## Initialize the ONTAP Mediator

ONTAP System Manager

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You must initialize Mediator on one of your cluster peers before SM-BC can perform planned and automatic unplanned failover operations.

#### About this task

You can initialize Mediator from either cluster. When you issue the mediator add command on one cluster, Mediator is automatically added on the other cluster.

#### Steps

1. Initialize Mediator on one of the clusters:

```
snapmirror mediator add -mediator-address IP_Address -peer-cluster cluster_name -username
user_name
```

### Example

```
cluster1::> snapmirror mediator add -mediator-address 192.168.10.1 -peer-cluster
cluster2 -username mediatoradmin
Notice: Enter the mediator password.

Enter the password: *****
Enter the password again: ******
```

2. Check the status of the Mediator configuration:

#### snapmirror mediator show

```
Mediator Address Peer Cluster Connection Status Quorum Status

192.168.10.1 cluster-2 connected true
```

-quorum-status indicates whether the SnapMirror consistency group relationships are synchronized with Mediator.

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