

Configure Anyconnect PerApp VPN for iOS with Meraki System Manager

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Introduction

This document describes how to configure PerApp VPN on Apple iOS devices managed by Meraki Mobile Device Manager (MDM), System Manager (SM).

Prerequisites

Requirements

- AnyConnect v4.0 Plus or Apex license.
- ASA 9.3.1 or later to support Per App VPN.
- Cisco Enterprise Application Selector tool available on Cisco.com

Components Used

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

- ASA 5506W-X version 9.15(1)10
- iPad iOS version 15.1

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, ensure that you understand the potential impact of any command.

Background Information

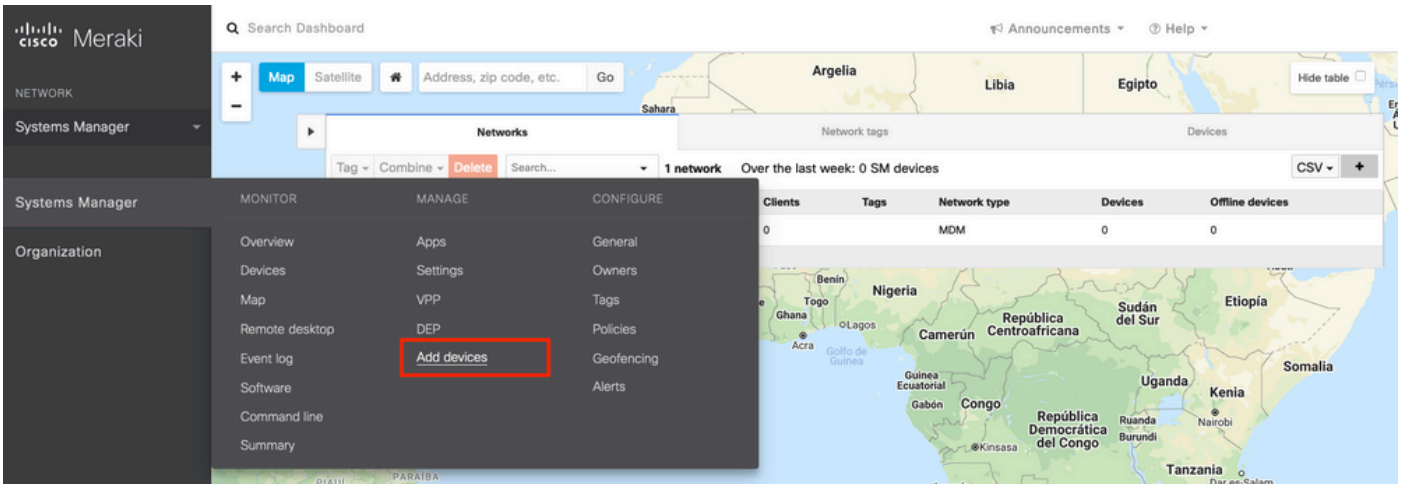
This document does not include the listed processes:

- SCEP CA Configuration on Systems Manager for client certificate generation
- PKCS12 client certificate generation for the iOS clients

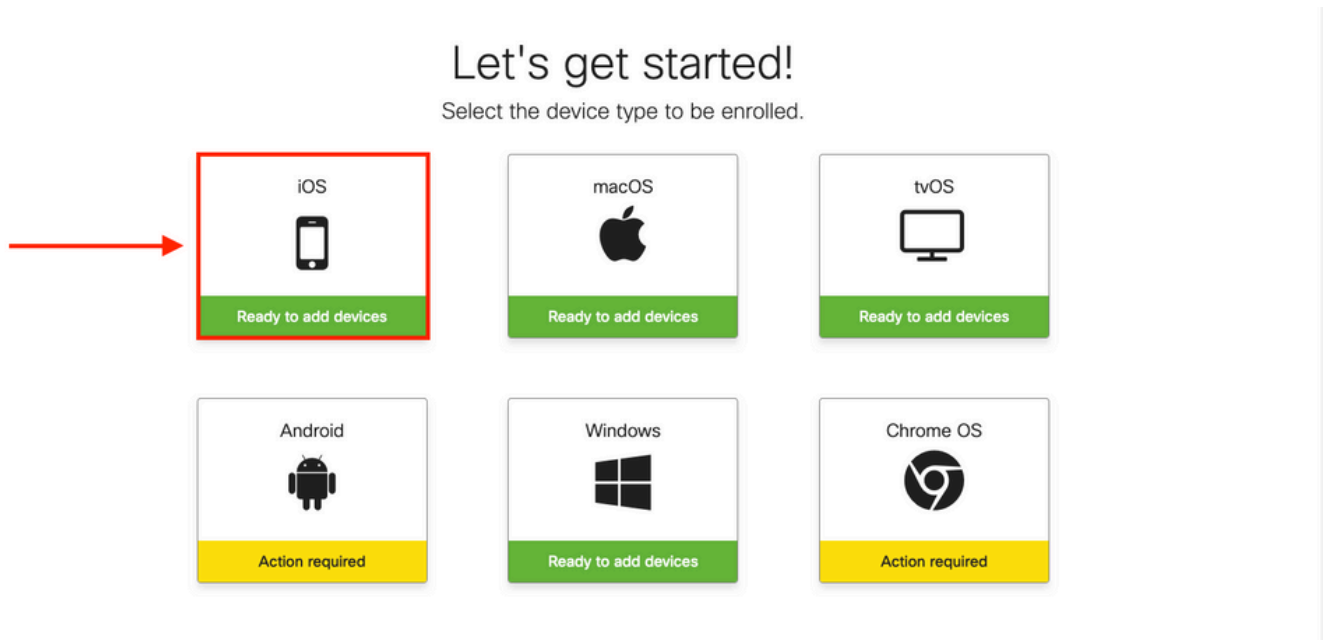
Configure

Step 1. Register iOS Device to Meraki Systems Manager

1.1. Navigate to **Systems Manager > Add Devices**



1.2. Click on the **iOS** option to start the enrollment.



1.3. Enroll the device via internet browser or scan the QR code with the camera. In this document, the camera was used for the enrollment process.

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APNS*
(required)

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Add Devices

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Time to add some devices! There are a few different enrollment options for iOS - for more information, see [this article](#).

A Mobile Browser

Open m.meraki.com on the device and enter this network ID :

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OR

Set up a [network enrollment string](#) to use as an enrollment code at m.meraki.com

