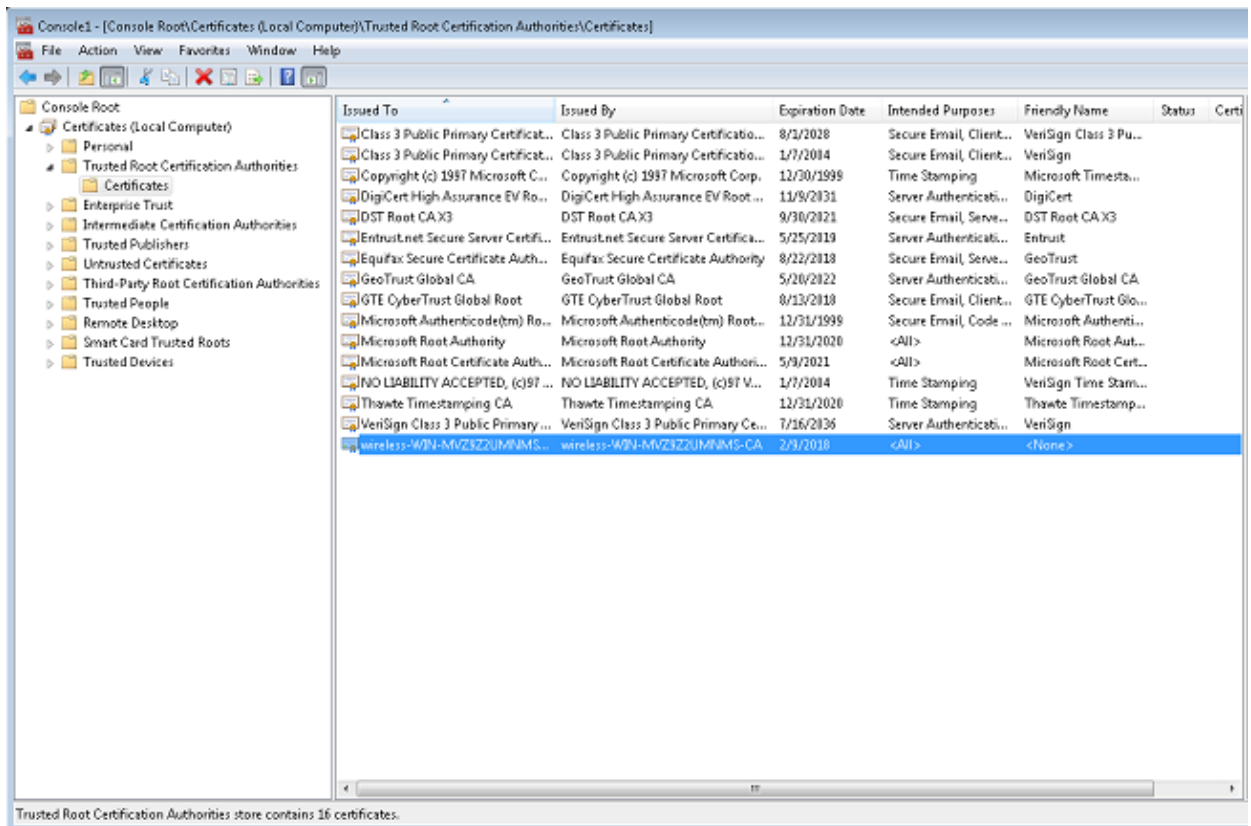
17. Click **Computer account**, and click **Next**.



18. Click **Local computer**, and click **Next**.



19. Click **OK**.
20. Expand the **Certificates (Local Computer)** and **Trusted Root Certification Authorities** folders, and click **Certificates**. Find **wireless domain CA cert** in the list. In this example, the CA cert is called wireless-WIN-MVZ9Z2UMNMS-CA.

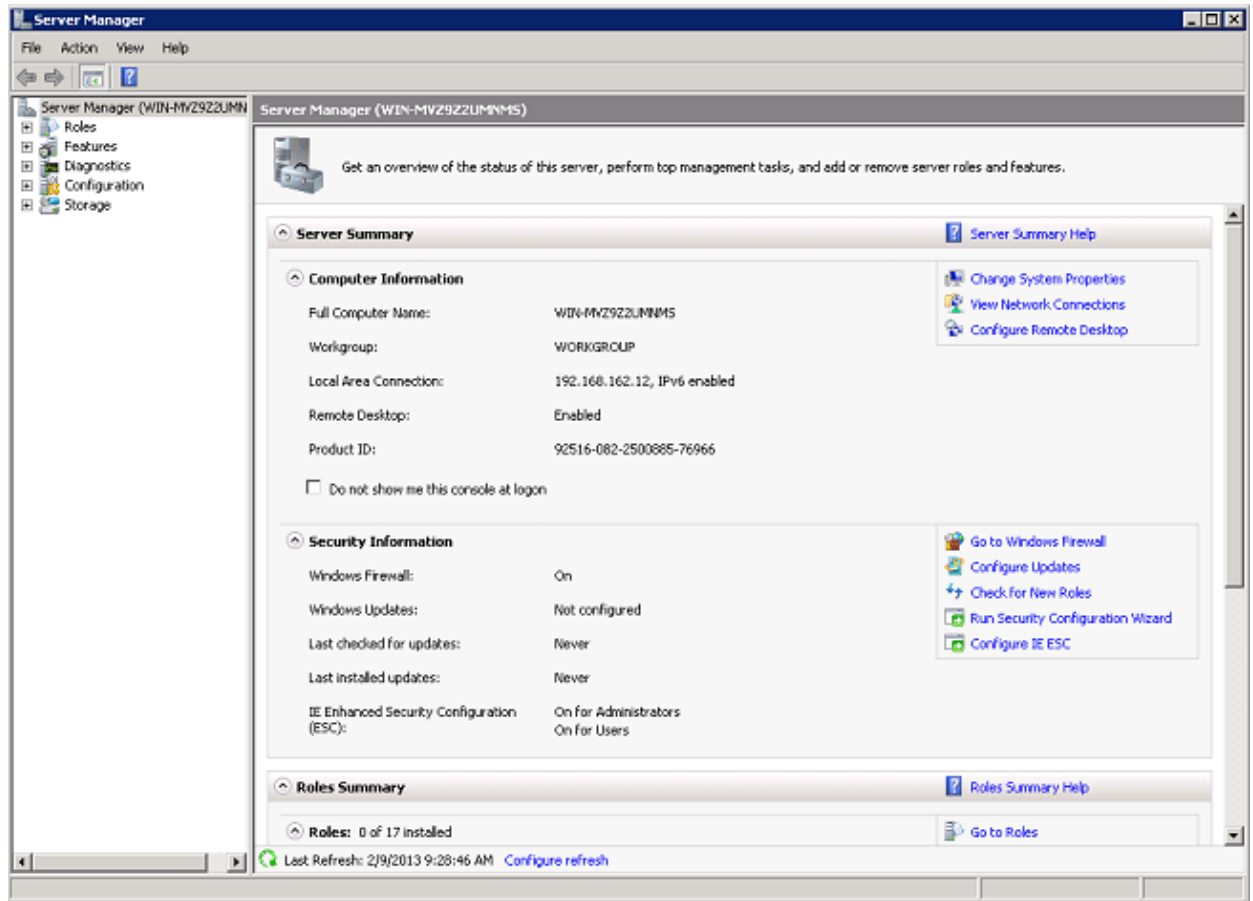


21. Repeat this procedure to add more clients to the domain.

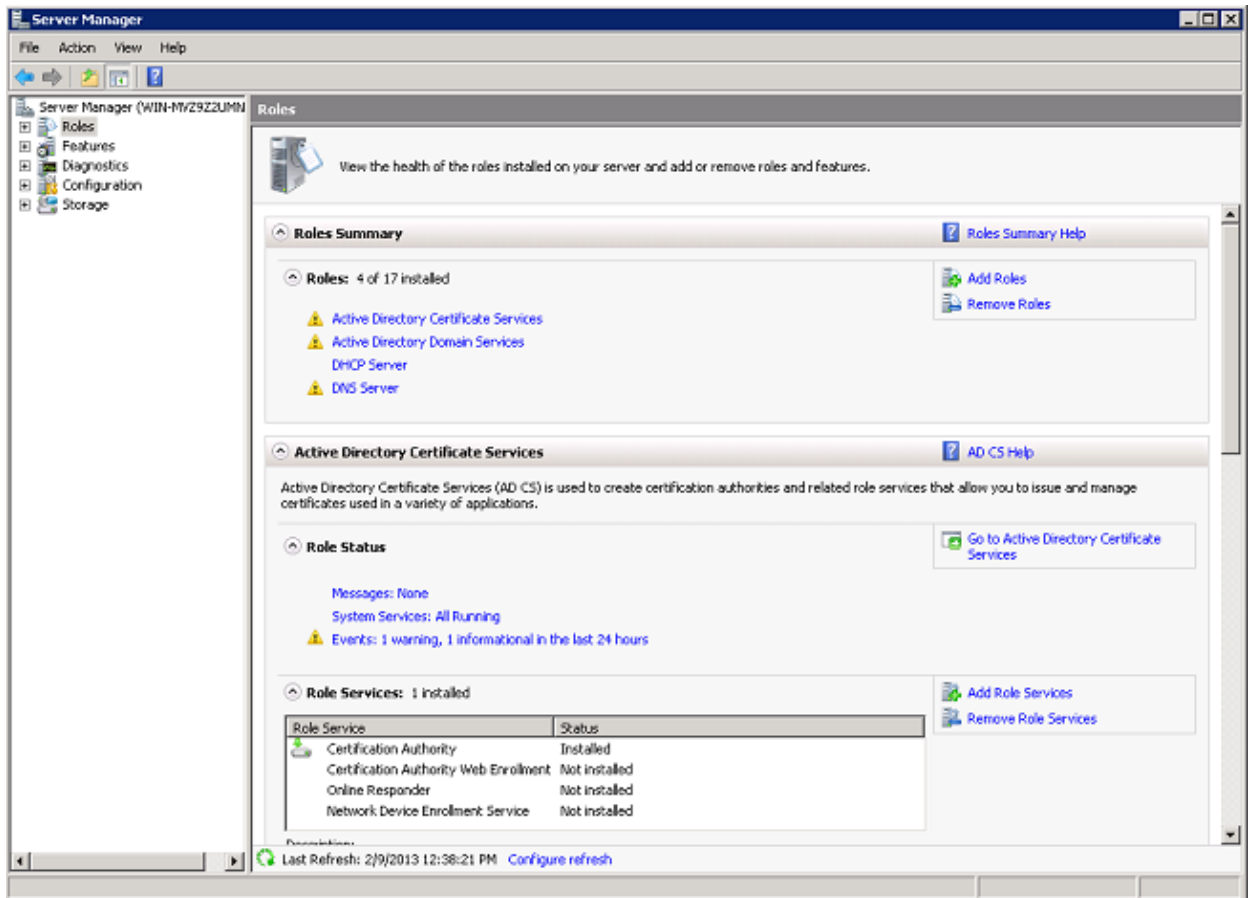
Install the Network Policy Server on the Microsoft Windows 2008 Server

In this setup, the NPS is used as a RADIUS server to authenticate wireless clients with PEAP authentication. Complete these steps in order to install and configure NPS on the Microsoft Windows 2008 server:

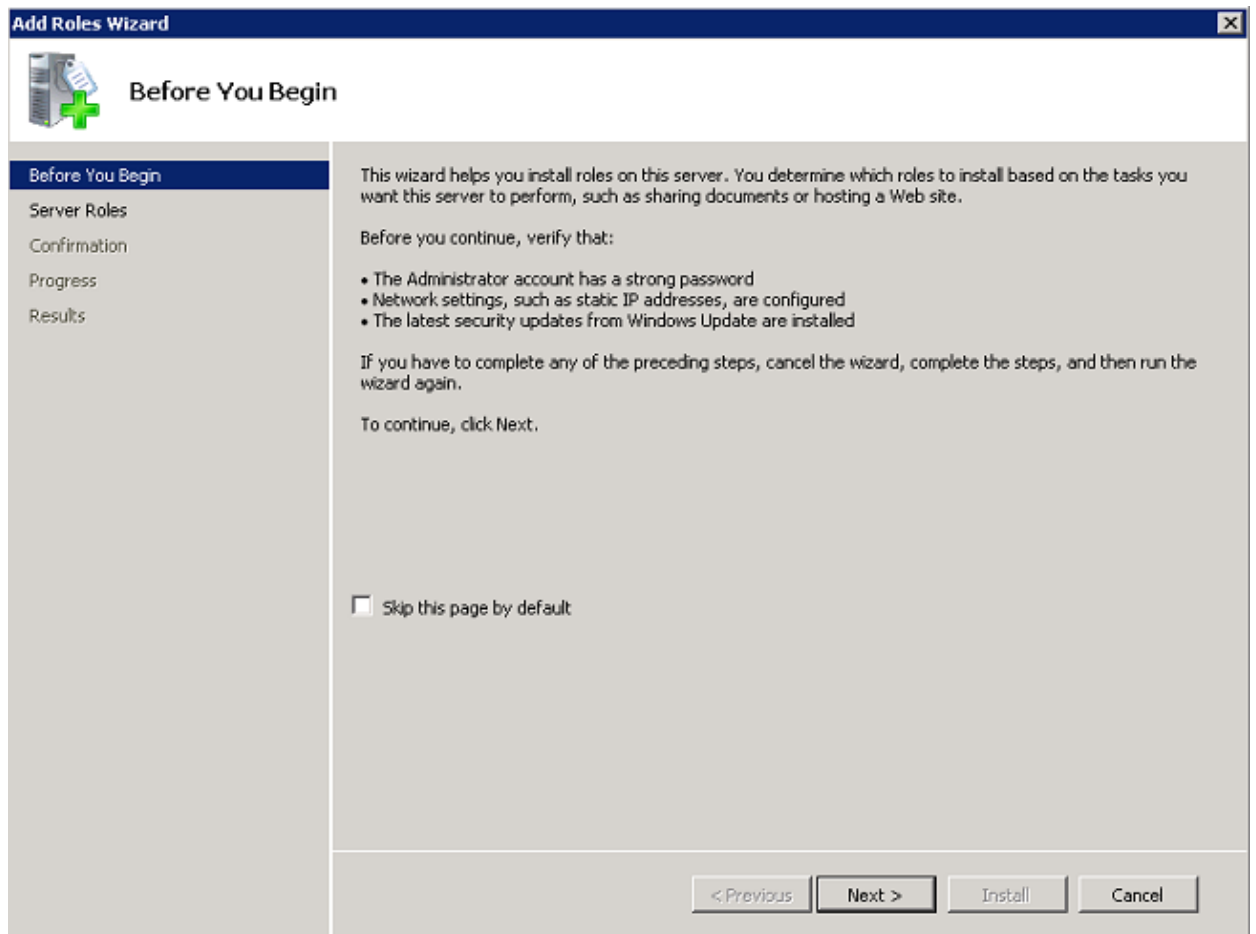
1. Click *Start > Server Manager*.



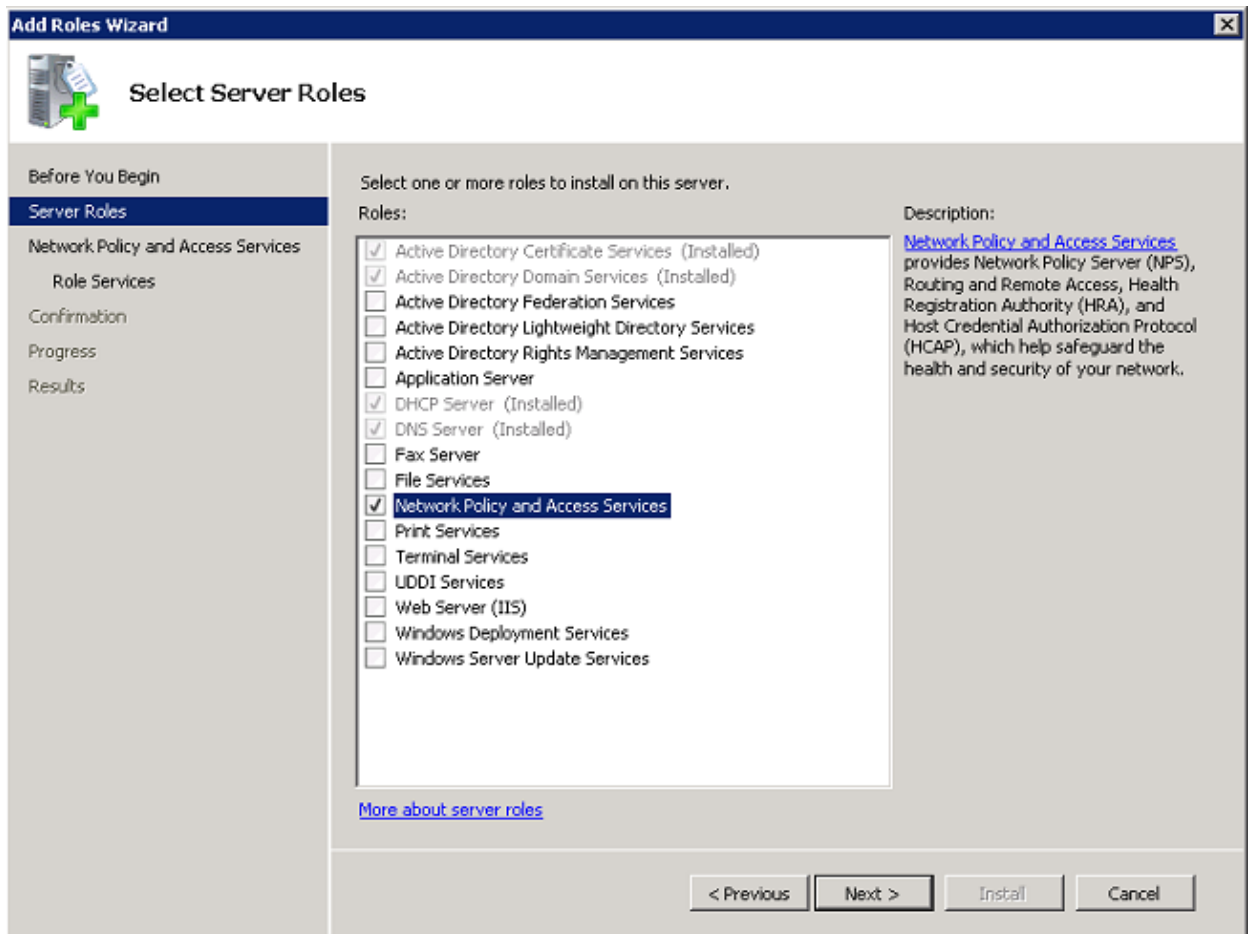
2. Click *Roles > Add Roles*.



