



# Getting Started with HashiCorp Consul

## Objective 9 - Lab Guide

1. Generate a new gossip encryption key
  - a. `$ consul keygen`
2. Modify the Consul agent configuration file to add encryption to an existing cluster
  - a. `$ sudo vi /etc/consul.d/config.hcl`
  - b. Add the following parameters:
    - i. `"encrypt": "<gossip key>",`
    - ii. `"encrypt_verify_incoming": false,`
    - iii. `"encrypt_verify_outgoing": false,`
3. Add the same configuration to the second Consul server
4. Restart the Consul service on both servers
  - a. `$ sudo systemctl restart consul`
5. Validate that gossip encryption is NOT enabled by viewing the journal logs
  - a. `journalctl -u consul`
6. Modify the Consul agent configuration file to change the "encrypt\_verify\_outgoing" parameter to true on both servers
  - a. `$ sudo vi /etc/consul.d/config.hcl`
  - b. Change the following parameter:
    - i. `"encrypt_verify_outgoing": true,`
7. Restart the Consul service on both servers
  - a. `$ sudo systemctl restart consul`

8. Modify the Consul agent configuration file to change the "encrypt\_verify\_incoming" parameter to true on both servers
  - a. `$ sudo vi /etc/consul.d/config.hcl`
  - b. Change the following parameter:
    - i. "encrypt\_verify\_incoming": true,
9. Restart the Consul service on both servers
  - a. `$ sudo systemctl restart consul`
10. Validate that gossip encryption is enabled by viewing the journal logs
  - a. `journalctl -u consul`