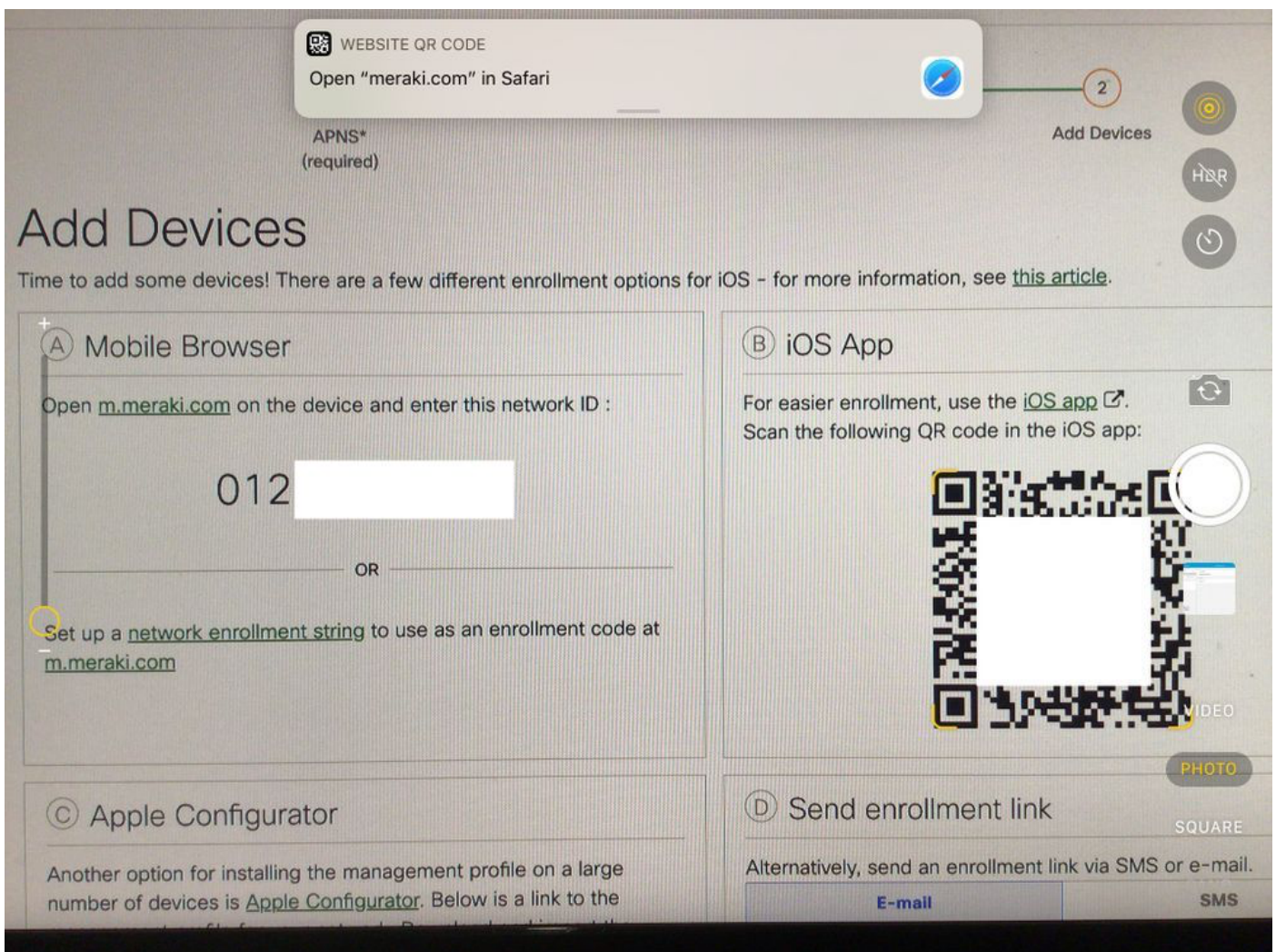
B iOS App

For easier enrollment, use the [iOS app](#).

Scan the following QR code in the iOS app:



1.4. When the QR code is recognized by the camera, select the **Open "meraki.com"** in Safari notification that pops up.



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C Apple Configurator

Another option for installing the management profile on a large number of devices is [Apple Configurator](#). Below is a link to the [Apple Configurator](#) page.

D Send enrollment link

Alternatively, send an enrollment link via SMS or e-mail.

E-mail SMS

1.5. When prompted, select **Register**.

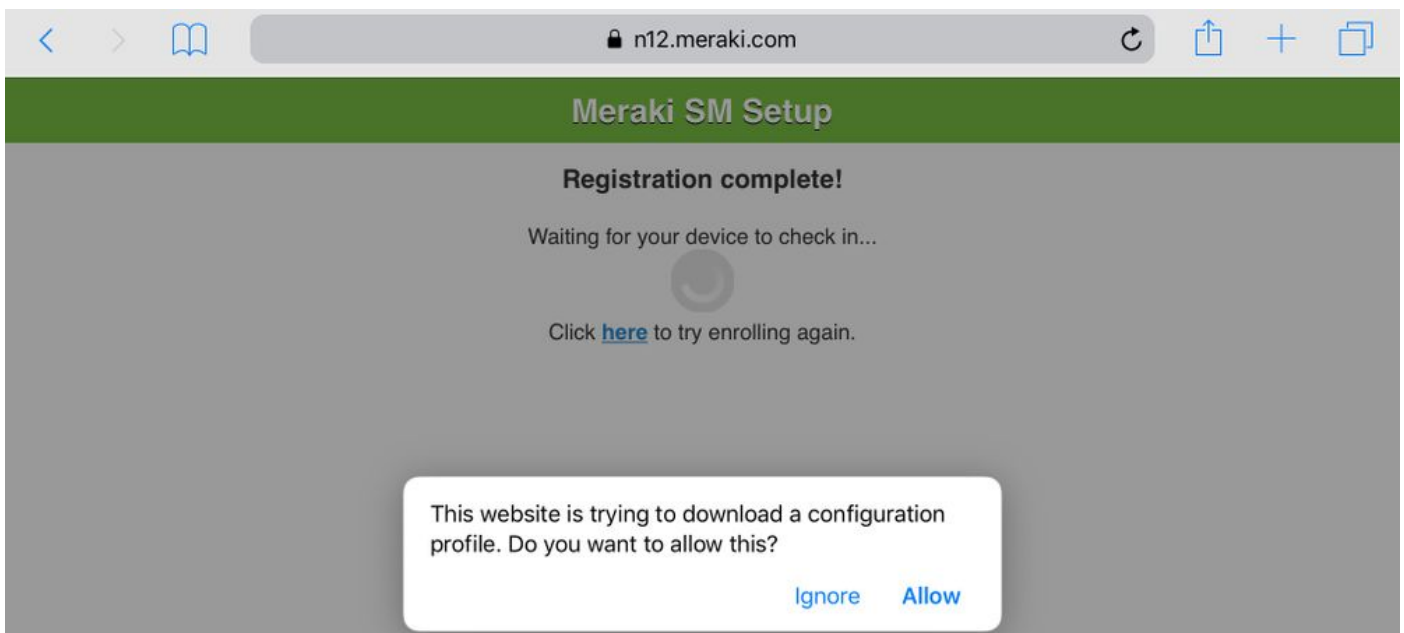


Step 1: Enter your Network ID

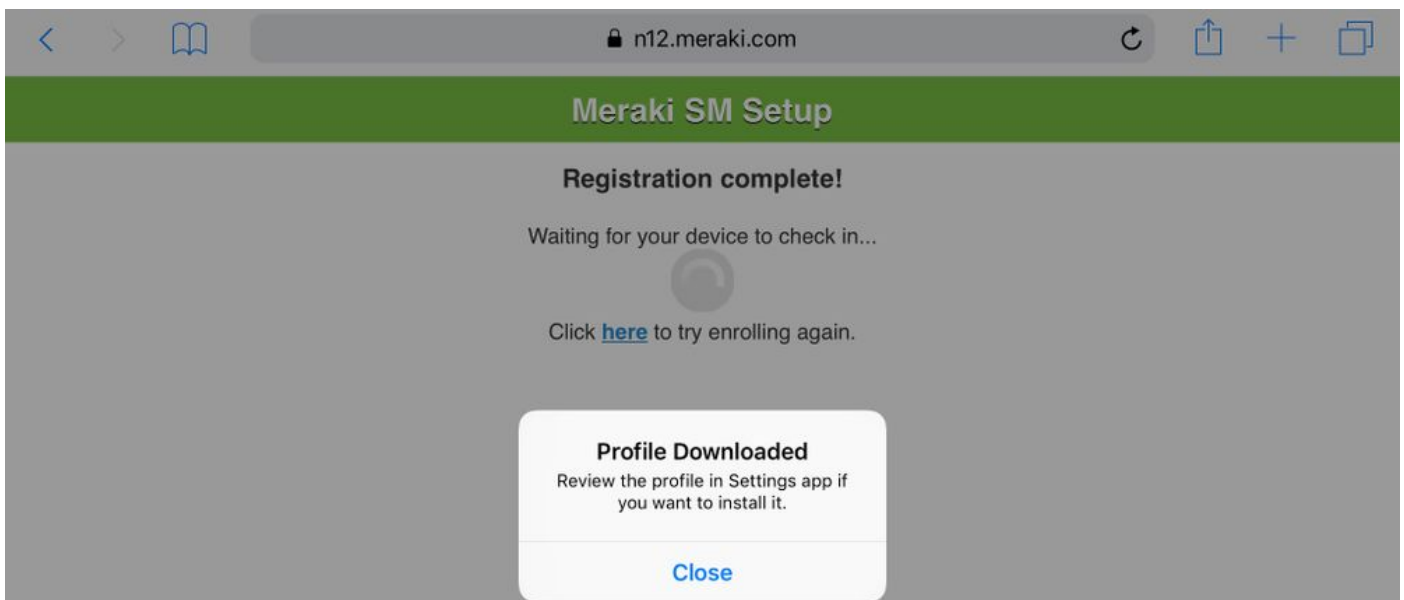
The Network ID is either a 10-digit code or a combination of letters, numbers, or characters (e.g. [123-456-7890](#) or network-id).

By installing Systems Manager on your device you acknowledge that you have read and understood the terms of our [Privacy Policy](#).