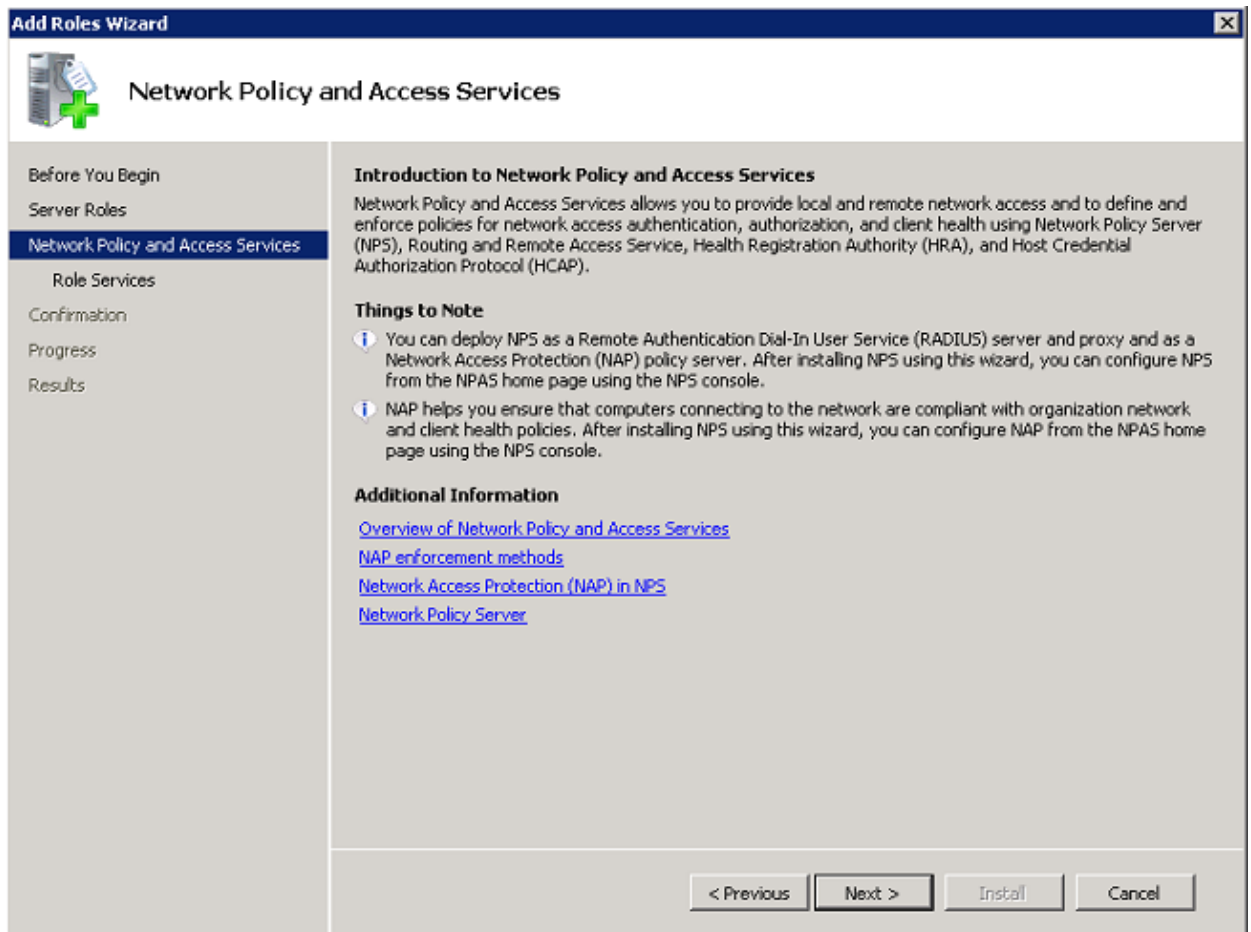
3. Click *Next*.



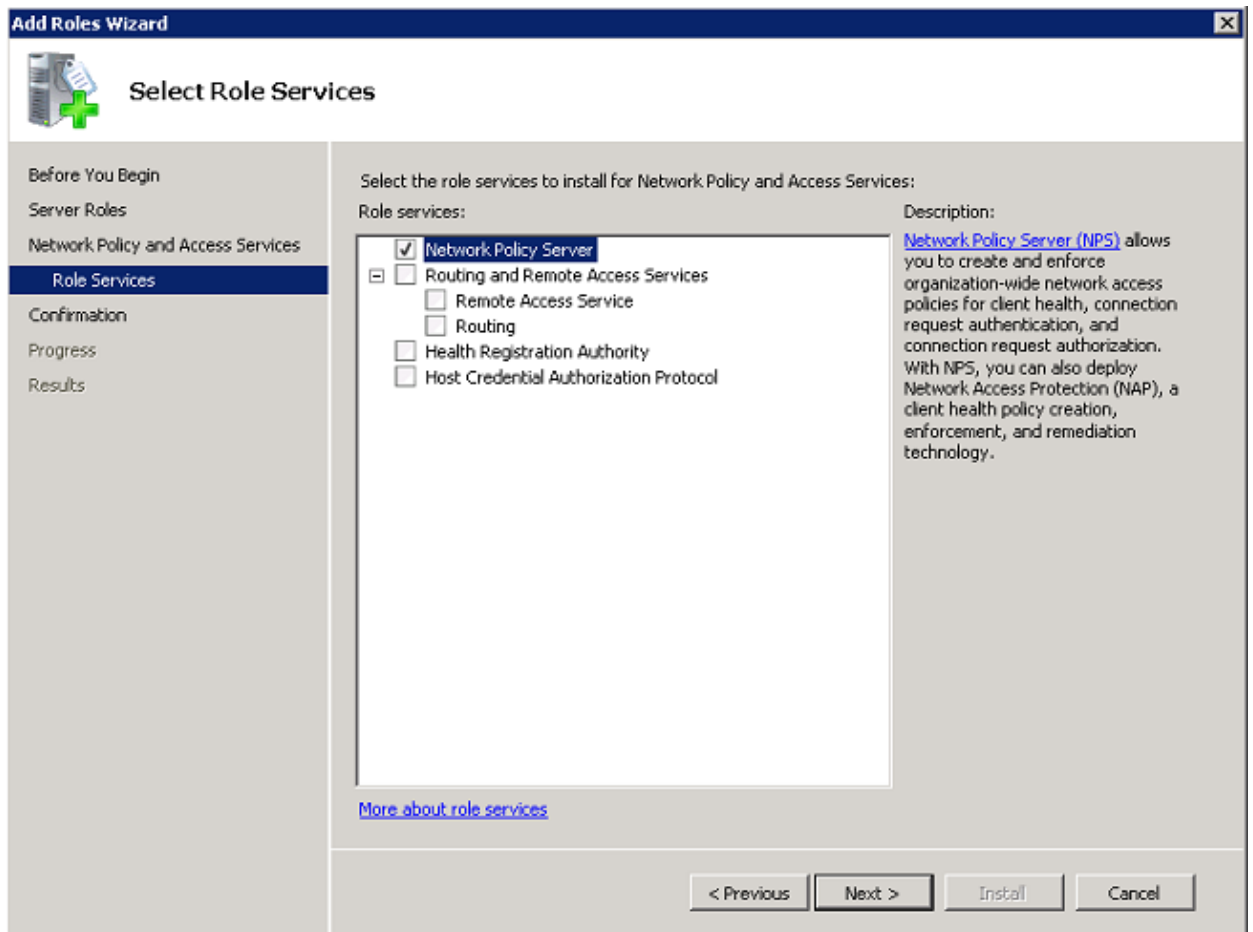
4. Select the service *Network Policy and Access Services*, and click *Next*.



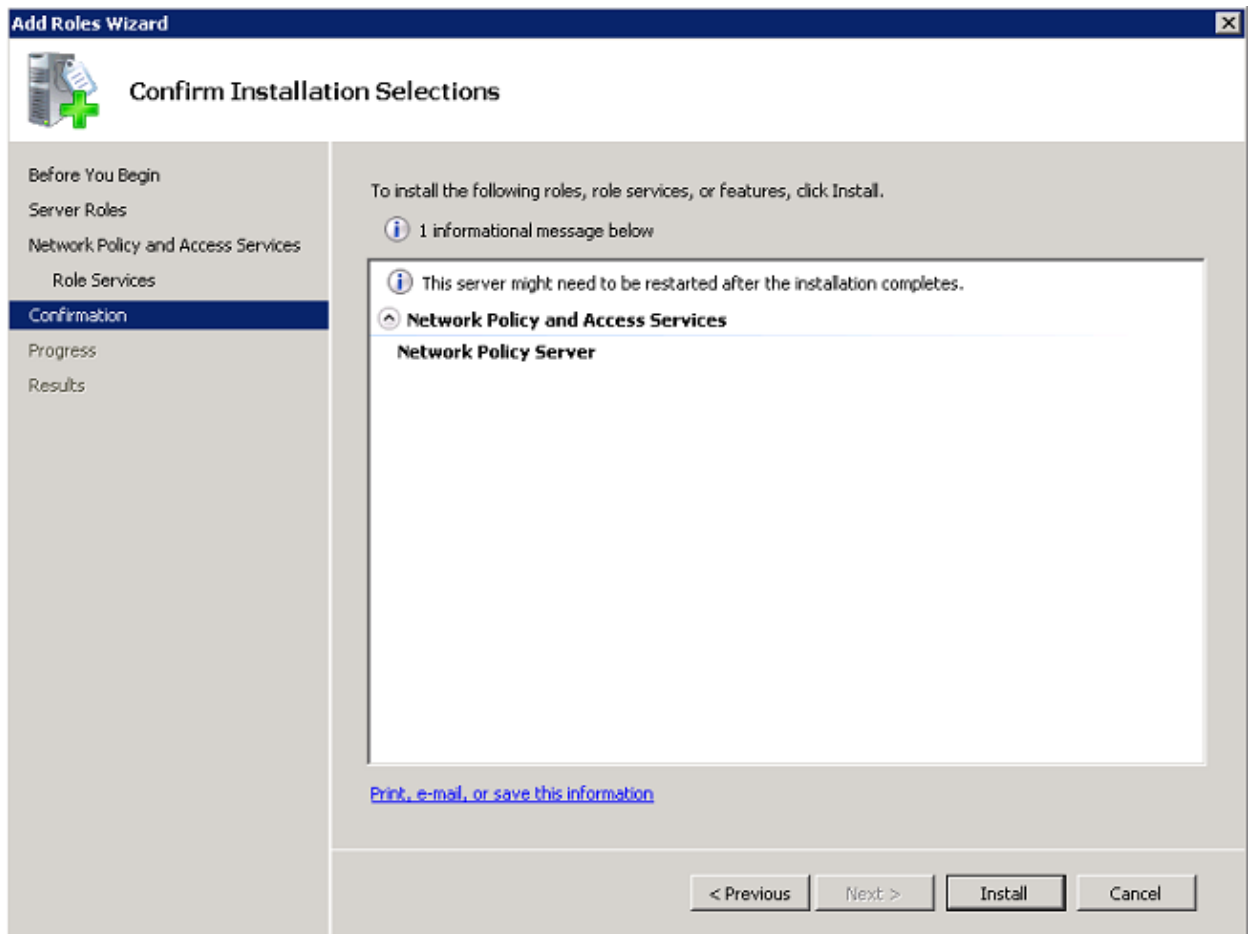
5. Review the Introduction to Network Policy and Access Services, and click *Next*.



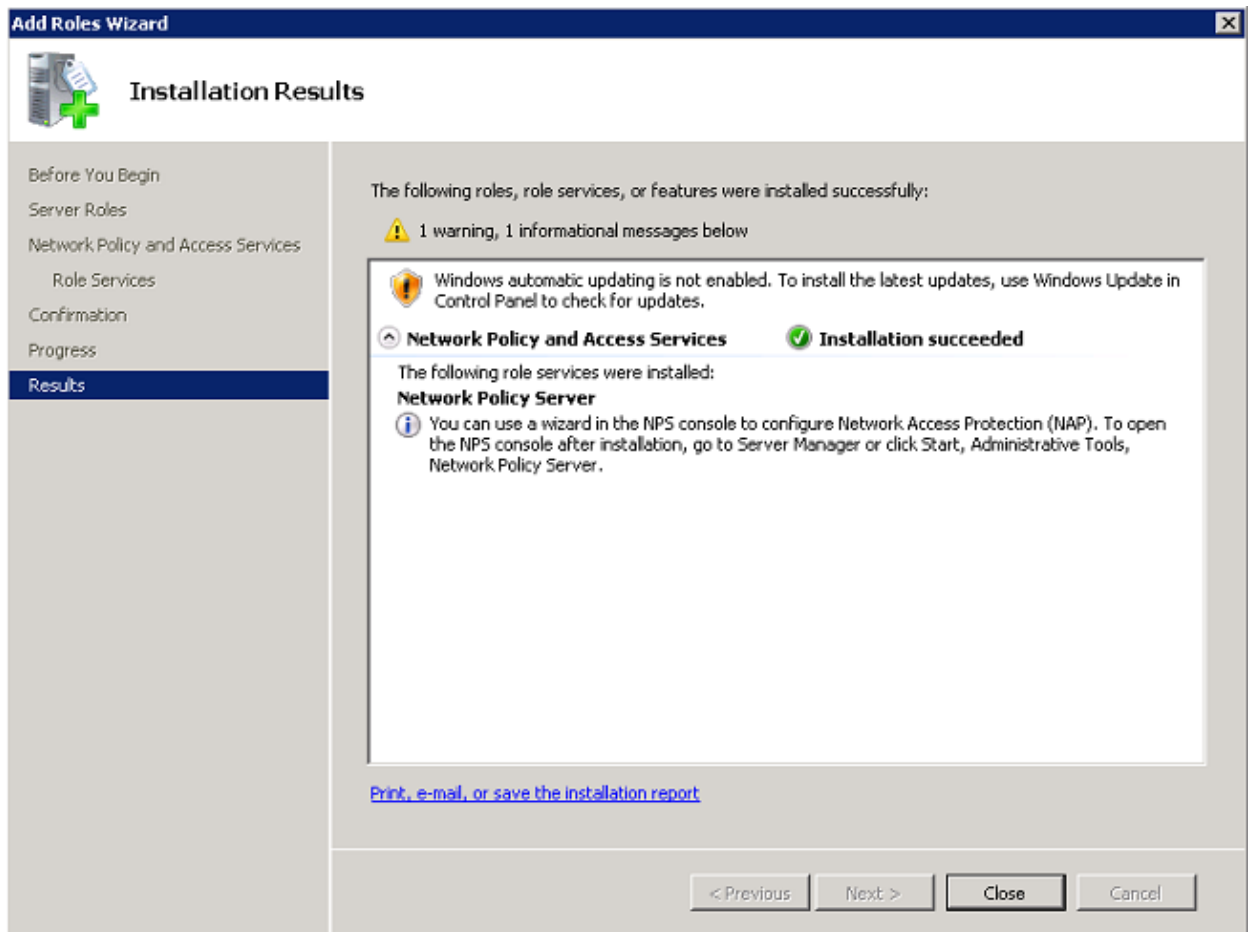
6. Select *Network Policy Server*, and click *Next*.



7. Review the confirmation, and click ***Install***.



After the install is completed, a screen similar to this one is displayed.

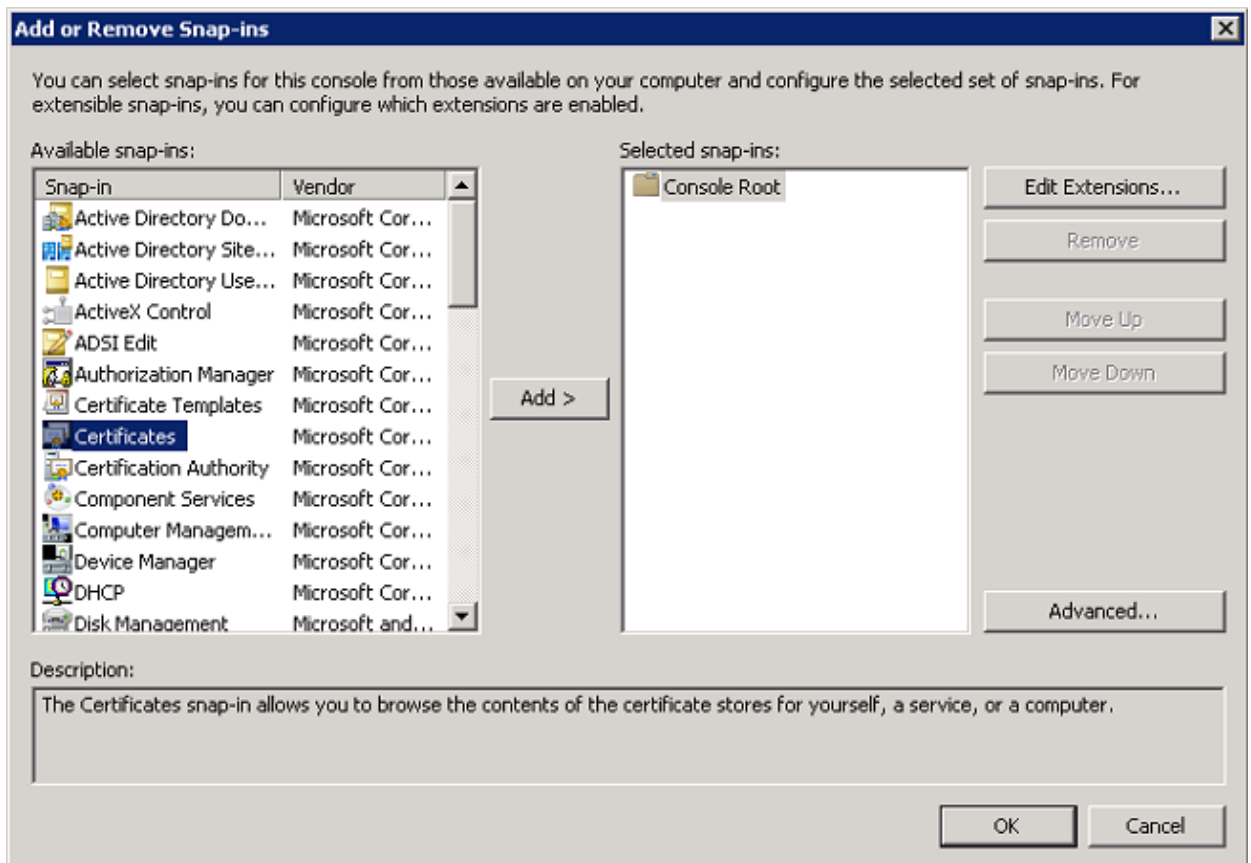


8. Click *Close*.

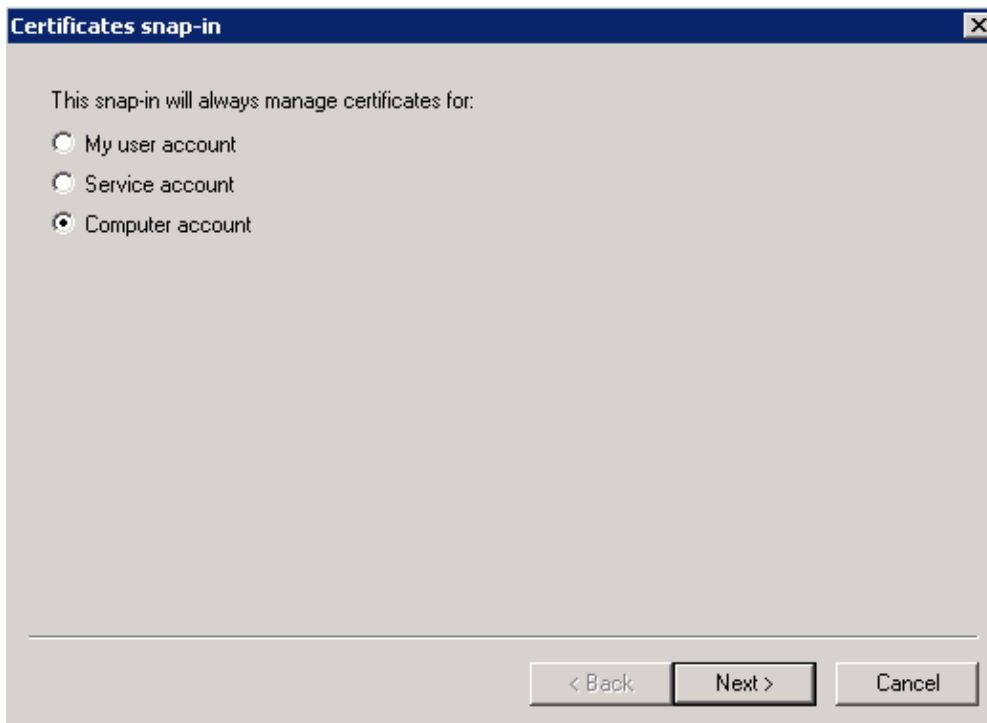
Install a Certificate

Complete these steps in order to install the computer certificate for the NPS:

