**Ubuntu Template MOP**

1. **Update packages**

sudo apt update

sudo apt dist-upgrade

1. **Install cloud init**

sudo apt install cloud-int

1. **Remove the ssh host keys**

cd /etc/ssh

sudo rm ssh\_host\_\*

1. **Delete the machine id if it exists**

sudo truncate -s 0 /etc/machine-id

Command should return nothing: cat /etc/machine-id

1. **Confirm machine id link is just a link**

ls –l /var/lib/dbus/machine-id

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1. **If it is not a link, then create the link**

sudo ln –s /etc/machine-id /var/lib/dbus/machine-id

1. **Clean image before turning into template**

sudo apt clean

sudo apt autoremove

1. **Revert state of cloud-init to first boot so it will create SSH host keys**

sudo cloud-init clean

1. **Shutdown VM**

sudo poweroff

1. **Convert to template**

Right click the VM and select Convert to Template

1. **Remove ISO drive that initial VM was installed with**

Hardware -> CD/DVD Drve (ISO file) -> Edit -> Don not use any media

1. **Add cloud init drive**

Hardware -> Add -> CloudInit Drvie -> Storage (main disk)

1. **Set Cloud-init username and password**

Cloud-init -> User -> Password

1. **Set cloud init to use DHCP so IP addresses will be automatically assigned**

Ubuntu template -> Cloud-Init -> IP Config (double click) -> DHCP