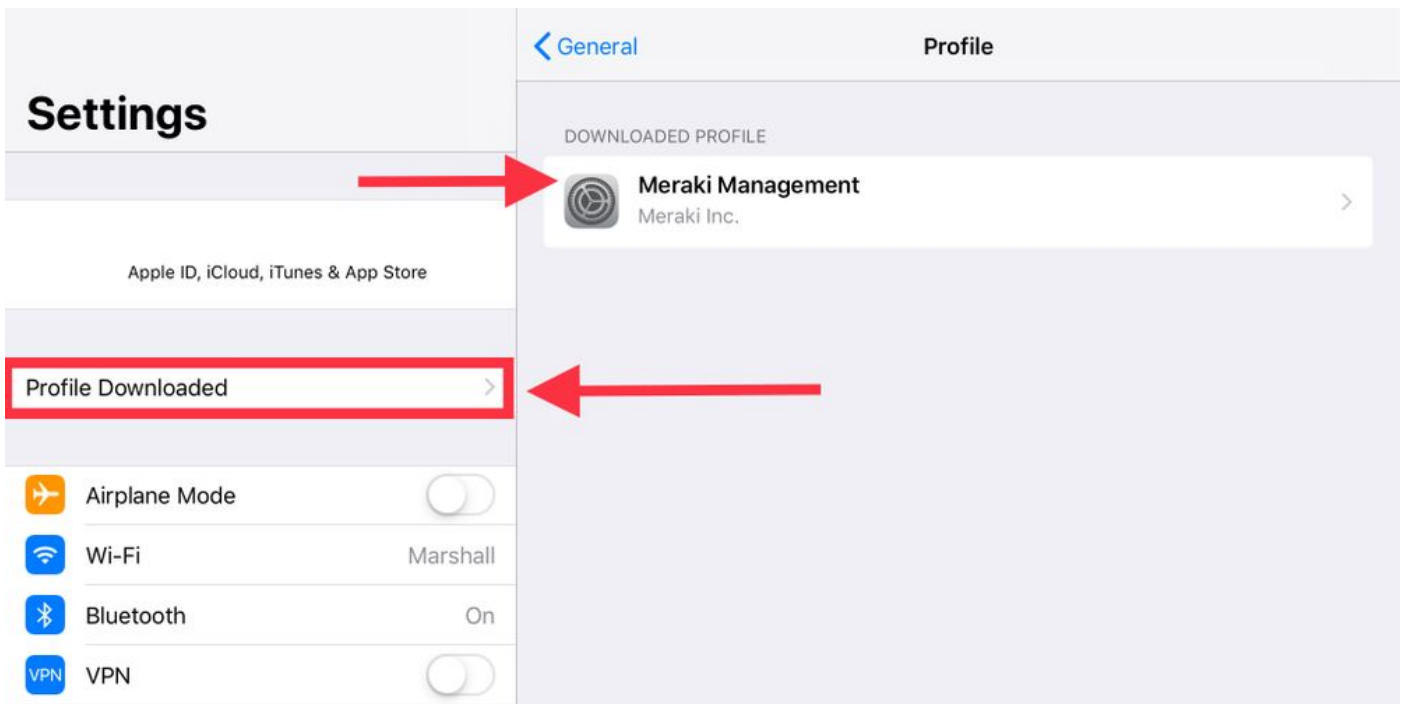
1.6. Select **Allow** in order to allow the device to download the MDM profile.



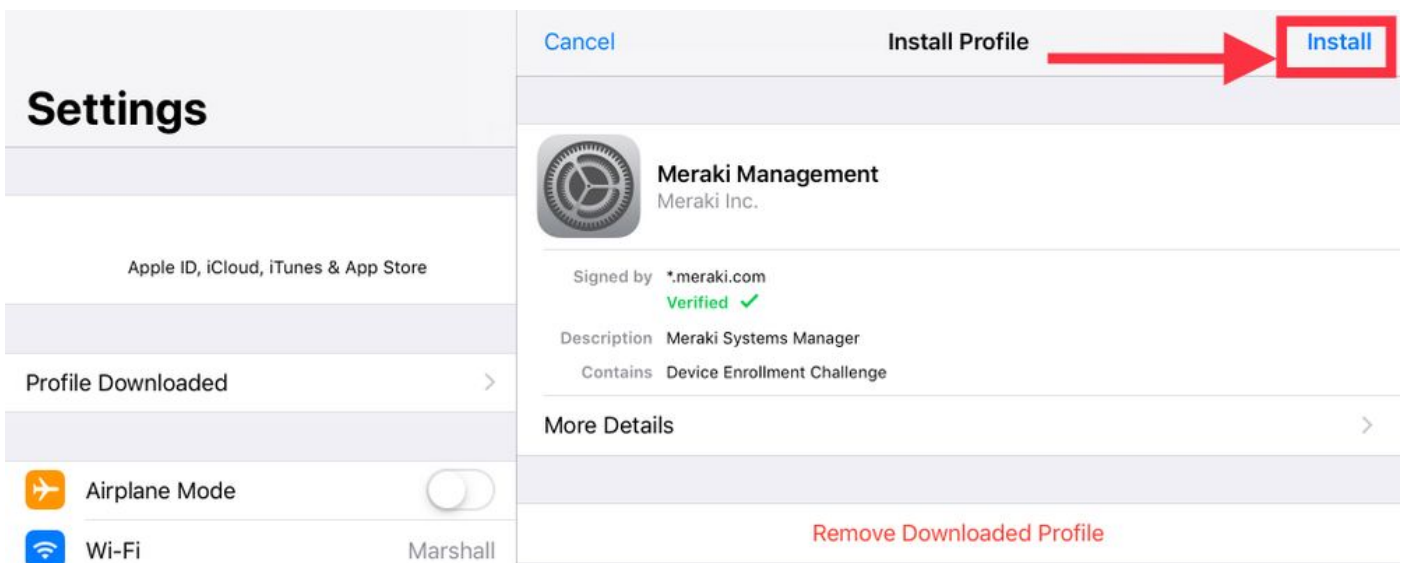
1.7. Select **Close** to complete the download.



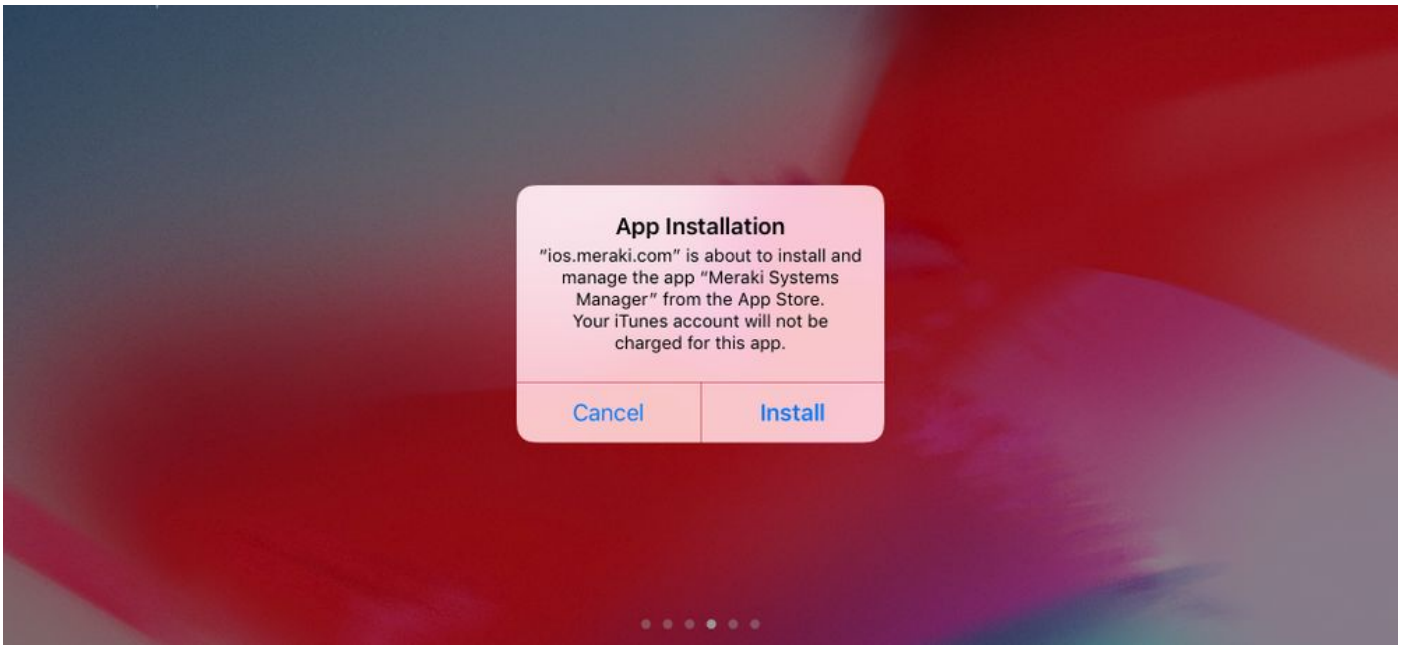
1.8. Navigate to the iOS Settings App and locate the **Profile Downloaded** option in the left pane and select the **Meraki Management** section.