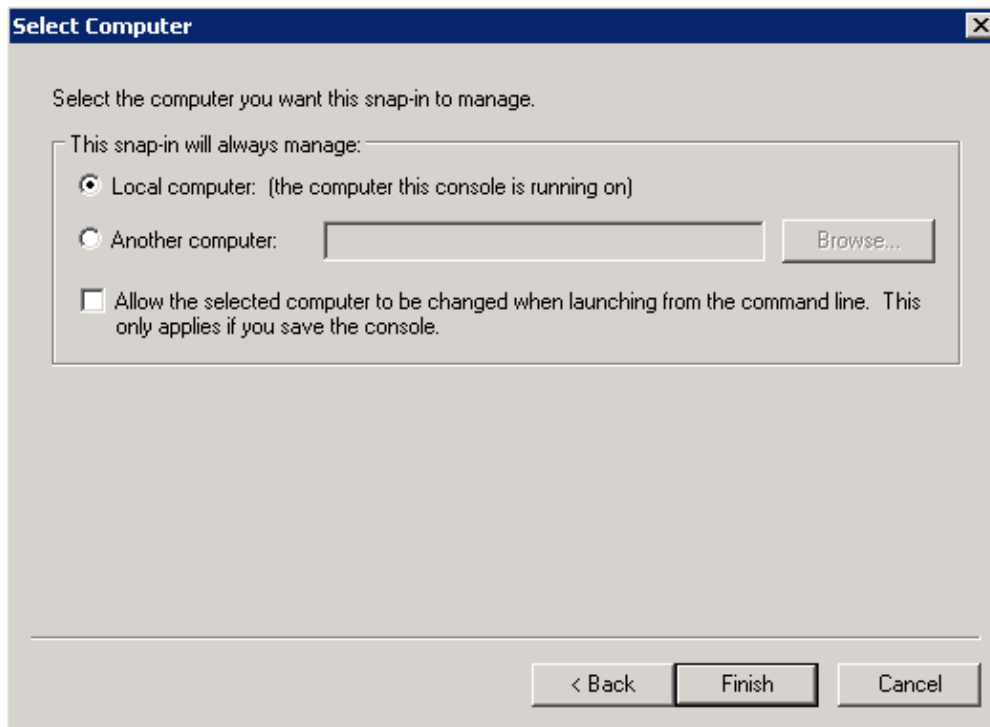
1. Click *Start*, enter *mmc*, and press *Enter*.
2. Click *File > Add/Remove Snap-in*.
3. Choose *Certificates*, and click *Add*.



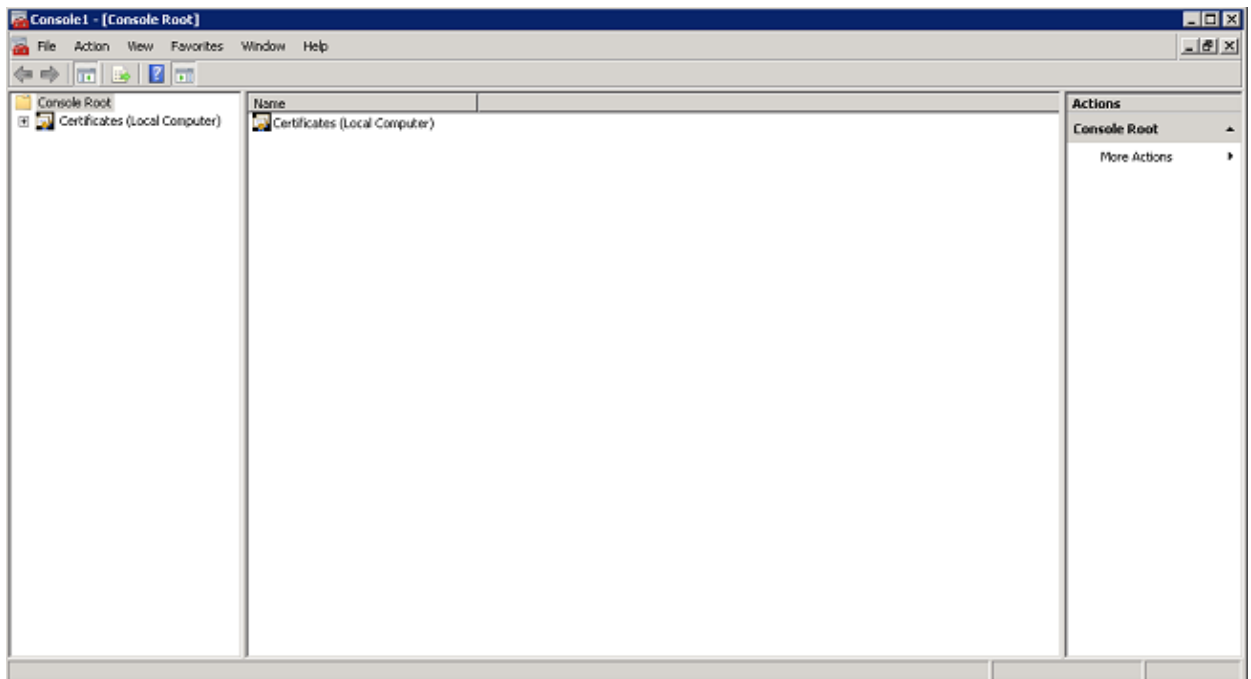
4. Choose *Computer account*, and click *Next*.



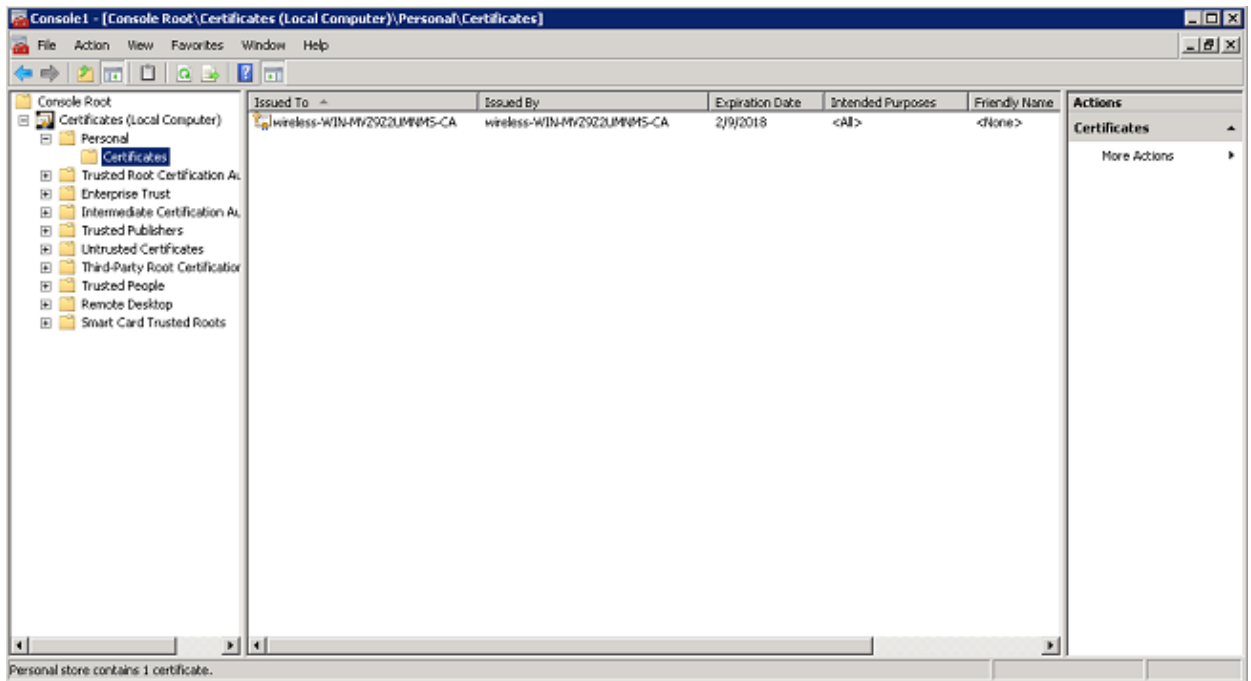
5. Select *Local Computer*, and click *Finish*.



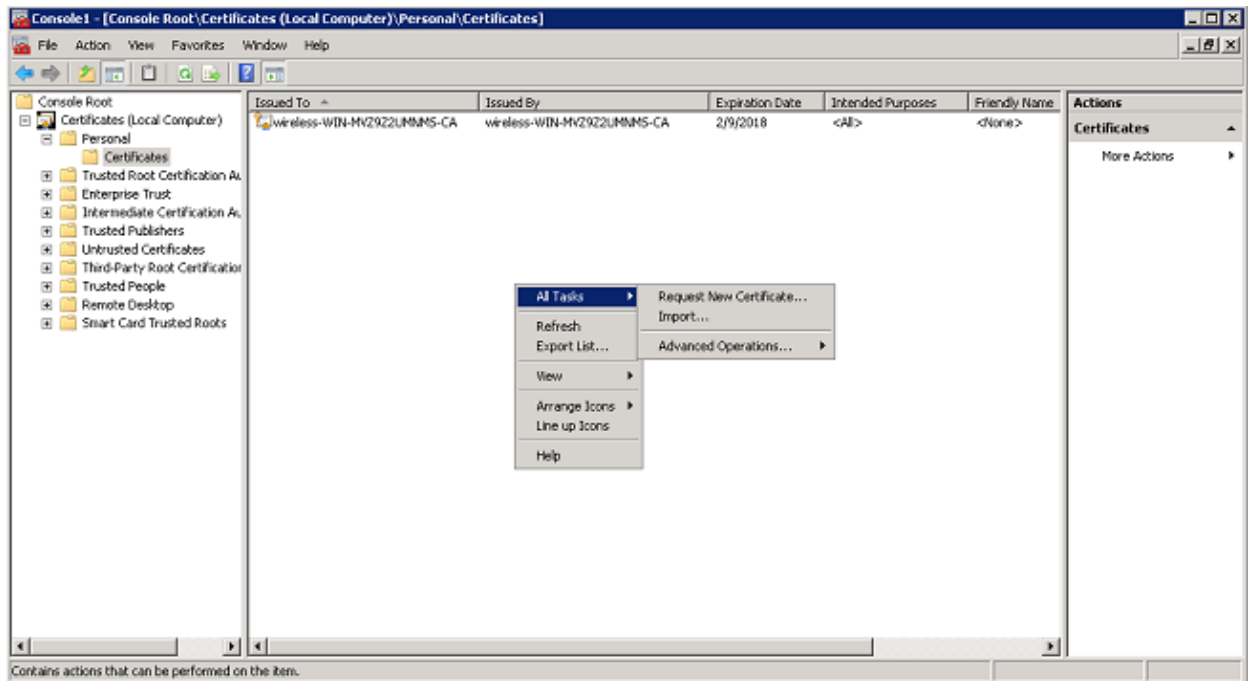
6. Click **OK** to return to the Microsoft Management Console (MMC).



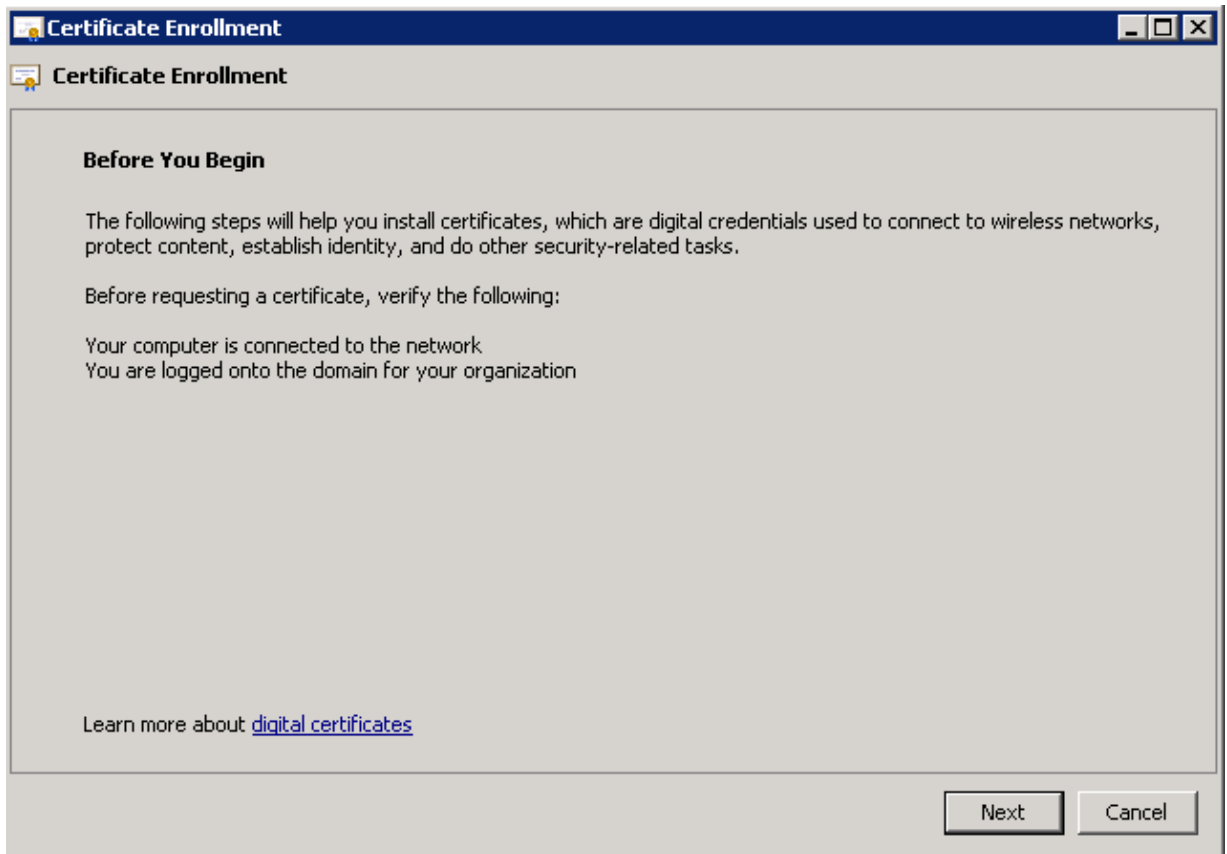
7. Expand the *Certificates (Local Computer)* and *Personal* folders, and click *Certificates*.



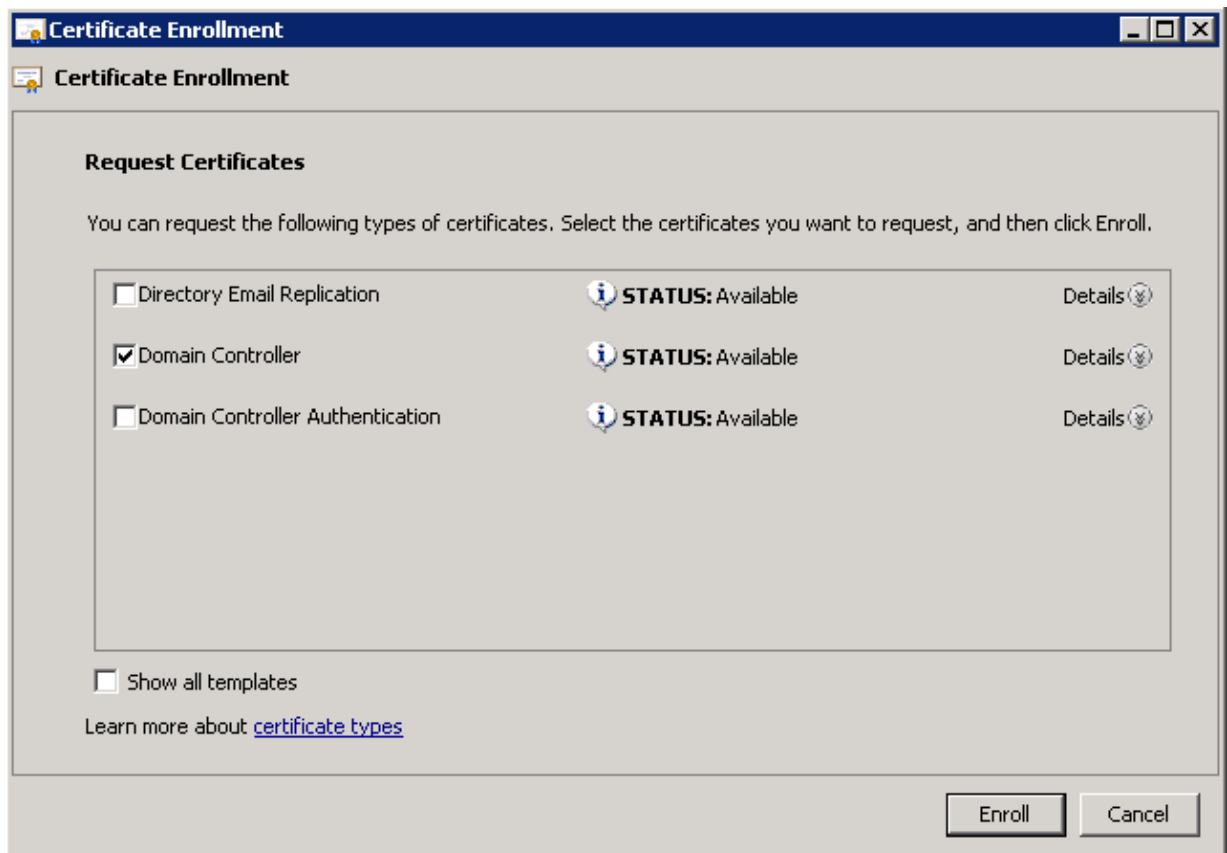
- Right-click in the whitespace beneath the CA certificate, and choose *All Tasks > Request New Certificate*.