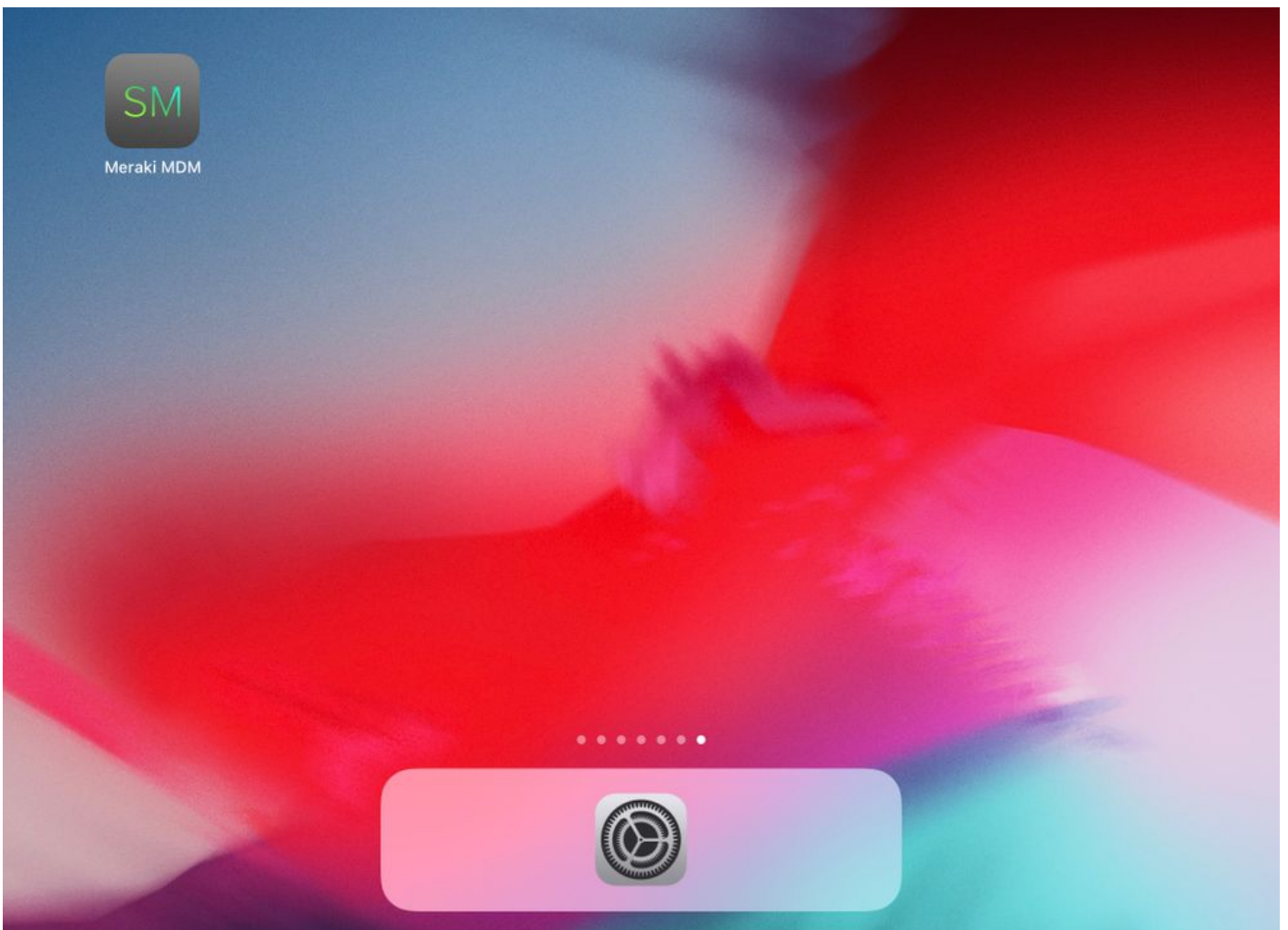
1.9. Select the **Install** option to install the MDM profile.



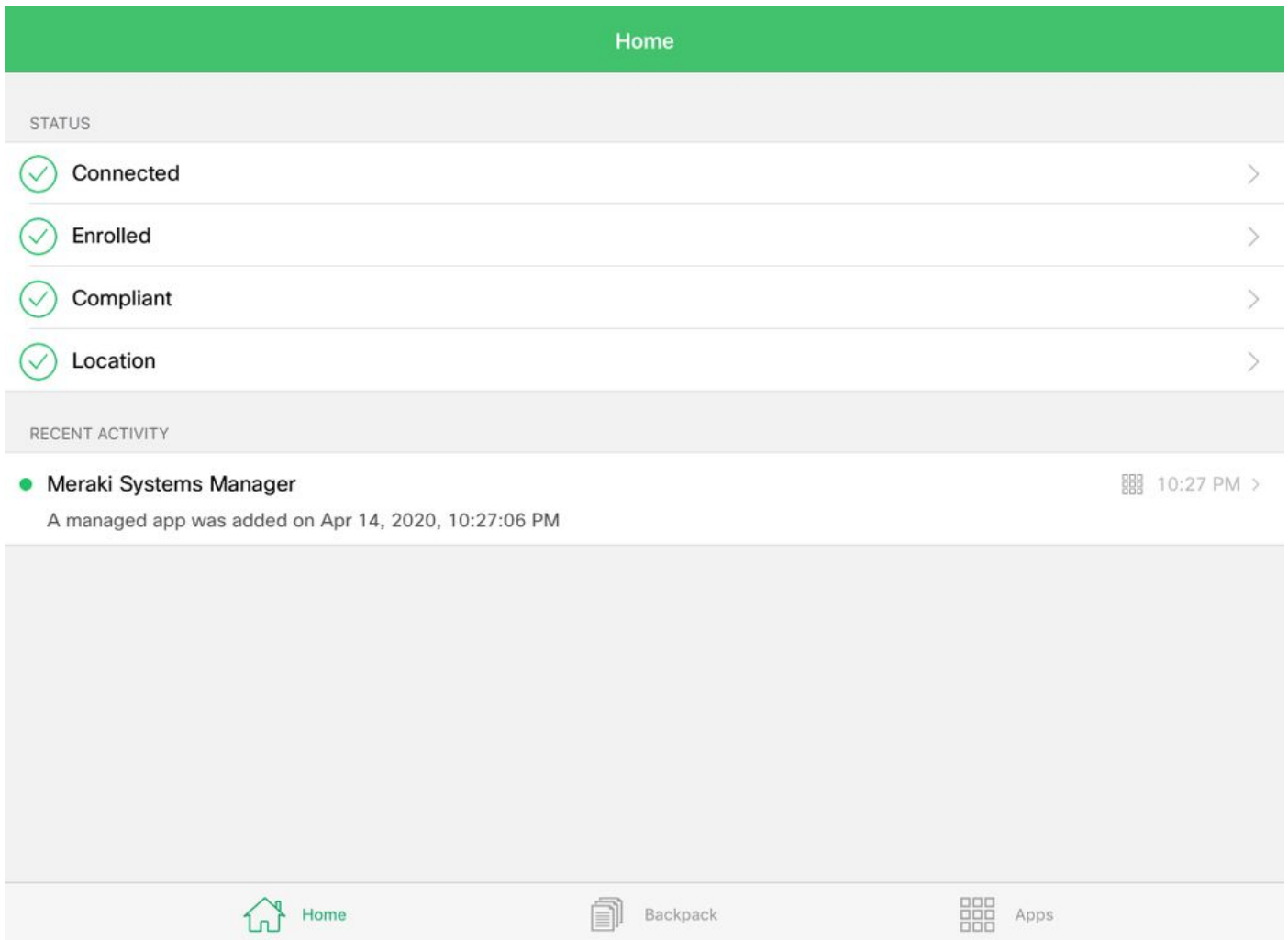
1.10. You must grant the access to **Install** the SM application.



1.11. Open the recently downloaded application called **Meraki MDM** located in the home screen.



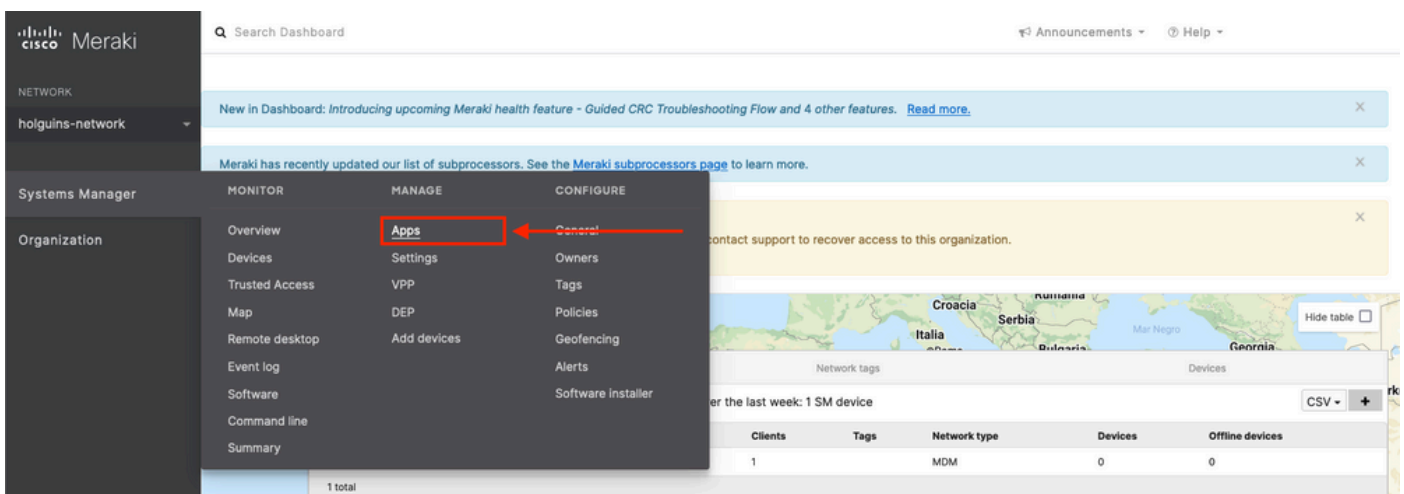
1.12. Verify all the statuses have a green tick that confirms the enrollment is in complete.