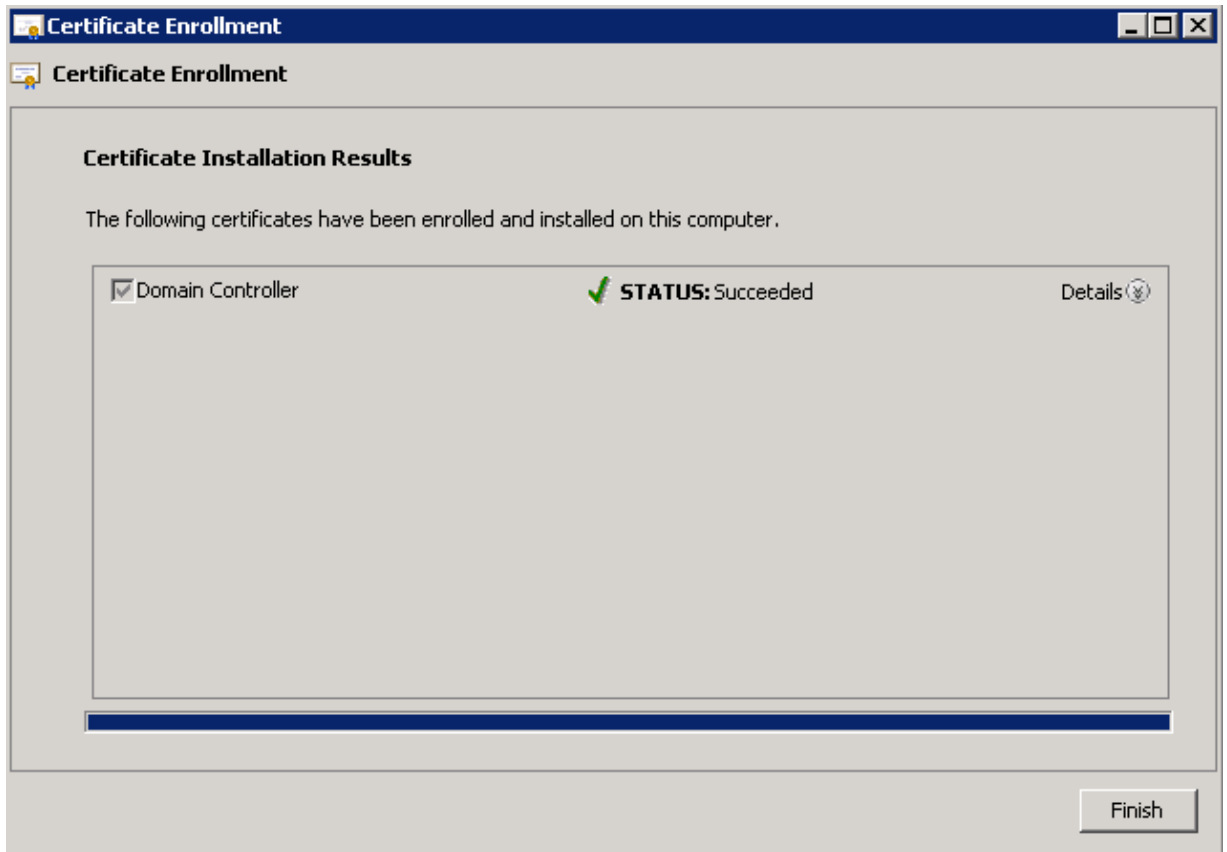
- Click *Next*.



10. Select *Domain Controller*, and click *Enroll*.

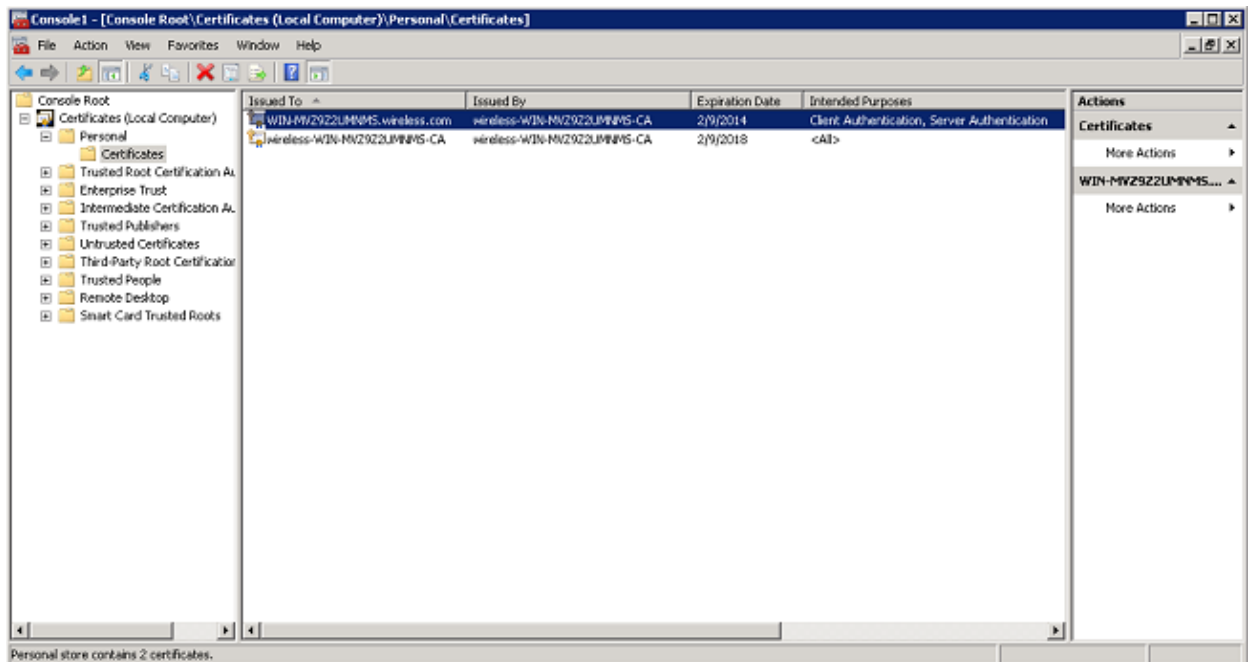


11. Click *Finish* once the certificate is installed.



The NPS certificate is now installed.

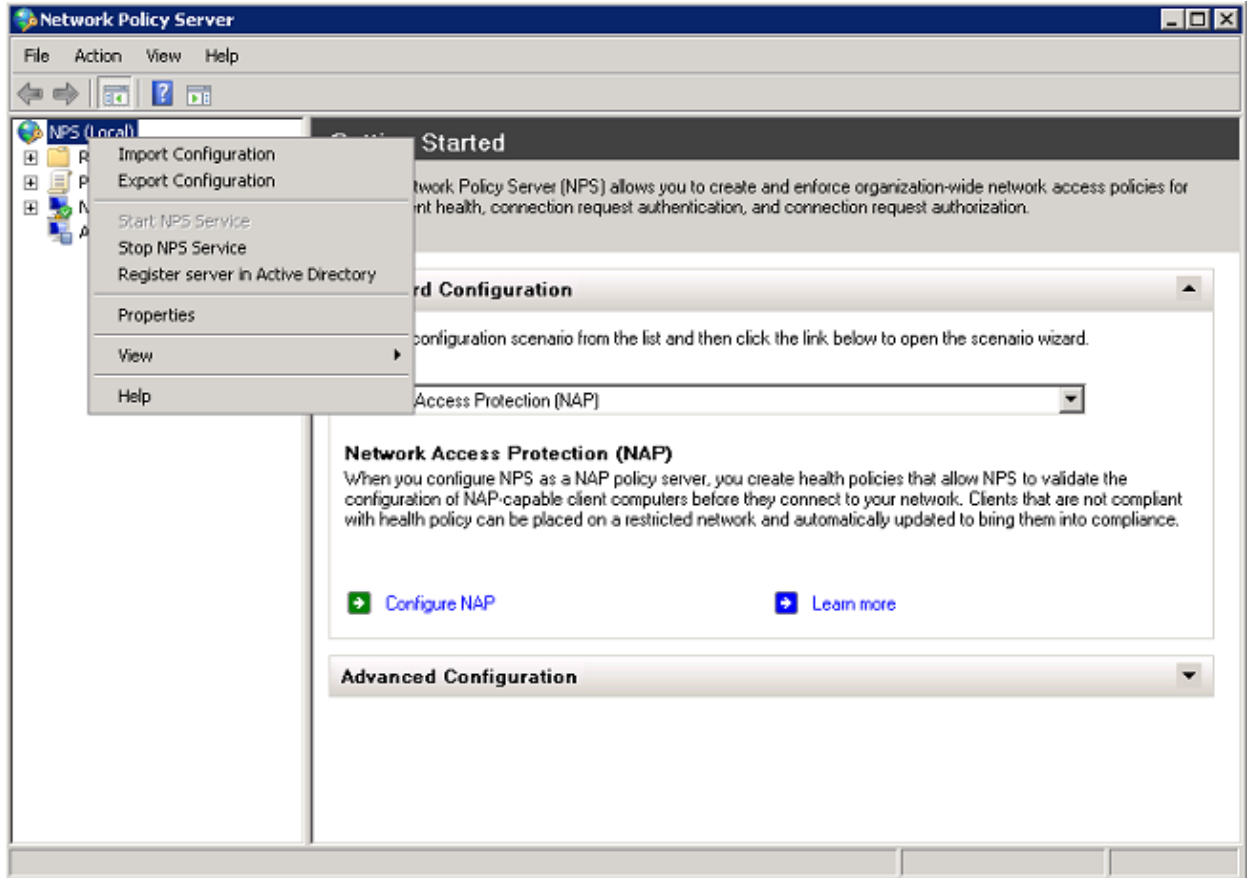
12. Ensure that the Intended Purpose of the certificate reads *Client Authentication, Server Authentication*.



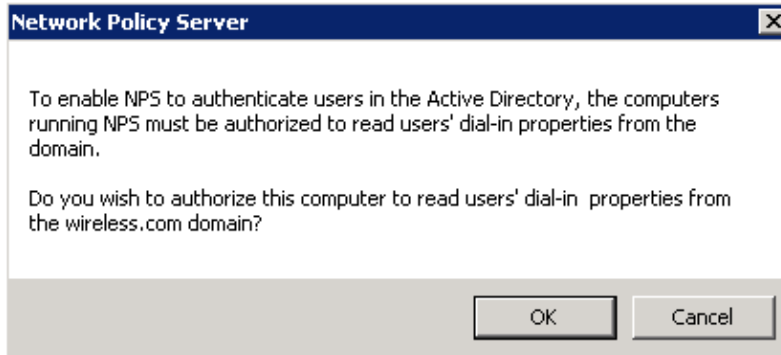
Configure the Network Policy Server Service for PEAP-MS-CHAP v2 Authentication

Complete these steps in order to configure the NPS for authentication:

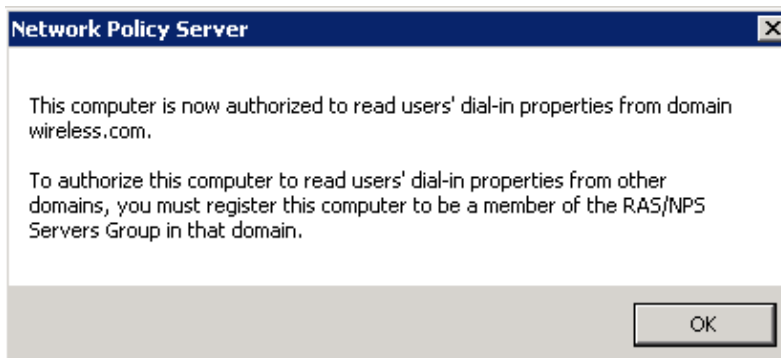
1. Click **Start > Administrative Tools > Network Policy Server**.
2. Right-click **NPS (Local)**, and choose **Register server in Active Directory**.



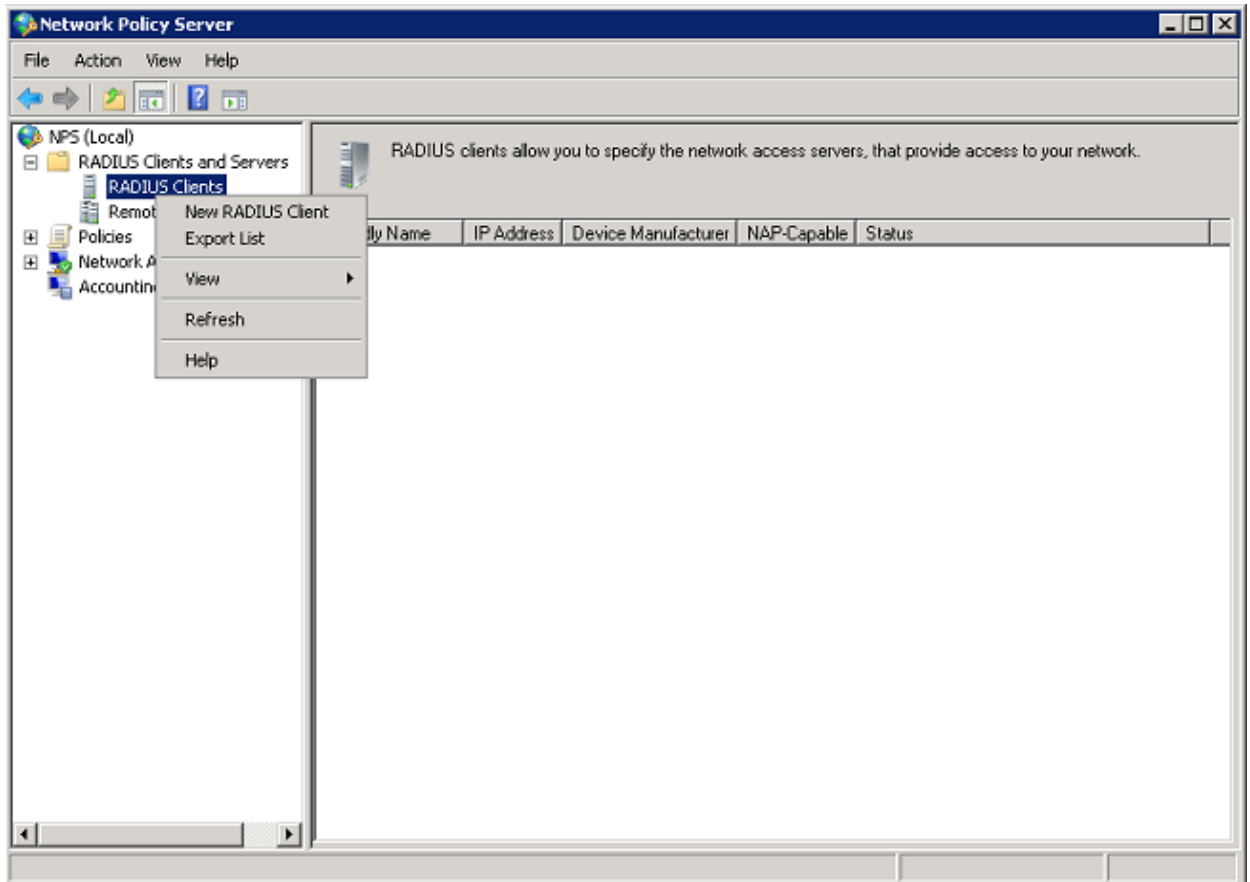
3. Click **OK**.



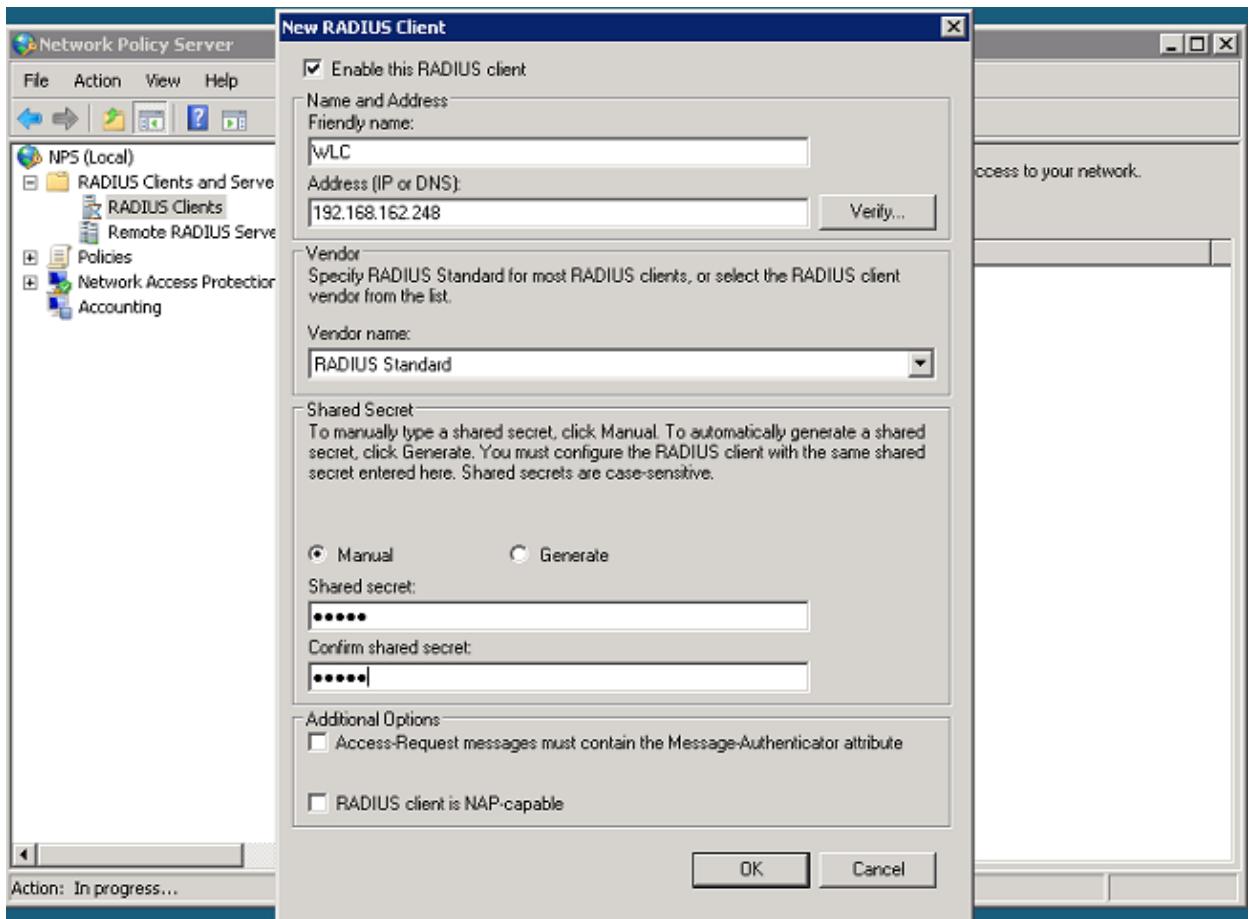
4. Click **OK**.