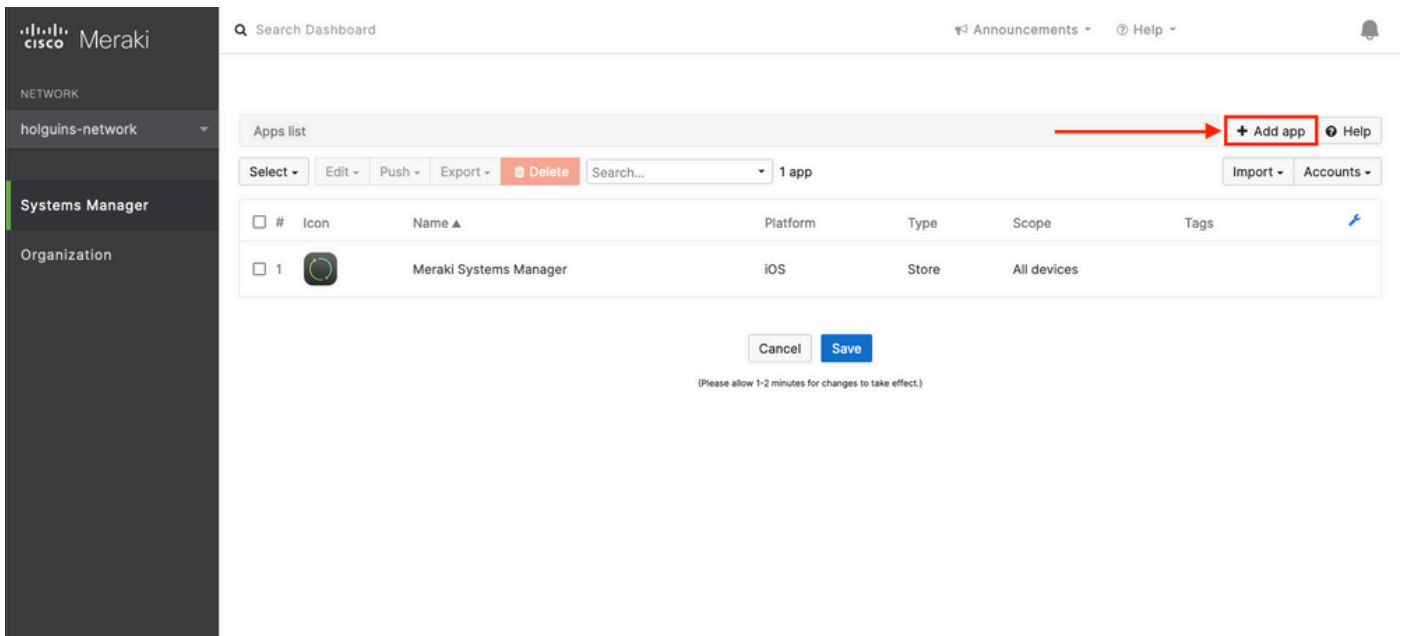
Step 2. Setup Managed Apps

In order to setup the Tunneled Apps for PerApp later in this document, you need to manage those same applications via SM. In this configuration example, Firefox is intended to be tunneled via Per App, hence it is added to the managed Apps.

2.1. Navigate to **Systems Manager > Manage > Apps** in order to add the managed apps.

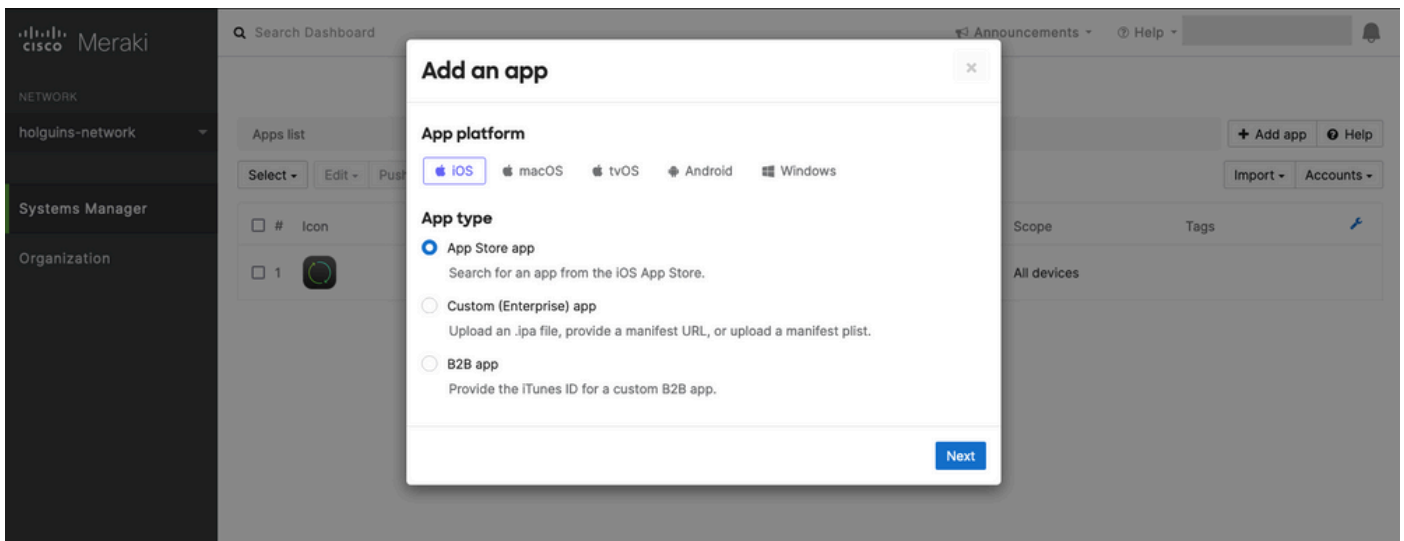


2.2. Select the **Add app** option.



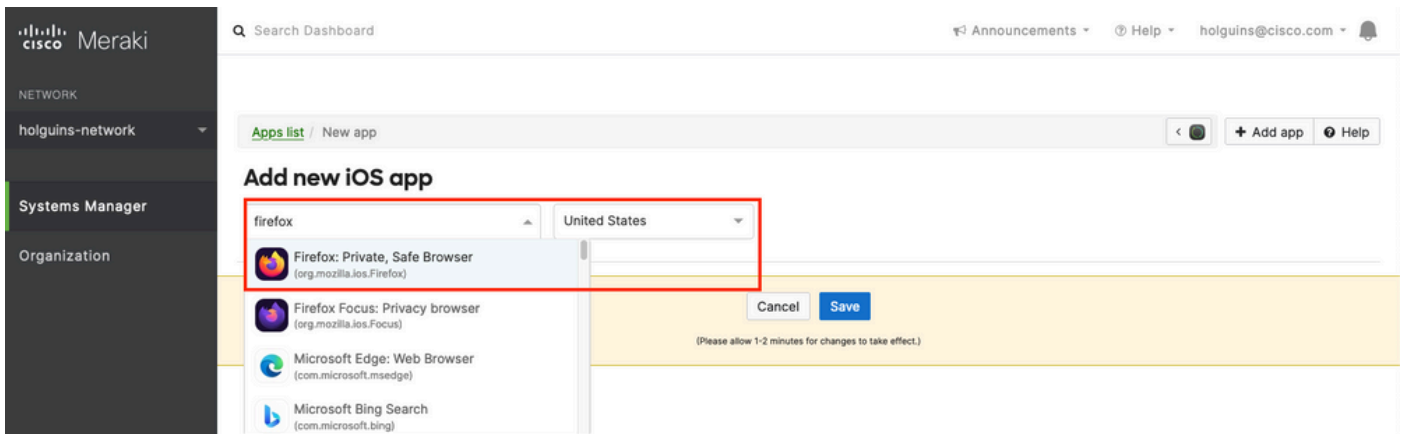
2.3. Select the type of application (App Store app, Custom, B2B) based on where the app is stored. Select **Next** once it is selected.

In this example the app is stored publicly in the App Store.



2.4. When prompted, search for the desired application and select the region from where the application is downloaded from. Select **Save** once the app is selected.