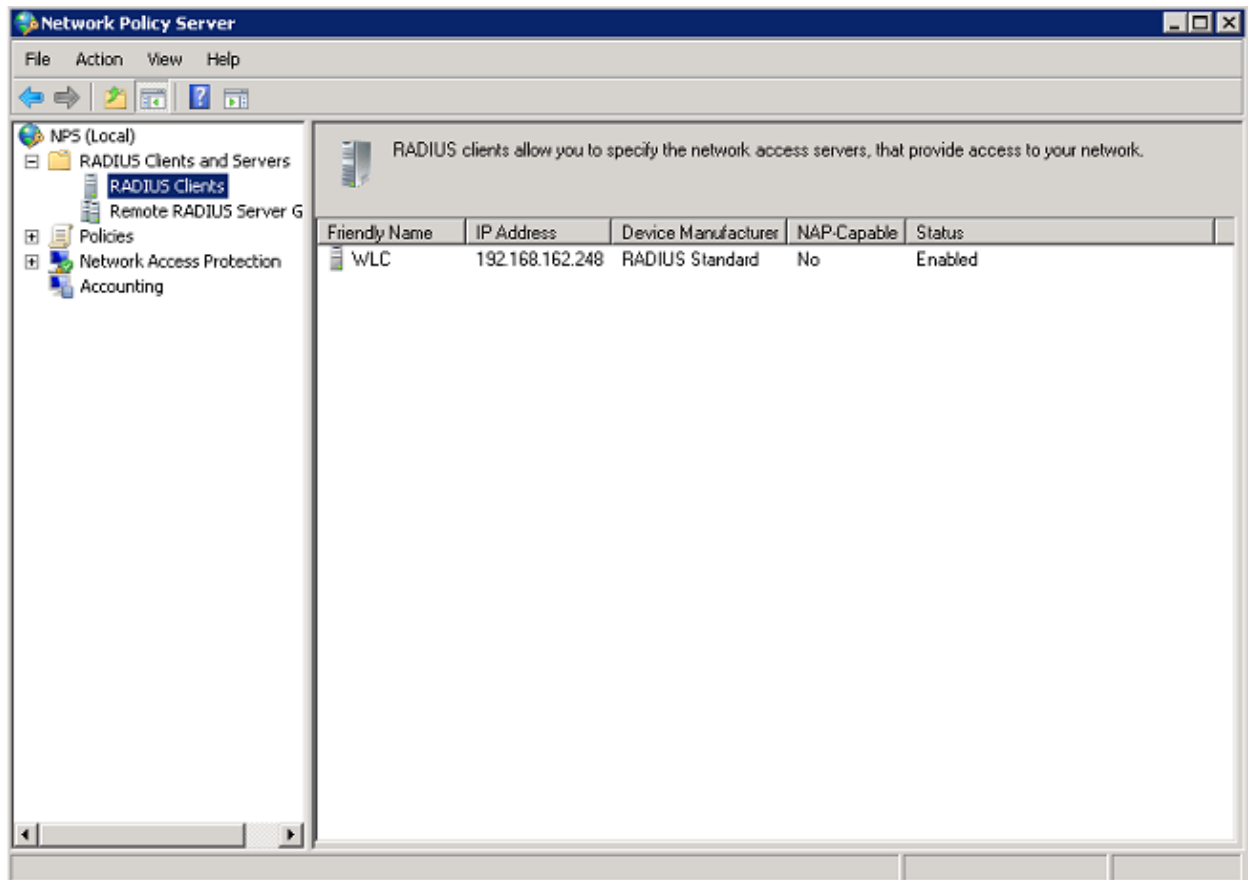
5. Add the Wireless LAN Controller as an authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) client on the NPS.
6. Expand **RADIUS Clients and Servers**. Right-click **RADIUS Clients**, and choose **New RADIUS Client**.



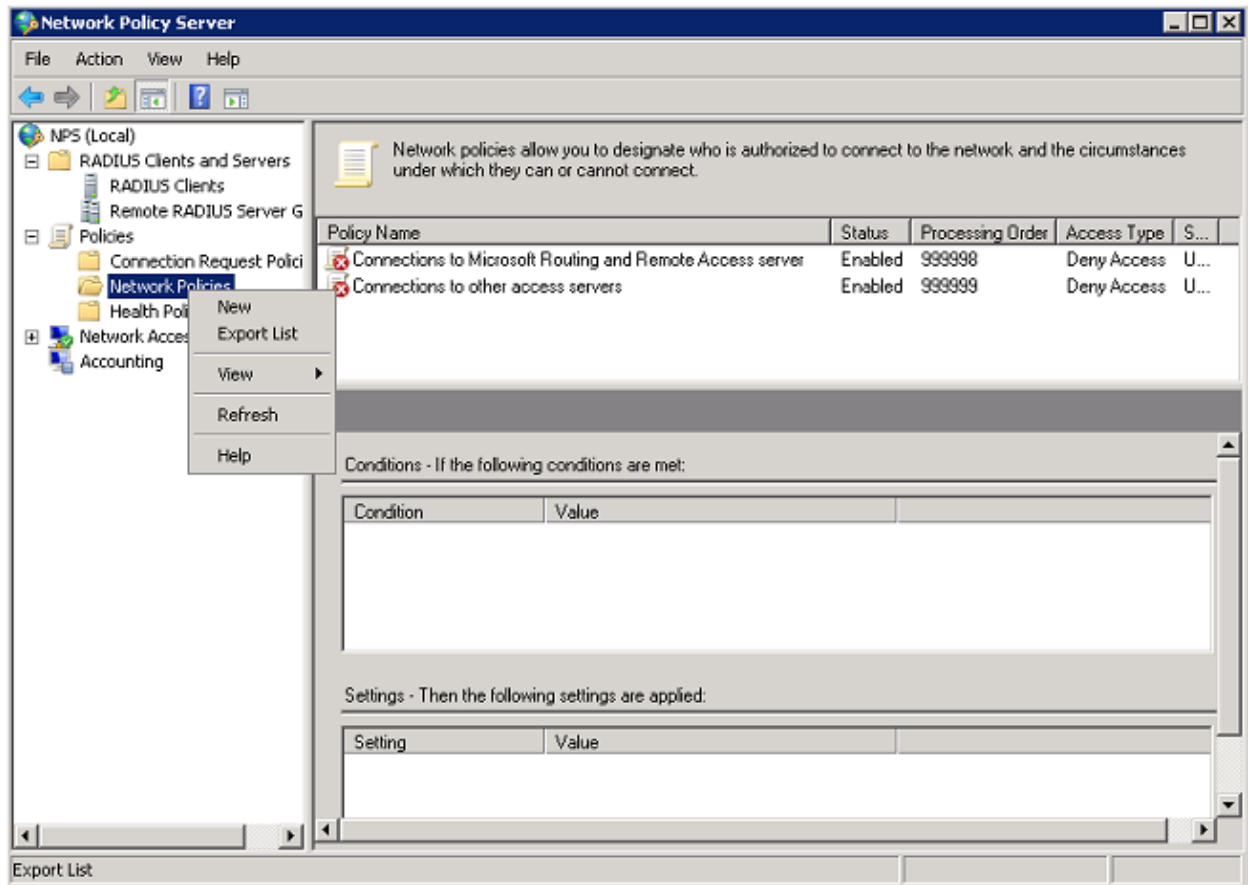
7. Enter a Friendly name (WLC in this example), the management IP address of the WLC (192.168.162.248 in this example) and a shared secret. The same shared secret is used to configure the WLC.



8. Click **OK** to return to the previous screen.



9. Create a new Network Policy for wireless users. Expand **Policies**, right-click **Network Policies**, and choose **New**.



10. Enter a policy name for this rule (Wireless PEAP in this example), and click **Next**.

New Network Policy [X]

Specify Network Policy Name and Connection Type

You can specify a name for your network policy and the type of connections to which the policy is applied.

Policy name:
Wireless PEAP

Network connection method

Select the type of network access server that sends the connection request to NPS. You can select either the network access server type or Vendor specific.

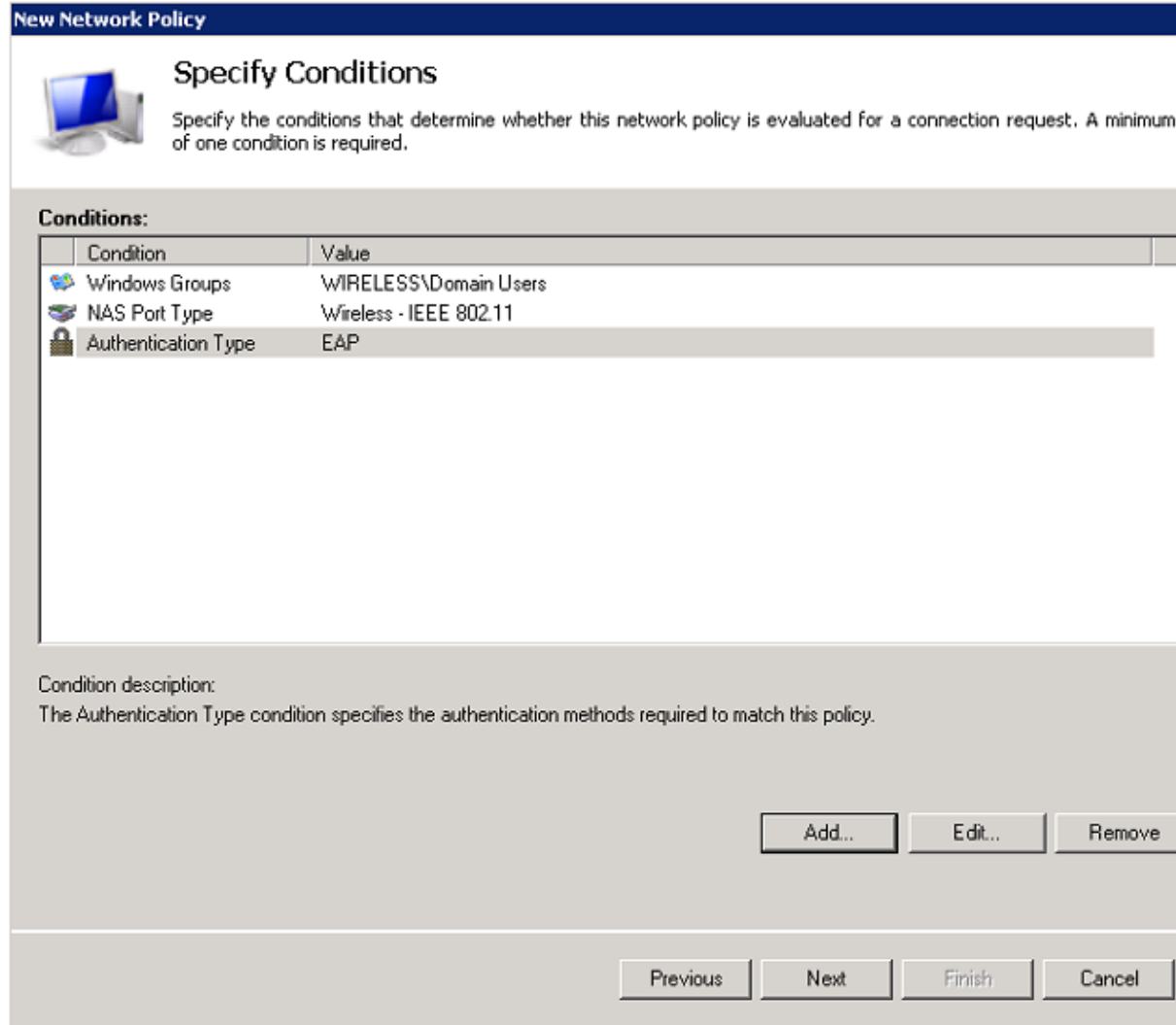
Type of network access server:
Unspecified

Vendor specific:
10

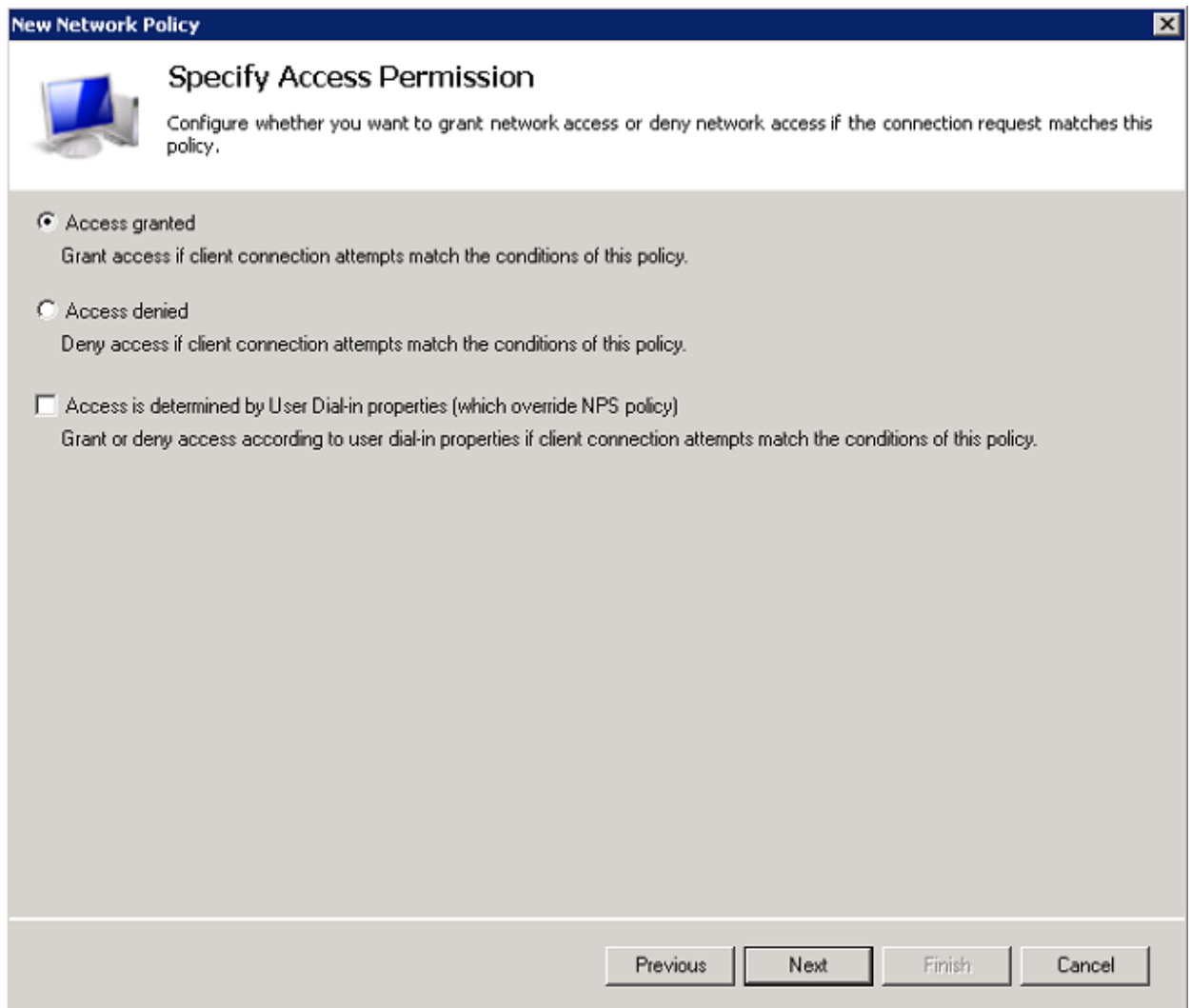
Previous Next Finish Cancel

11. To have this policy allow only wireless domain users, add these three conditions, and click **Next**:

- ◆ Windows Groups – Domain Users
- ◆ NAS Port Type – Wireless – IEEE 802.11
- ◆ Authentication Type – EAP



12. Click *Access granted* to grant connection attempts that match this policy, and click *Next*.



13. Disable all the authentication methods under Less secure authentication methods.

New Network Policy X

Configure Authentication Methods

Configure one or more authentication methods required for the connection request to match this policy. For EAP authentication, you must configure an EAP type. If you deploy NAP with 802.1X or VPN, you must configure Protected EAP in connection request policy, which overrides network policy authentication settings.