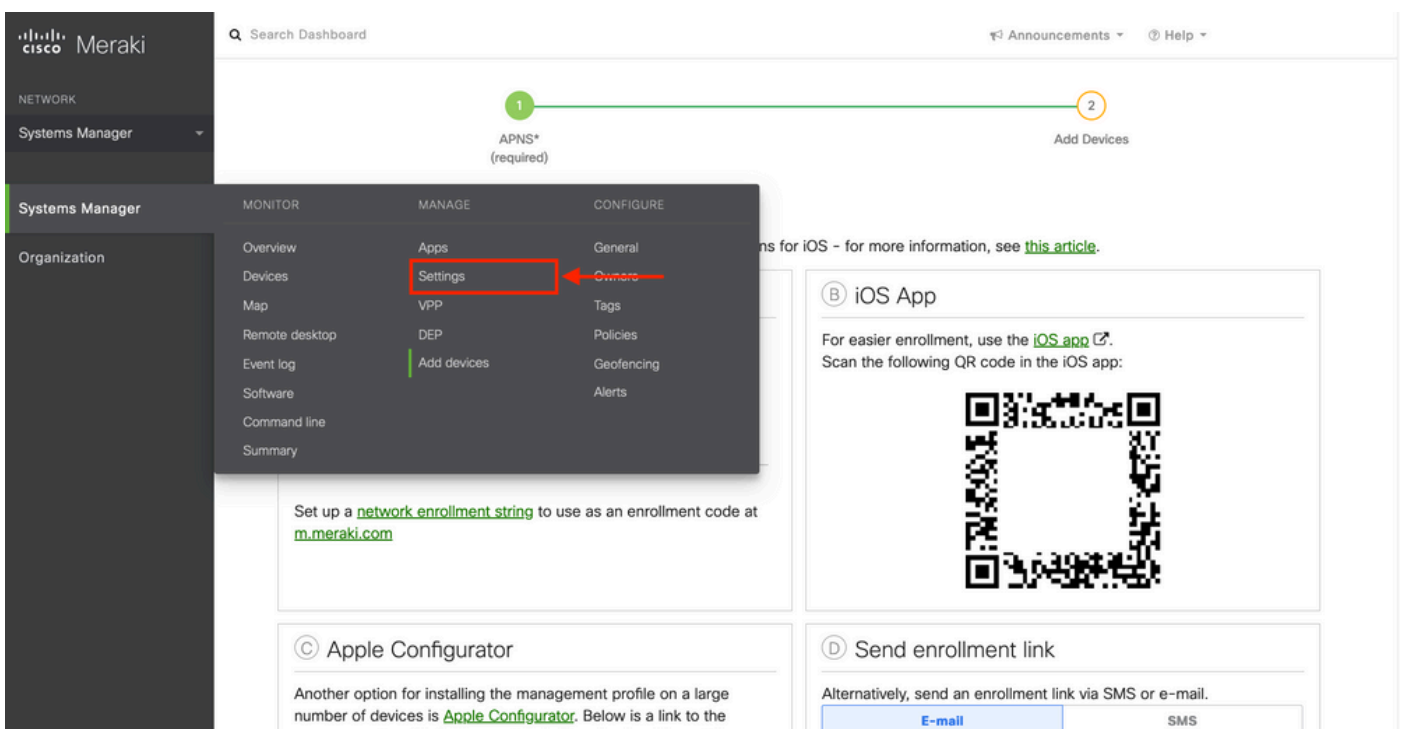
Note: If the country does not match the Apple account's region, the user may experience problems with the application.



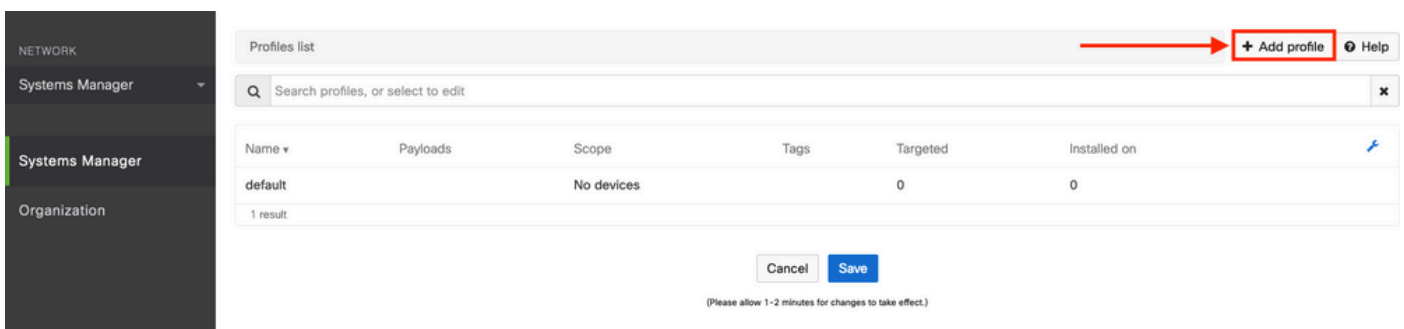
2.5. Click **Save** once you select all the desired applications.

Step 3. Configure PerApp VPN profile

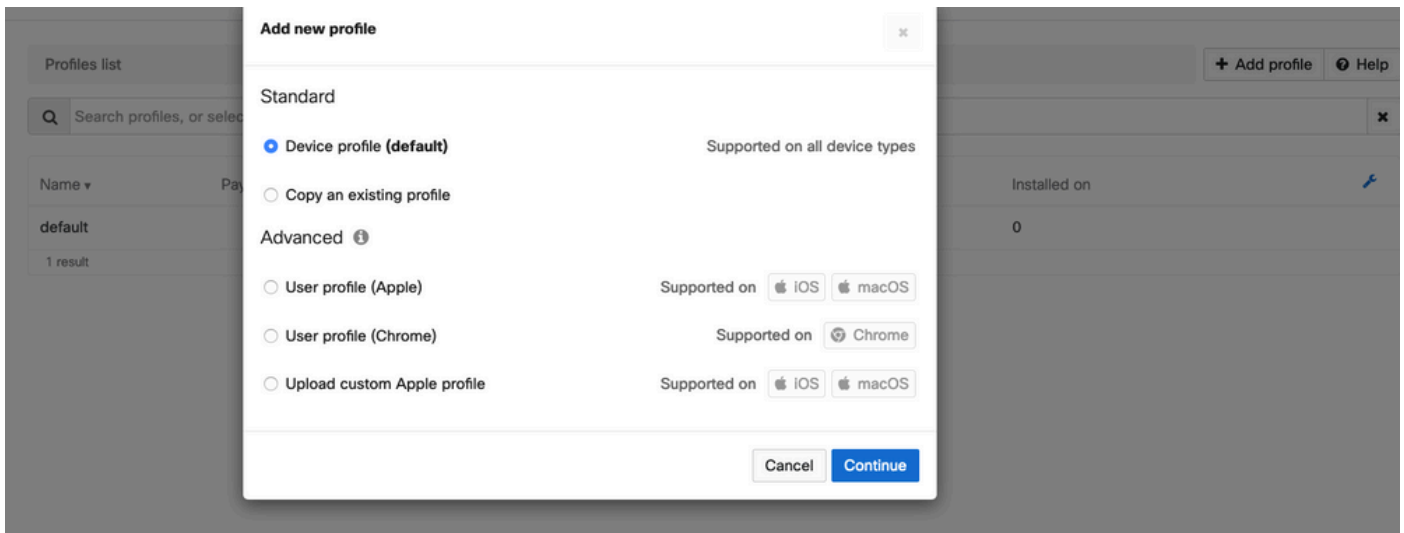
3.1. Navigate to **Systems Manager > Manage > Settings**