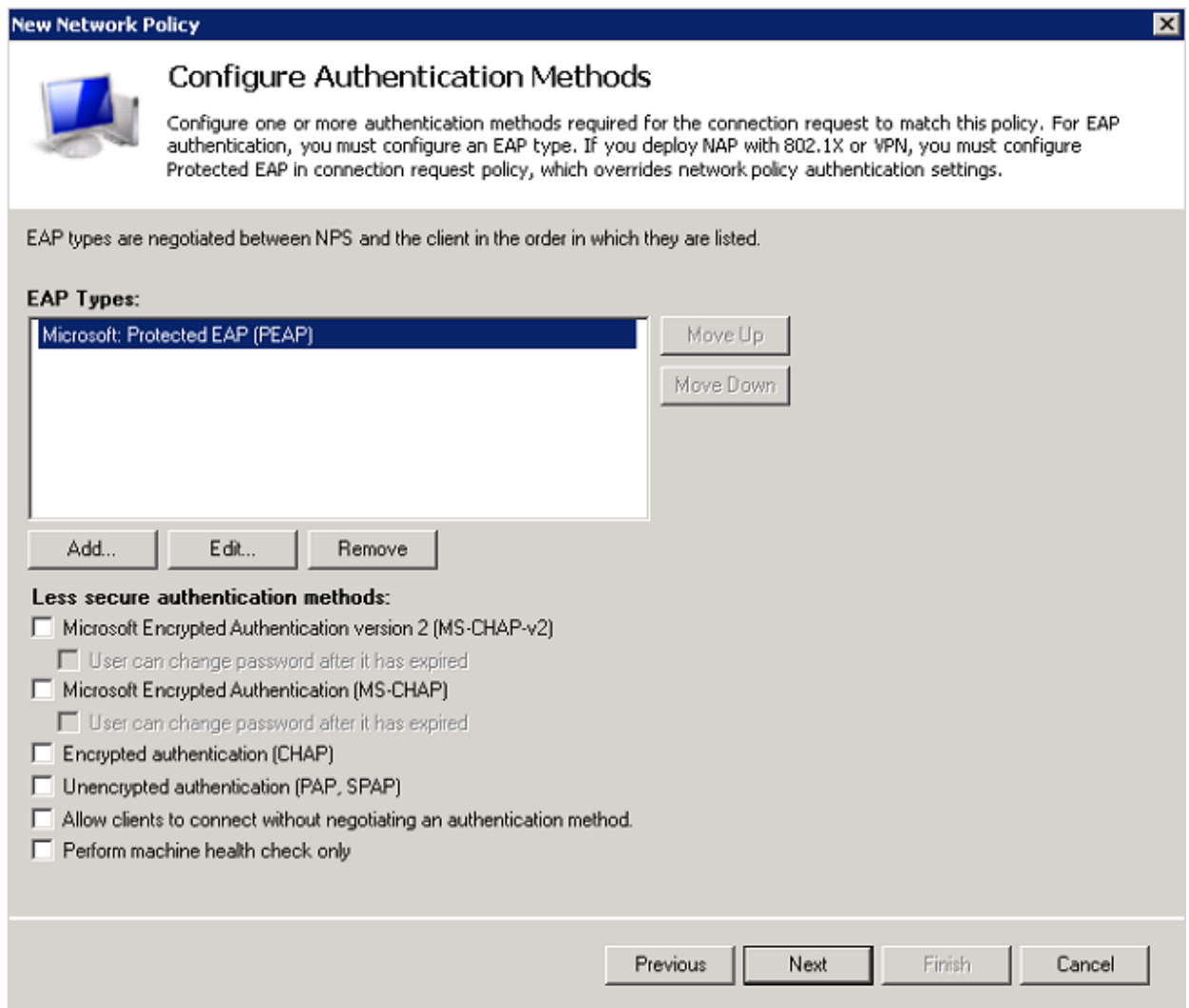
EAP types are negotiated between NPS and the client in the order in which they are listed.

EAP Types:

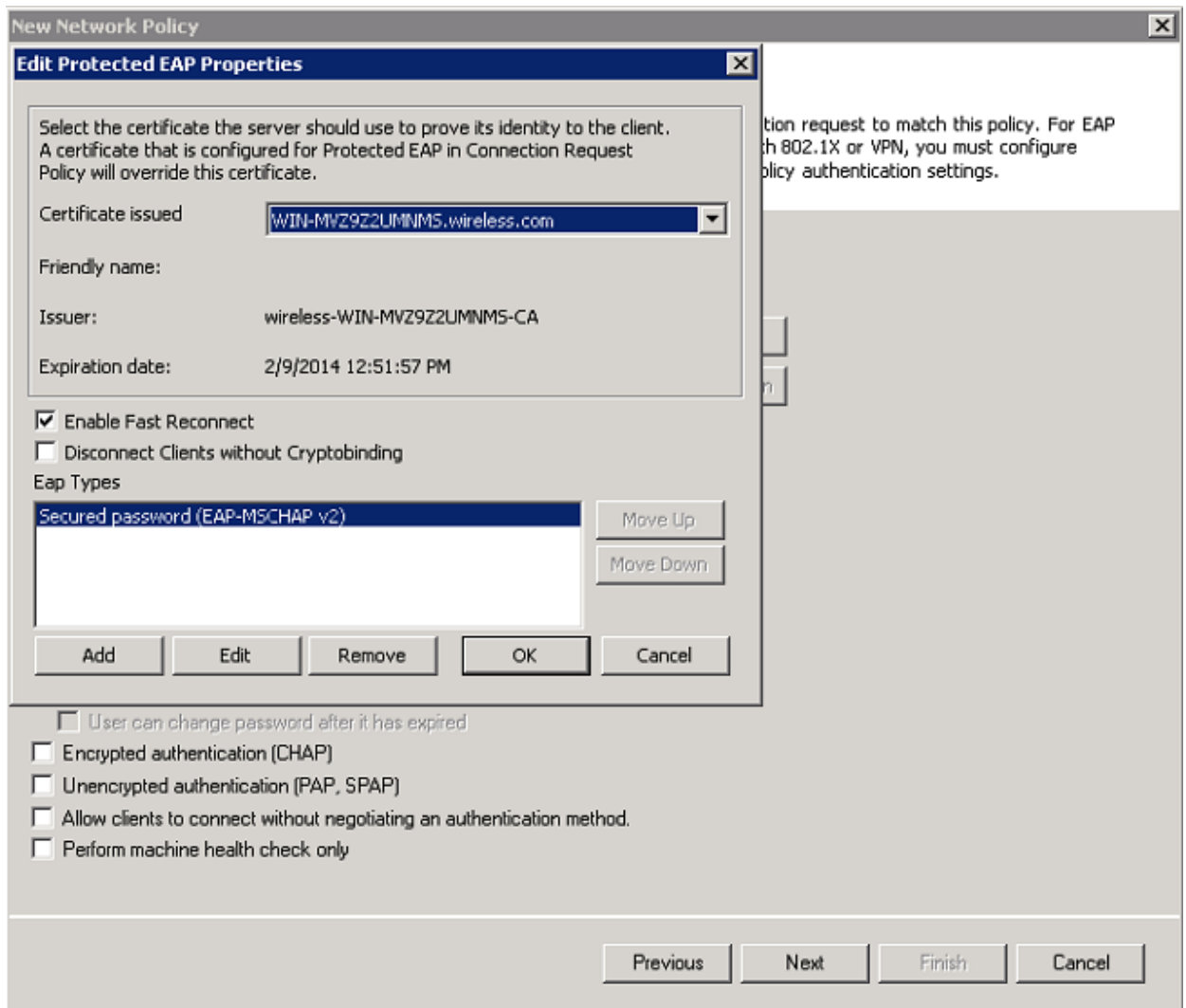
Less secure authentication methods:

- Microsoft Encrypted Authentication version 2 (MS-CHAP-v2)
 - User can change password after it has expired
- Microsoft Encrypted Authentication (MS-CHAP)
 - User can change password after it has expired
- Encrypted authentication (CHAP)
- Unencrypted authentication (PAP, SPAP)
- Allow clients to connect without negotiating an authentication method.
- Perform machine health check only

14. Click **Add**, select PEAP, and click **OK** to enable PEAP.



15. Select **Microsoft: Protected EAP (PEAP)**, and click **Edit**. Ensure the previously created domain controller certificate is selected in the Certificate issued drop-down list, and click **Ok**.



16. Click *Next*.

New Network Policy X

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EAP Types:

Microsoft: Protected EAP (PEAP)	Move Up
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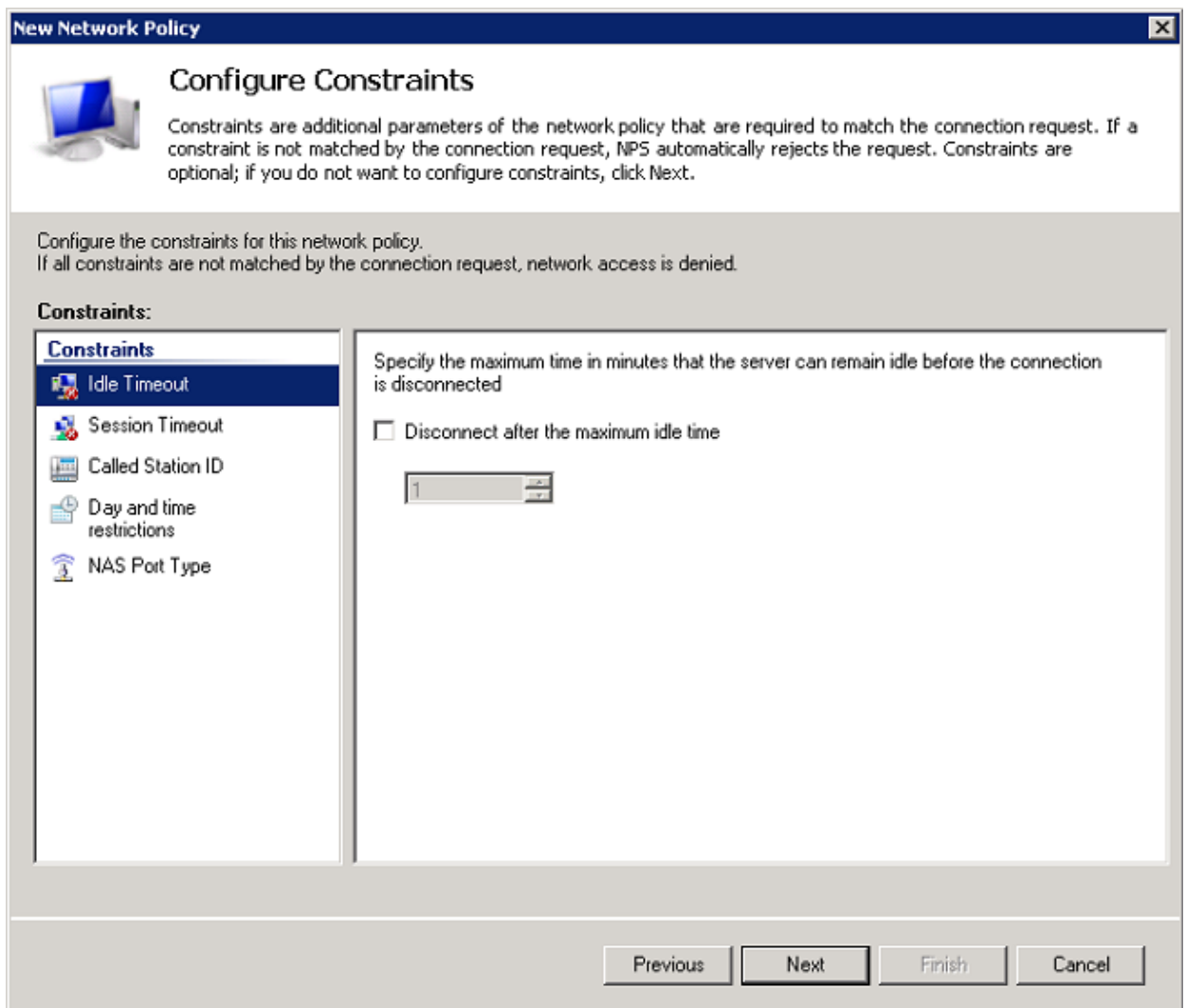
Add... Edit... Remove

Less secure authentication methods:

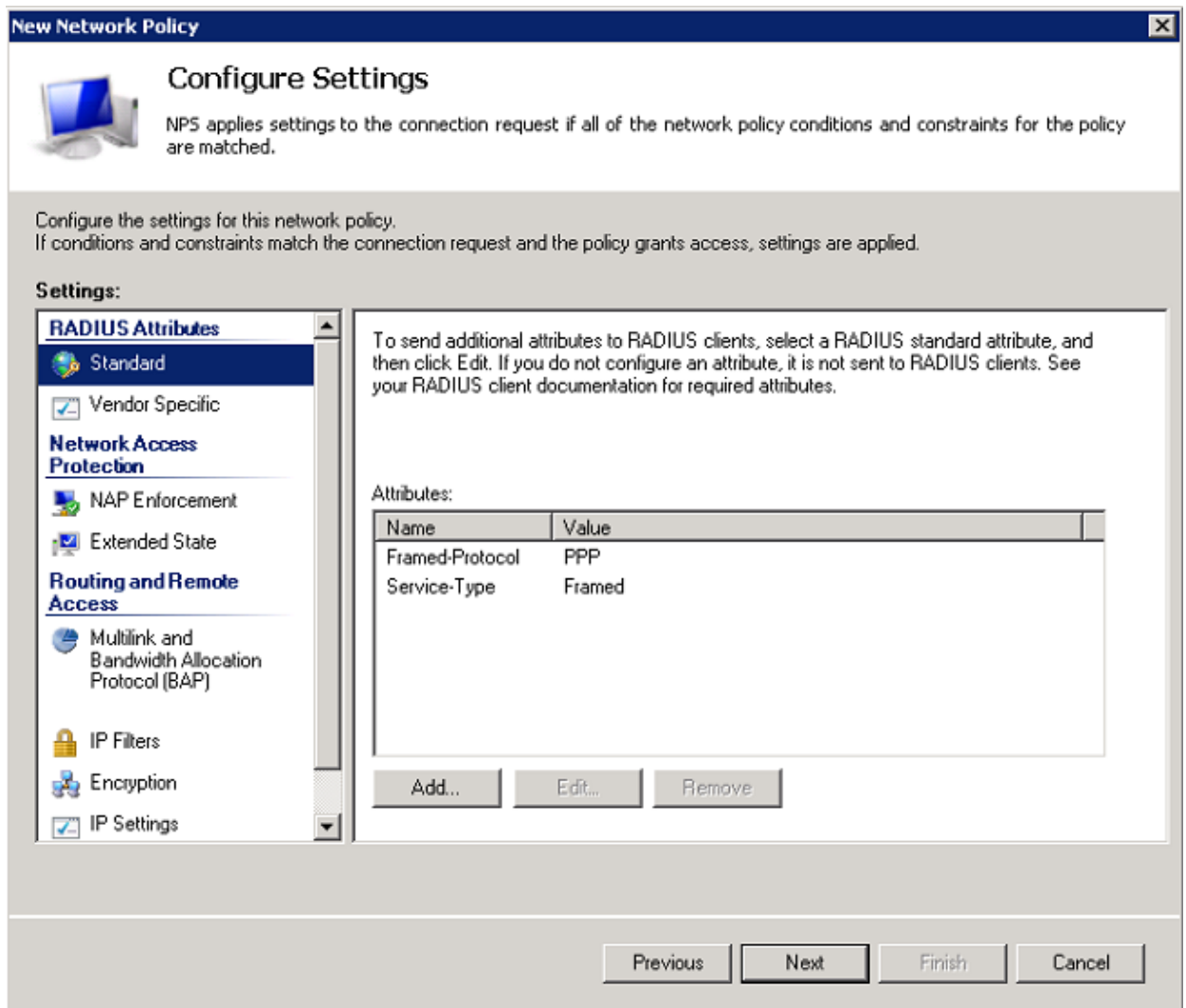
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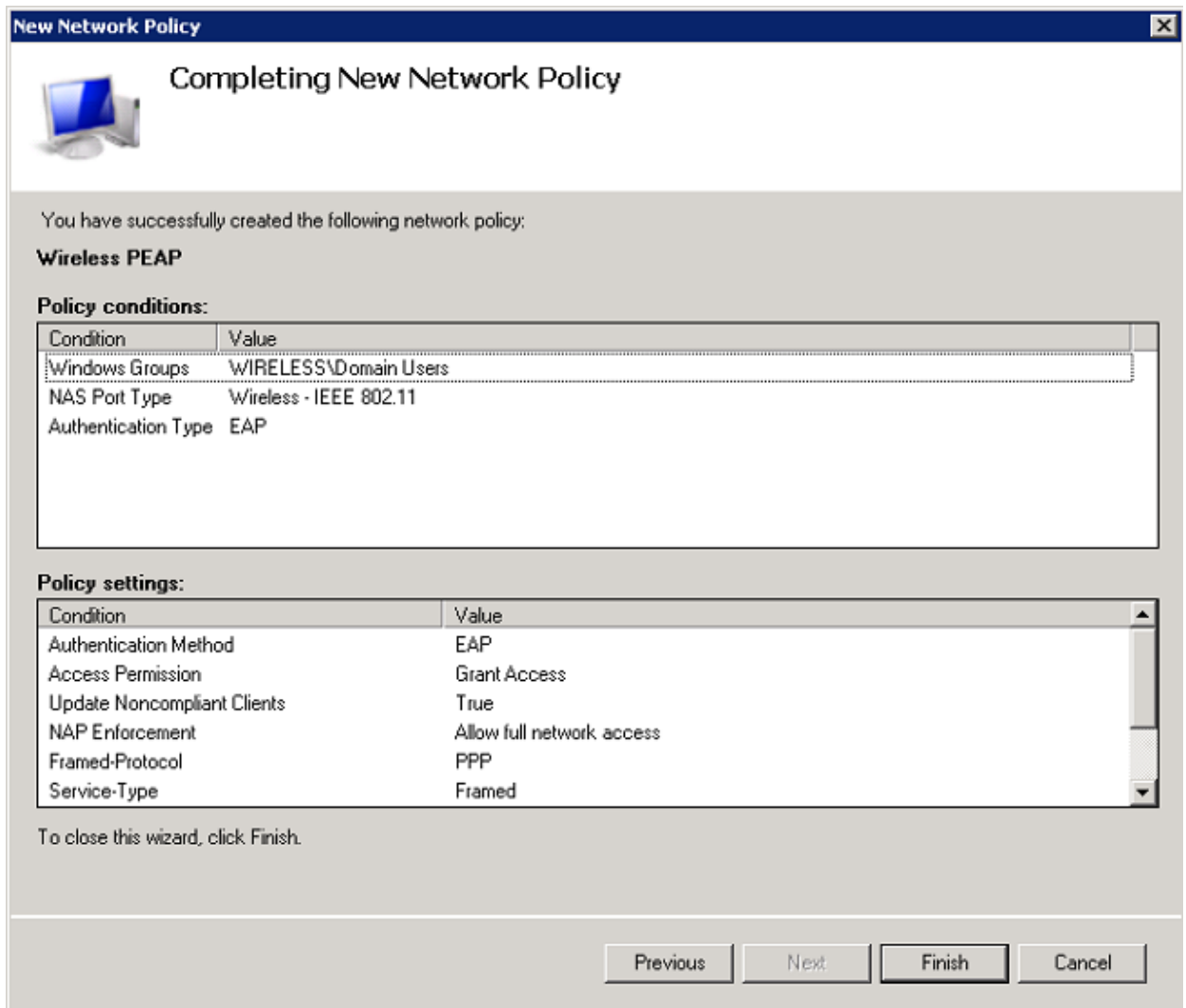
17. Click *Next*.



18. Click *Next*.



19. Click **Finish**.



Add Users to the Active Directory

In this example, the user database is maintained on the Active Directory. Complete these steps in order to add users to the Active Directory database:

1. Open Active Directory Users and Computers. Click **Start > Administrative Tools > Active Directory Users and Computers**.
2. In the Active Directory Users and Computers console tree, expand the domain, right-click **Users > New**, and choose **User**.
3. In the New Object ? User dialog box, enter the name of the wireless user. This example uses the name Client1 in the First name field and Client1 in the User logon name field. Click **Next**.

New Object - User

Create in: wireless.com/Users

First name: Client1 Initials:

Last name:

Full name: Client1

User logon name: Client1 @wireless.com

User logon name (pre-Windows 2000): WIRELESS\ Client1

< Back Next > Cancel

4. In the New Object ? User dialog box, enter a password of your choice in the Password and Confirm password fields. Uncheck the *User must change password at next logon* check box, and click *Next*.

New Object - User

Create in: wireless.com/Users

Password:

Confirm password:

User must change password at next logon

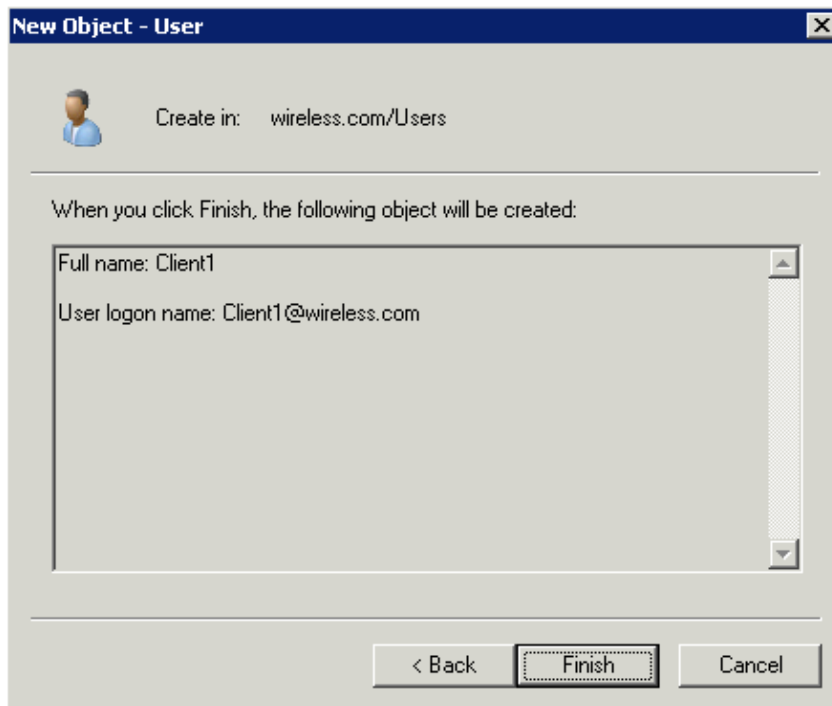
User cannot change password

Password never expires

Account is disabled

< Back Next > Cancel

5. In the New Object ? User dialog box, click *Finish*.



6. Repeat steps 2 through 4 in order to create additional user accounts.

Configure the Wireless LAN Controller and LAPs

Configure the wireless devices (the Wireless LAN Controllers and LAPs) for this setup.

Configure the WLC for RADIUS Authentication

Configure the WLC to use the NPS as the authentication server. The WLC must be configured in order to forward the user credentials to an external RADIUS server. The external RADIUS server then validates the user credentials and provides access to the wireless clients.

Complete these steps in order to add the NPS as a RADIUS server in the *Security > RADIUS Authentication* page:

1. Choose *Security > RADIUS > Authentication* from the controller interface to display the RADIUS Authentication Servers page. Click *New* in order to define a RADIUS server.

Security

RADIUS Authentication Servers Apply New...

Call Station ID Type ¹

Use AES Key Wrap (Designed for FIPS customers and requires a key wrap compliant RADIUS server)

MAC Delimiter

Network User **Management** **Server Index** **Server Address** **Port** **IPSec** **Admin Status**

1. Call Station ID Type will be applicable only for non 802.1x authentication only.

2. Define the RADIUS server parameters. These parameters include the RADIUS Server IP Address, Shared Secret, Port Number, and Server Status. The Network User and Management check boxes determine if RADIUS–based authentication applies to management and network (wireless) users. This example uses the NPS as the RADIUS server with an IP address of 192.168.162.12. Click **Apply**.

Security

RADIUS Authentication Servers > New < Back Apply

Server Index (Priority)

Server IP Address

Shared Secret Format

Shared Secret

Confirm Shared Secret

Key Wrap (Designed for FIPS customers and requires a key wrap compliant RADIUS server)

Port Number

Server Status

Support for RFC 3576

Server Timeout seconds

Network User Enable

Management Enable

IPSec Enable

Configure a WLAN for the Clients

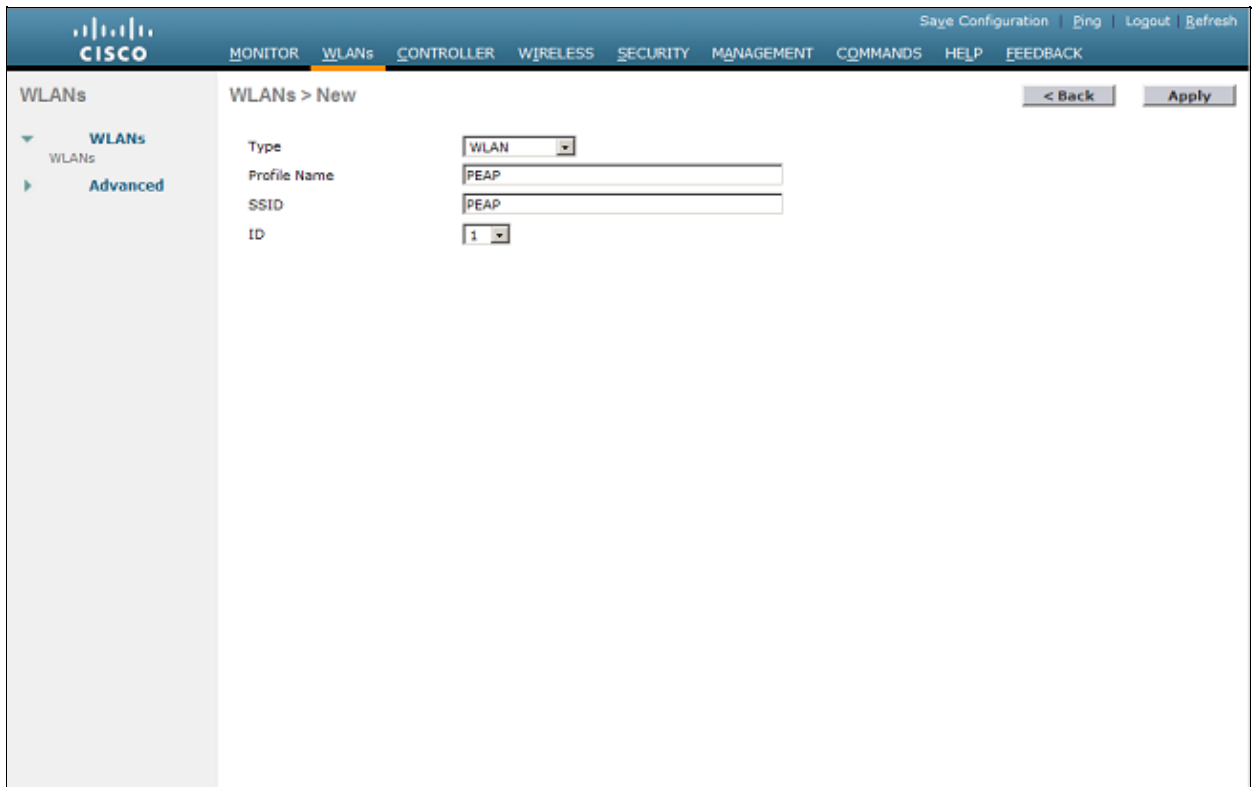
Configure the service set identifier (SSID) (WLAN) to which the wireless clients connects. In this example, create the SSID, and name it PEAP.

Define the Layer 2 Authentication as WPA2 so that the clients perform EAP-based authentication (PEAP-MS-CHAP v2 in this example) and use the advanced encryption standard (AES) as the encryption mechanism. Leave all other values at their defaults.

Note: This document binds the WLAN with the management interfaces. When you have multiple VLANs in your network, you can create a separate VLAN and bind it to the SSID. For information on how to configure VLANs on WLCs, refer to VLANs on Wireless LAN Controllers Configuration Example.

Complete these steps in order to configure a WLAN on the WLC:

1. Click **WLANs** from the controller interface in order to display the WLANs page. This page lists the WLANs that exist on the controller.
2. Choose **New** in order to create a new WLAN. Enter the WLAN ID and the WLAN SSID for the WLAN, and click **Apply**.



The screenshot shows the Cisco WLC configuration interface. The top navigation bar includes 'MONITOR', 'WLANs', 'CONTROLLER', 'WIRELESS', 'SECURITY', 'MANAGEMENT', 'COMMANDS', 'HELP', and 'FEEDBACK'. The 'WLANs' section is expanded, showing 'WLANs' and 'Advanced' options. The 'WLANs > New' form is displayed, with the following fields:

Type	WLAN
Profile Name	PEAP
SSID	PEAP
ID	1

Buttons for '< Back' and 'Apply' are visible at the top right of the form.

3. To configure the SSID for 802.1x, complete these steps:
 1. Click the **General** tab and enable the WLAN.

WLANs > Edit 'PEAP' < Back Apply

General **Security** **QoS** **Advanced**

Profile Name: PEAP
 Type: WLAN
 SSID: PEAP
 Status: Enabled

Security Policies: [WPA2][Auth(802.1X)]
 (Modifications done under security tab will appear after applying the changes.)

Radio Policy: All
 Interface/Interface Group(G): management
 Multicast Vlan Feature: Enabled
 Broadcast SSID: Enabled
 NAS-ID: 2504

2. Click the **Security > Layer 2** tabs, set Layer 2 security to **WPA + WPA2**, check the WPA+WPA2 Parameters (for example, WPA2 AES) check boxes as needed, and click **802.1x** as the Authentication Key Management.

WLANs > Edit 'PEAP' < Back Apply

General **Security** **QoS** **Advanced**

Layer 2 **Layer 3** **AAA Servers**

Layer 2 Security: WPA+WPA2
 MAC Filtering:

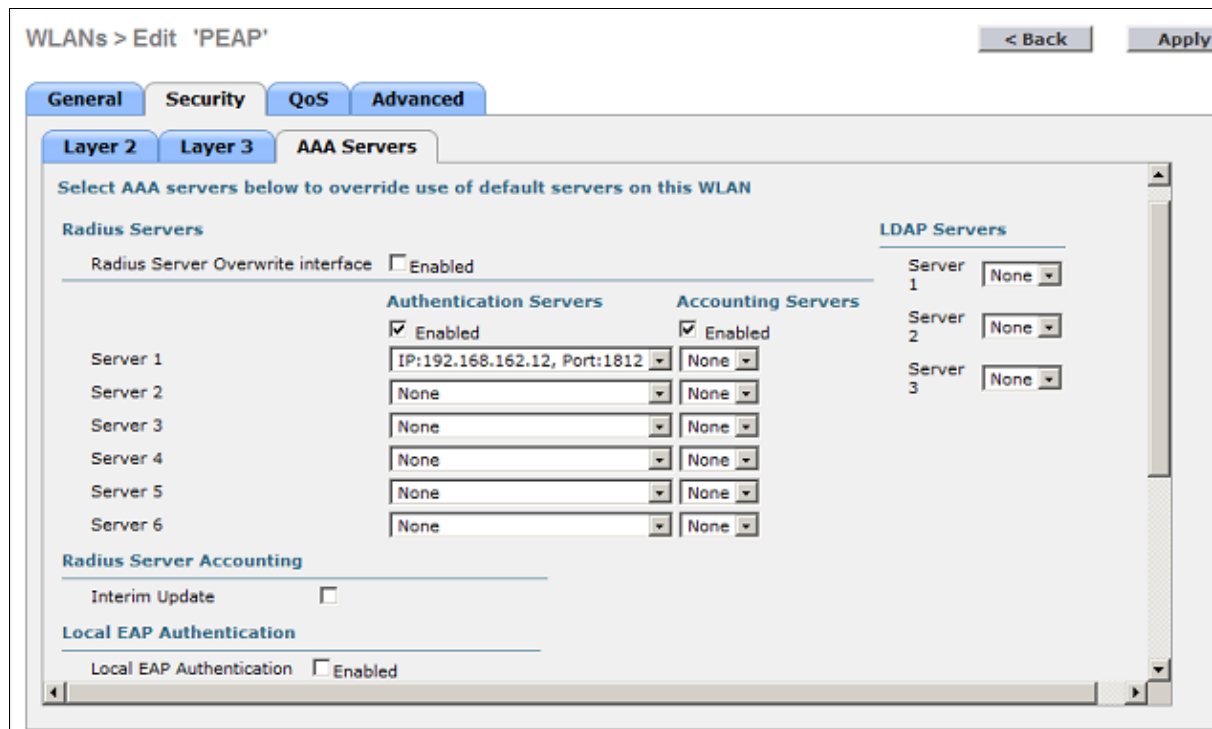
Fast Transition
 Fast Transition:

Protected Management Frame
 PMF: Disabled

WPA+WPA2 Parameters
 WPA Policy:
 WPA2 Policy:
 WPA2 Encryption: AES TKIP

Authentication Key Management
 802.1X: Enable
 CCKM: Enable
 PSK: Enable
 FT 802.1X: Enable

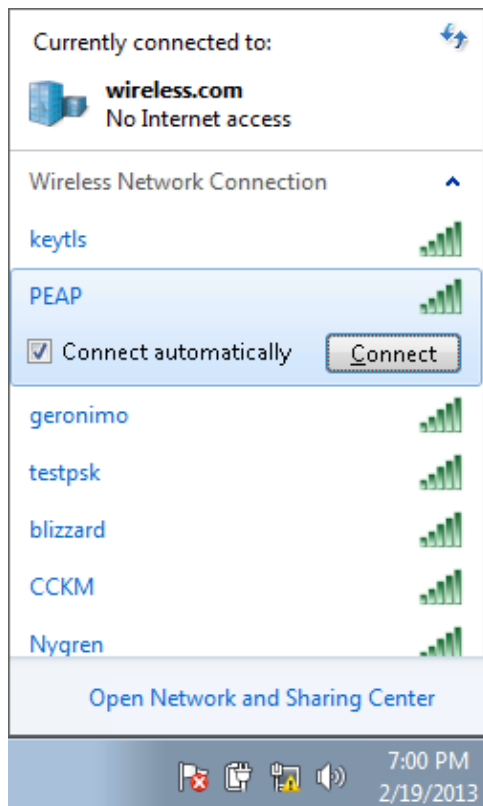
3. Click the **Security > AAA Servers** tabs, choose the IP address of the NPS from the **Server 1** drop-down list, and click **Apply**.



Configure the Wireless Clients for PEAP-MS-CHAP v2 Authentication

Complete these steps to configure the wireless client with the Windows Zero Config Tool to connect to the PEAP WLAN.

1. Click the *Network* icon in the task bar. Click the *PEAP* SSID, and click *Connect*.



2. The client should now be connected to the network.



3. If the connection fails, try to reconnect to the WLAN. If the issue persists, refer to the Troubleshoot section.

Verify

There is currently no verification procedure available for this configuration.

Troubleshoot

If your client did not connect to the WLAN, this section provides information you can use to troubleshoot the configuration.

There are two tools that can be used to diagnose 802.1x authentication failures: the *debug client* command and the *Event Viewer* in Windows.

Performing a client debug from the WLC is not resource intensive and does not impact service. To start a debug session, open the command-line interface (CLI) of the WLC, and enter *debug client mac address*, where the mac address is the wireless mac address of the wireless client that is unable to connect. While this debug runs, try to connect the client; there should be output on the CLI of the WLC that looks similar to this example:

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*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.812: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db 192.168.162.136 RRM [20] Changing IPsec ACL 'none' (ACL ID 255) ==> 'none' (ACL ID 255) --- (caller apf_policy.c:2016)
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.812: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db 192.168.162.136 RRM [20] Changing IPsec ACL 'none' (ACL ID 255) ==> 'none' (ACL ID 255) --- (caller apf_policy.c:2246)
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db In processSsidIE:4203 acting Central switched to TRUE
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db In processSsidIE:4203 apVapId = 1 and Split Acl Id = 63330
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.812: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Applying all-specific Local Bridging override for station 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db - vapId 1, site 'default-group', interface 'management'
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.812: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Applying Local Bridging Interface Policy for station 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db - vlan 242, interface id 3, interface 'management'
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db processSsidIE statusCode is 0 and status is 0
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.812: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db processSsidIE hold_done flag is 0 finish_flag is 0
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.812: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db STA - rates [8]: 139 132 139 139 136 48 72 108 12 18 24 36 0 0 0
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.812: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db STA - rates [12]: 130 132 139 139 136 48 72 108 12 18 24 36 0 0 0
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.812: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db extSigsRates statusCode is 0 and getExtSigsRateElement is 1
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Processing RSN IE type 48, length 20 for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received RSN IE with 0 PMKIDs from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Found an cache entry for PMKID c8:f9:1a:20:40 in PMKID cache at index 0 of station 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Removing PMKID c8:f9:1a:20:40 from PMKID cache of station 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Reinserting MSB PMG Cache Entry 0 for station 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Setting archive key cache index 0 ---> 8
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db unsetting PmkIdValidatedByAp
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db apMnConnTaskDone
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db apMnConnTaskDone
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db 192.168.162.136 RRM [20] Change state to START (0) last state RRM [20]
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db pmkPfsAddMobileStation: APF_NO_PFN_WAIT_IF_AUTH_COMPLETE = 0.
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db 192.168.162.136 START (0) Initializing policy
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db 192.168.162.136 START (0) Change state to AUTHCHECK (2) last state START (0)
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db 192.168.162.136 AUTHCHECK (2) Change state to SSID_REQD (3) last state AUTHCHECK (2)
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db MSG Using RRM Compliance Code 000Cap 00
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db 192.168.162.136 SSID_REQD (3) Plumber mobile 12APF rule on AP c8:f9:1a:20:40 vapId 1 apVapId 1 flow-acl-name:
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db apPfsAddPeer2: apPfsAddPeer2 on AP c8:f9:1a:20:40 from Associated to Associated
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db apPfsAddPeer2: session timeout for station 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db - Session Tout 0, apMnTimeout '0' and sessionTimerRunning flag is 0
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Skipping selection of Mobile Station: (callerId: 48)
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Func: apPfsAddPeer2, No Timeout = 0, Session Timeout = 0
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending Assoc Response to station on SSID c8:f9:1a:20:40 (status 0) ApVapId 1 Slot 0
*apMnConnTask_2: Feb 19 20:57:07.813: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db apfProcessAssocReq (apf_00211.c:7391) Changing state for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db on AP c8:f9:1a:20:40 from Associated to Associated
*pmhReplvTask: Feb 19 20:57:07.817: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db 192.168.162.136 Removed WPS entry.
*dot1xMsgTask: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Disable re-auth, use PMK lifetime.
*dot1xMsgTask: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db dot1x - moving mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db into Connecting state
*dot1xMsgTask: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending EAP-Request/Identity to mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db (EAP Id 1)
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL START from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db dot1x - moving mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db into Connecting state
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending EAP-Request/Identity to mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db (EAP Id 2)
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL EAPREQ from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received Identity Response (count=2) from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL Response packet with mismatching id (current=0, eapId=1) from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL EAPREQ from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received Identity Response (count=3) from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db EAP State update from Connecting to Authenticating for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db dot1x - moving mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db into Authenticating state
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db dot1x - moving mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db into Authenticating state
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Response state for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Processing Access-Reject for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Removing PMK cache due to EAP-Failure for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db (EAP Id -1)
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 20:57:07.820: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending EAP-Failure to mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db (EAP Id -1)
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This is an example of an issue that could occur with a misconfiguration. Here, the WLC debug shows the WLC has moved into the authenticating state, which means the WLC is waiting for a response from the NPS. This is usually due to an incorrect shared secret on either the WLC or the NPS. You can confirm this via the Windows Server Event Viewer. If you do not find a log, the request never made it to the NPS.