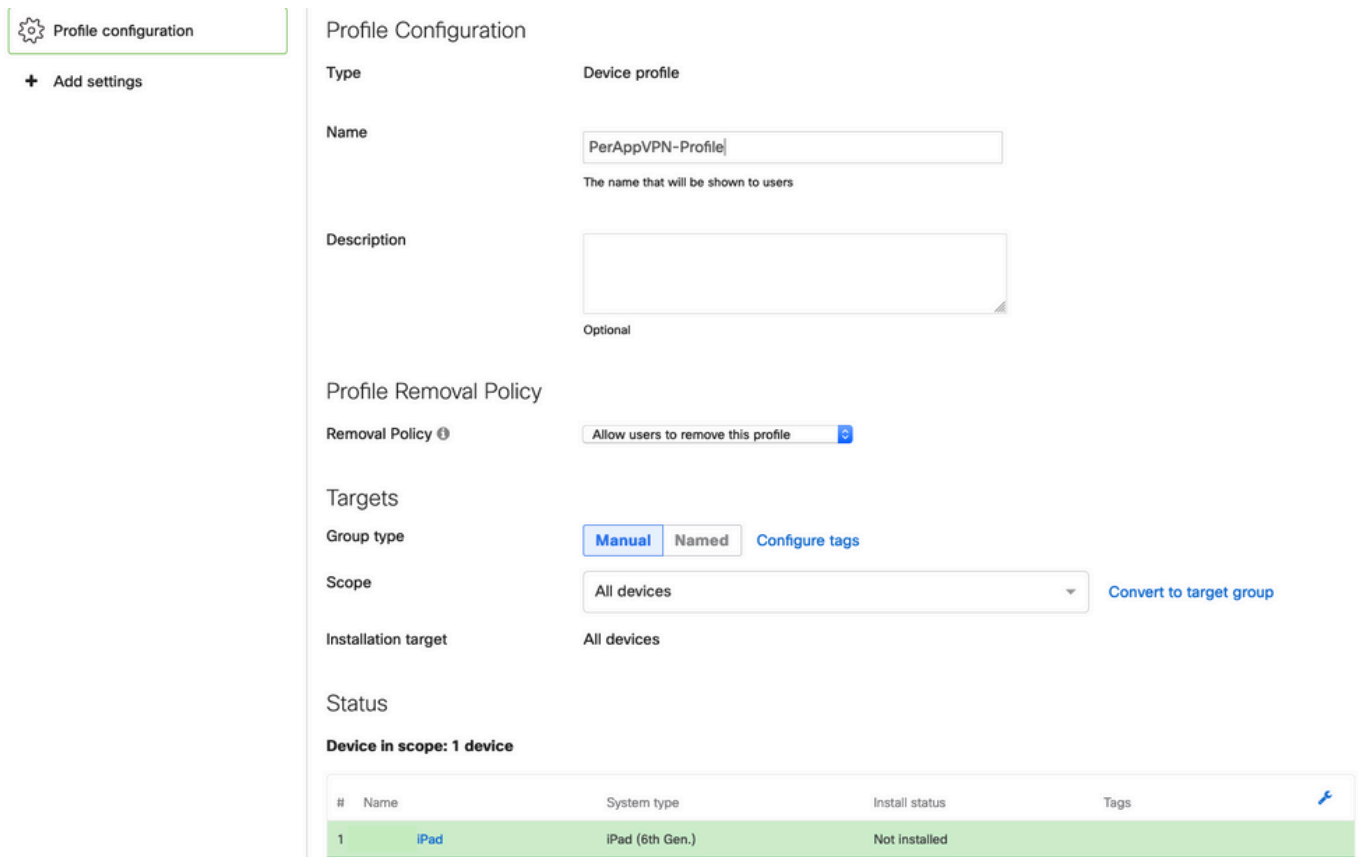
3.2. Select the **Add profile** option.



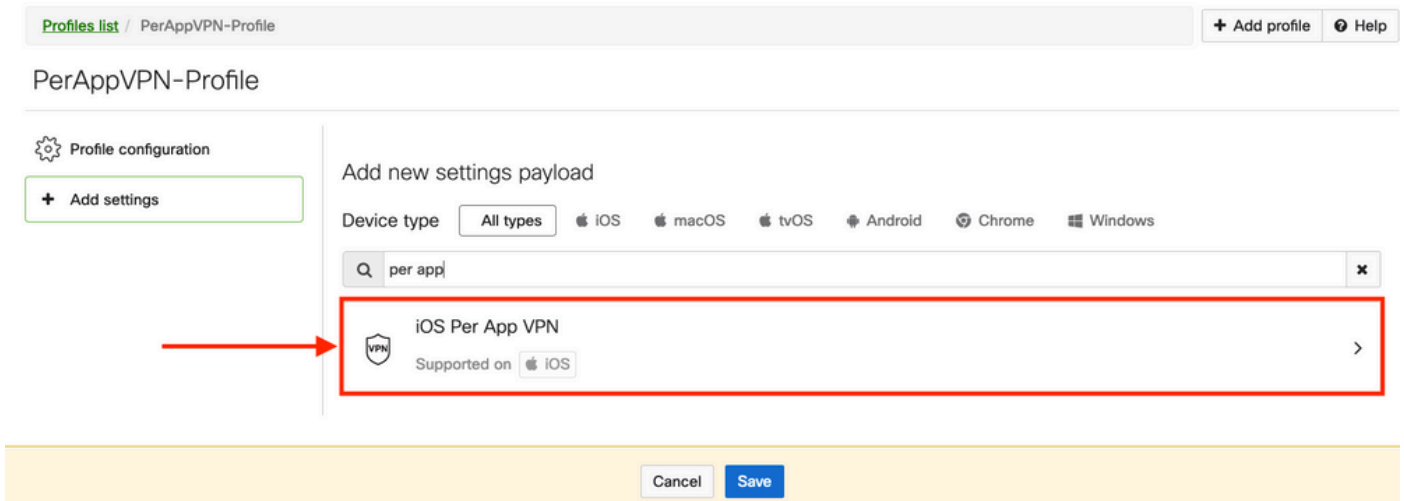
3.3. Select **Device profile (default)** and click **Continue**.



3.4. Once the **Profile Configuration** menu is displayed, write the **Name** and select the target devices under **Scope**.



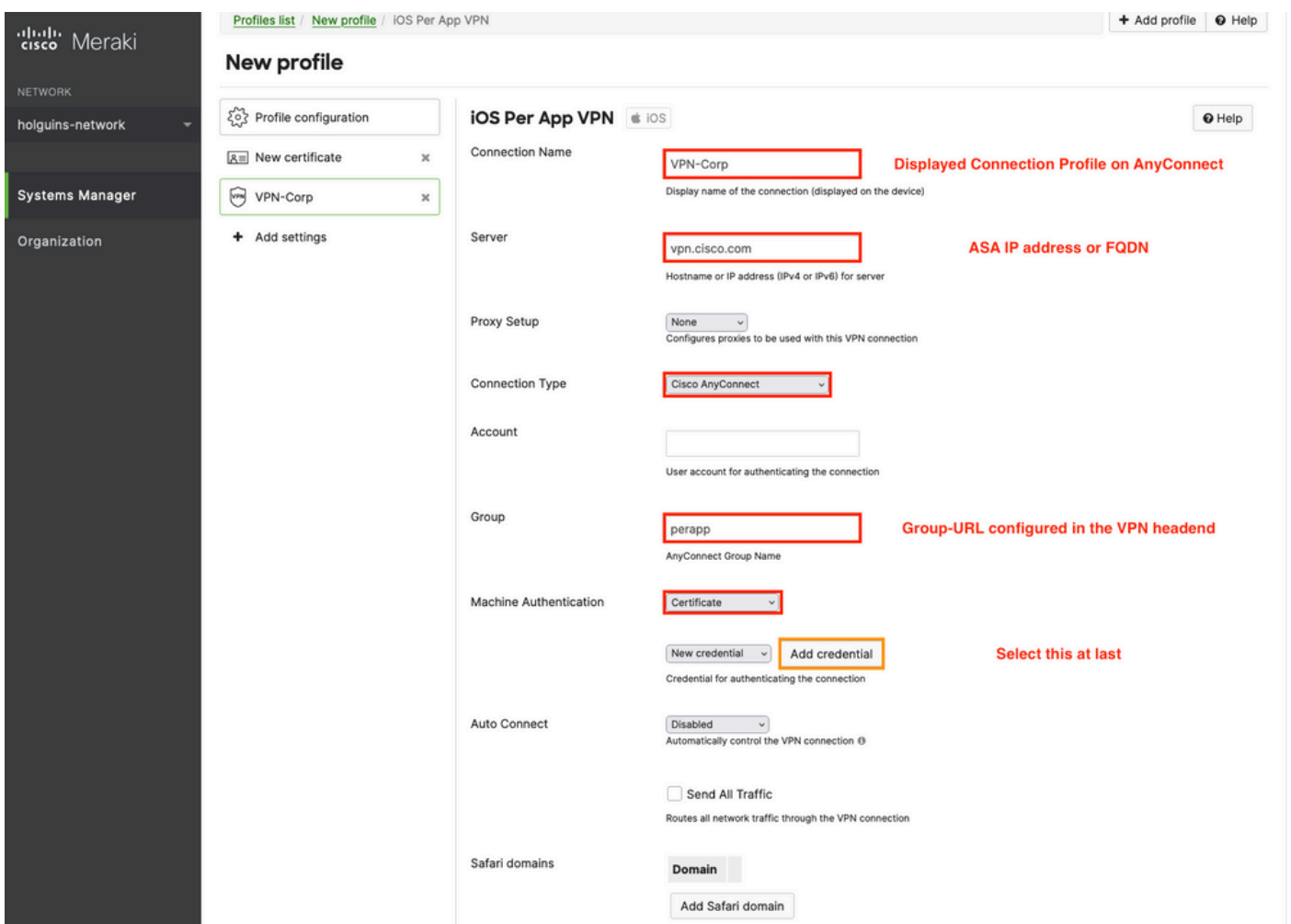
3.5. Select **Add settings** and filter the types of profile by **iOS Per App VPN**, select the option as seen below.