Another example that is found from the WLC debug is an access-reject. An access-reject from shows that the NPS received and rejected the client credentials. This is an example of a client receiving an access-reject:

```
*dot1xMsgTask: Feb 19 21:28:20.689: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending EAP-Request/Identity to mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db (EAP Id 1)
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 21:28:20.699: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL START from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 21:28:20.699: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db dot1x - moving mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db into Connecting state
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 21:28:20.699: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending EAP-Request/Identity to mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db (EAP Id 2)
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 21:28:24.508: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL EAPREQ from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 21:28:24.508: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received Identity Response (count=2) from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 21:28:24.508: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db EAP State update from Connecting to Authenticating for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 21:28:24.508: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db dot1x - moving mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db into Authenticating state
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 21:28:24.508: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Response state for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 21:28:24.519: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Processing Access-Reject for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 21:28:24.520: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Removing PMK cache due to EAP-Failure for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db (EAP Id -1)
*Dot1x_NW_MsgTask_3: Feb 19 21:28:24.520: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending EAP-Failure to mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db (EAP Id -1)
```

When you see an access-reject, check the logs on the Windows Server Event logs to determine why the NPS responded to the client with an access-reject.

A successful authentication has an access-accept in the client debug, as seen in this example:

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*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.576: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending EAP-Request/Identity to mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 1]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.596: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL START from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.596: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db dot1x - moving mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db into Connecting state
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.596: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending EAP-Request/Identity to mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 2]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.601: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL EAPFRMT from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.601: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAP Response packet with mismatching id (currentid=2, eapid=1) from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.611: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL EAPFRMT from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.611: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received Identity Response (count=2) from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.611: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db EAP State update from Connecting to Authenticating for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.611: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db dot1x - moving mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db into Authenticating state
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.611: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Response state for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.643: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Processing Access-Challenge for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.643: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Req state (id=3) for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.643: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending EAP Request from AAA to mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 3]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.674: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL EAPFRMT from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.661: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAP Response from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 3, EAP Type 25]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.661: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Response state for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.665: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Processing Access-Challenge for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.665: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Req state (id=4) for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.665: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending EAP Request from AAA to mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 4]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.674: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL EAPFRMT from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.674: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAP Response from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 4, EAP Type 25]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.674: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Response state for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.685: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Processing Access-Challenge for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.685: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Req state (id=7) for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.685: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db WARNING: updated EAP-Identifier 4 ==> 7 for STA 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.685: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending EAP Request from AAA to mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 7]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.706: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL EAPFRMT from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.706: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAP Response from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 7, EAP Type 25]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.706: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Response state for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.709: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Processing Access-Challenge for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.709: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Req state (id=9) for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.709: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending EAP Request from AAA to mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 8]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.721: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL EAPFRMT from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.721: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAP Response from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 8, EAP Type 25]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.721: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Response state for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.726: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Processing Access-Challenge for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.726: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Req state (id=9) for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.726: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending EAP Request from AAA to mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 9]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.738: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL EAPFRMT from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.738: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAP Response from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 9, EAP Type 25]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.738: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Response state for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.745: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Processing Access-Challenge for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.746: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Req state (id=10) for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.746: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending EAP Request from AAA to mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 10]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.752: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL EAPFRMT from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.752: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAP Response from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 10, EAP Type 25]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.752: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Response state for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.758: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Processing Access-Challenge for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.758: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Req state (id=11) for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.758: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Sending EAP Request from AAA to mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 11]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.770: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAPOL EAPFRMT from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.770: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Received EAP Response from mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db [EAP Id 11, EAP Type 25]
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.770: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Entering Backend Auth Response state for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db
*Dot1X_MagTask_3: Feb 19 21:33:14.781: 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db Processing Access-Accept for mobile 78:e4:00:b2:ef:db

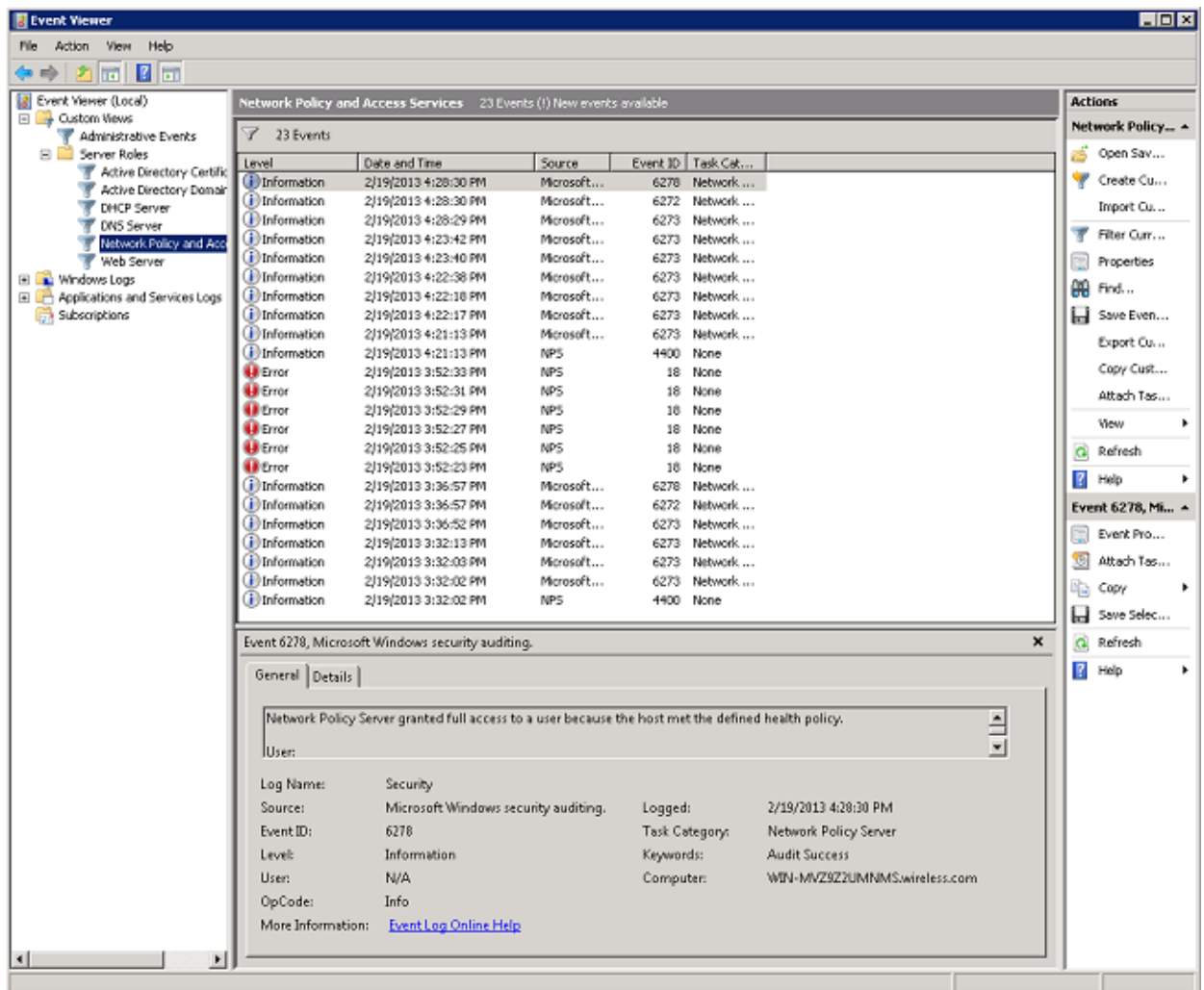
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Troubleshooting access–rejects and response timeouts requires access to the RADIUS server. The WLC acts as an authenticator that passes EAP messages between the client and the RADIUS server. A RADIUS server responding with an access–reject or response timeout should be examined and diagnosed by the manufacturer of the RADIUS service.

Note: TAC does not provide technical support for third–party RADIUS servers; however, the logs on the RADIUS server generally explain why a client request was rejected or ignored.

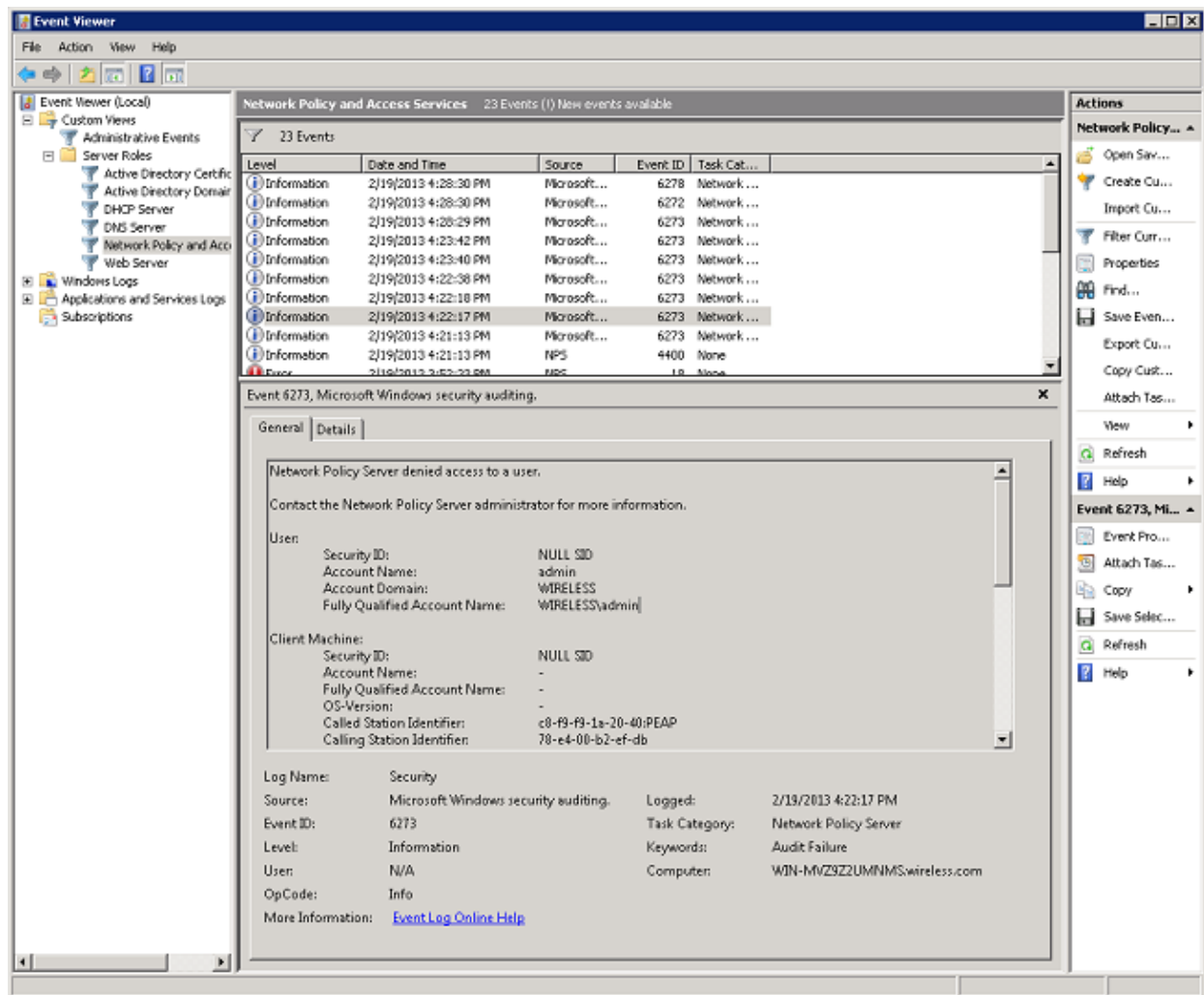
In order to troubleshoot access–rejects and response timeouts from the NPS, examine the NPS logs in the Windows Event Viewer on the server.

1. Click **Start > Administrator Tools > Event Viewer** to start the Event Viewer and review the NPS logs.
2. Expand **Custom Views > Server Roles > Network Policy and Access**.



In this section of the Event View, there are logs of passed and failed authentications. Examine these logs to troubleshoot why a client is not passing authentication. Both passed and failed authentications show up as Informational. Scroll through the logs to find the username that has failed authentication and received an access-reject according to the WLC debugs.

This is an example of the NPS denying a user access:



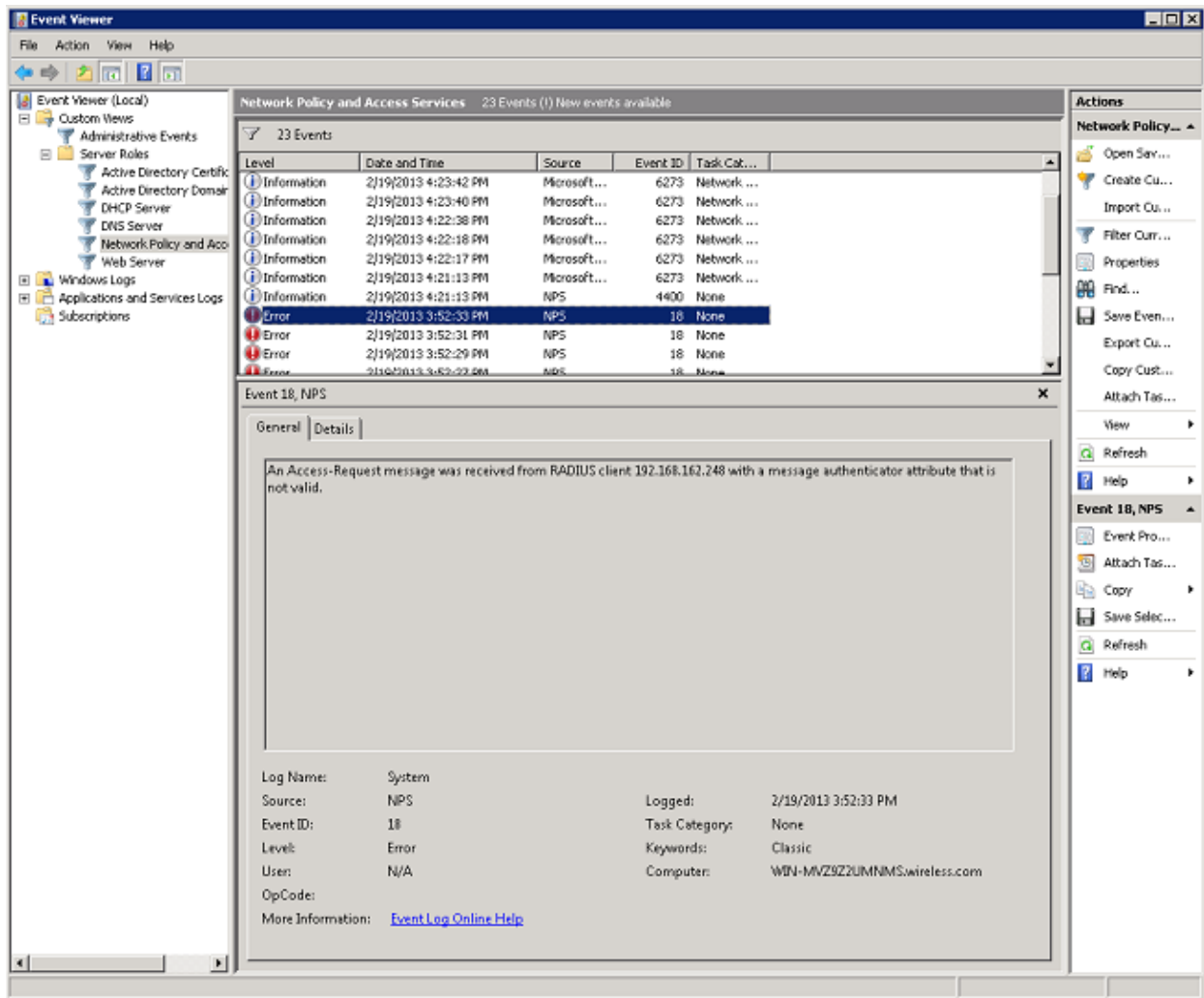
When reviewing a deny statement in the Event Viewer, examine the Authentication Details section. In this example, you can see that the NPS denied the user access due to an incorrect username:

Authentication Details:

Proxy Policy Name:	Use Windows authentication for all users
Network Policy Name:	-
Authentication Provider:	Windows
Authentication Server:	WIN-MVZ9Z2UMNMS.wireless.com
Authentication Type:	EAP
EAP Type:	-
Account Session Identifier:	-
Reason Code:	8
Reason:	The specified user account does not exist.

The Event View on the NPS also assists with troubleshooting if the WLC does not receive a response back from the NPS. This is usually caused by an incorrect shared secret between the NPS and the WLC.

In this example, the NPS discards the request from the WLC due to an incorrect shared secret:



Related Information

- *Technical Support & Documentation – Cisco Systems*