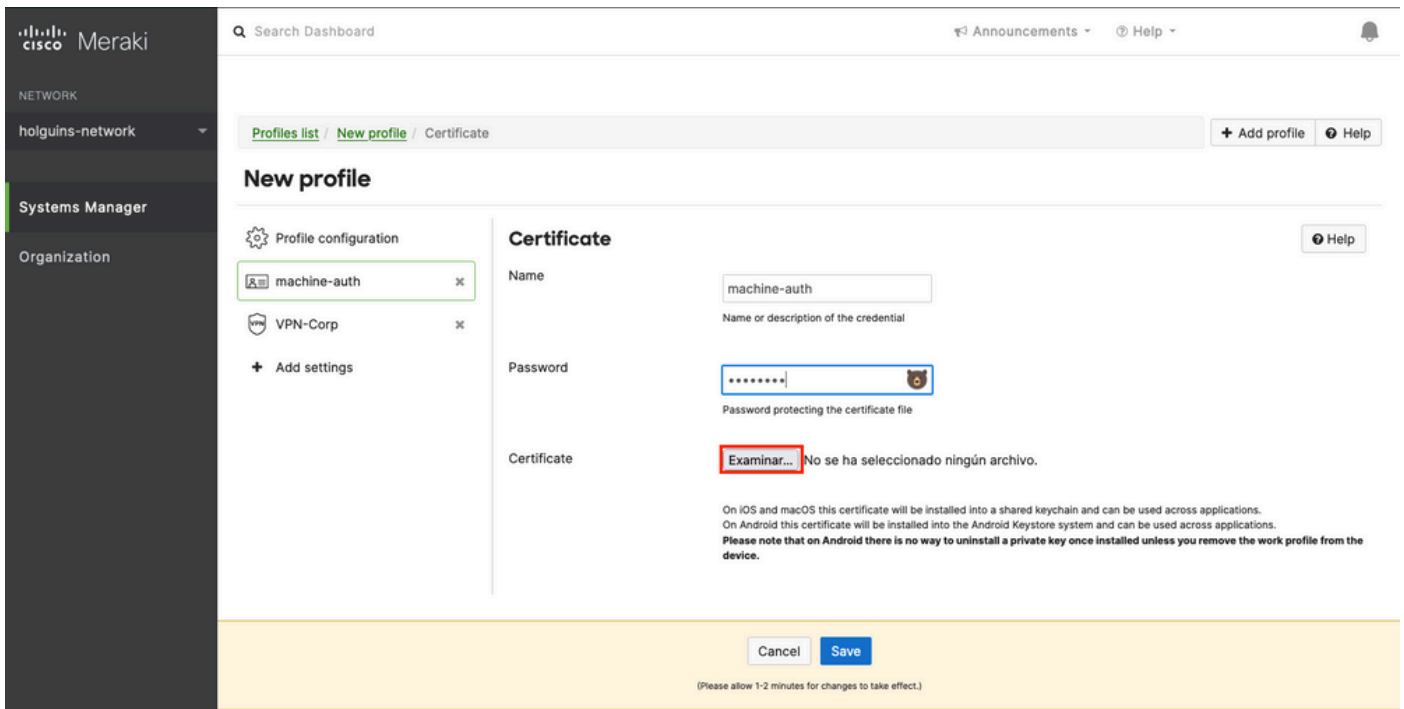
3.6. Once the menu is displayed, write the connection information based on the example below.

Systems Manager supports two certificate enrollments for these connections, SCEP and manual enrollment. In this example manual enrollment was used.

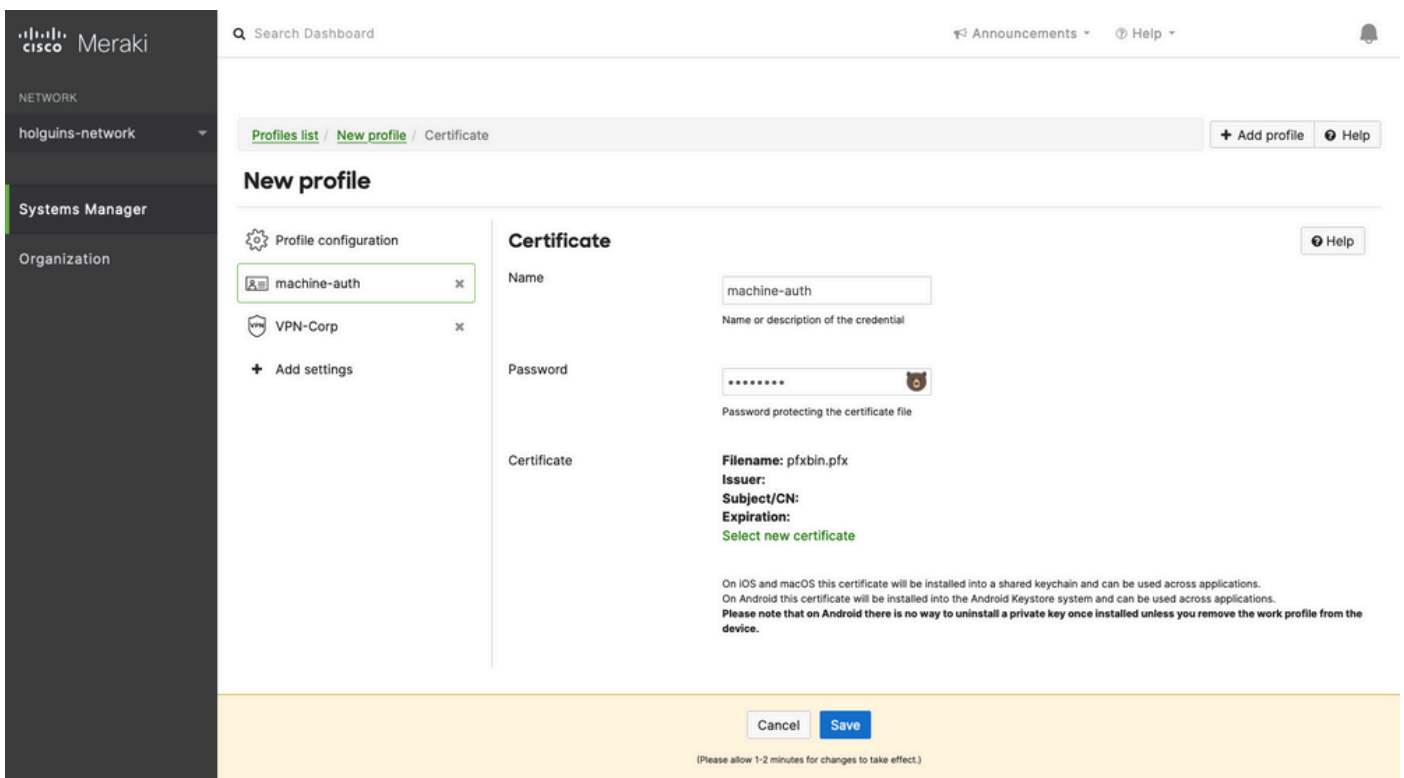
Note: Select **Add credential** once you filled the text-boxes since this option takes you to a new menu to add a certificate file.



3.7. Once you clicked on **Add credential** and you got redirected to the Certificate menu, write the **Name** of the Certificate, browse in your computer and look for the the **Password** that protects the .pfx file (encrypted certificate file).



3.8. After the certificate is selected, the certificate filename is displayed.



3.9. Once you selected the certificate, navigate to the VPN profile you were previously on and select the recently imported credential and Select the tunneled App (Firefox in this case).

Click **Save** once this is completed.

The screenshot shows the Meraki Systems Manager interface for configuring an iOS Per App VPN profile. The left sidebar shows the navigation menu with 'Systems Manager' selected. The main content area is titled 'iOS Per App VPN' and includes a 'Profile configuration' section with a list of credentials: 'machine-auth' (highlighted in red) and 'VPN-Corp'. The configuration fields include:

- Connection Name: VPN-Corp
- Server: vpn.cisco.com
- Proxy Setup: None
- Connection Type: Cisco AnyConnect
- Account: (empty)
- Group: perapp
- Machine Authentication: Certificate
- Machine Authentication Credential: machine-auth (highlighted in red) with an 'Add credential' button.
- Auto Connect: Disabled
- Send All Traffic: (unchecked)
- Safari domains: Domain (Add Safari domain button)
- Apps: A dropdown menu is open showing 'Safari (com.apple.mobilesafari)' and 'Firefox: Private, Safe Browser (org.mozilla.ios.Firefox)' (highlighted in red).

3.10. Verify the profile is installed on the target devices.

Profiles list + Add profile Help

Q Search profiles, or select to edit x

Name ▾	Payloads	Scope	Tags	Targeted	Installed on	
PerAppVPN-Profile		All devices		1	1	
default		No devices		0	0	

2 results

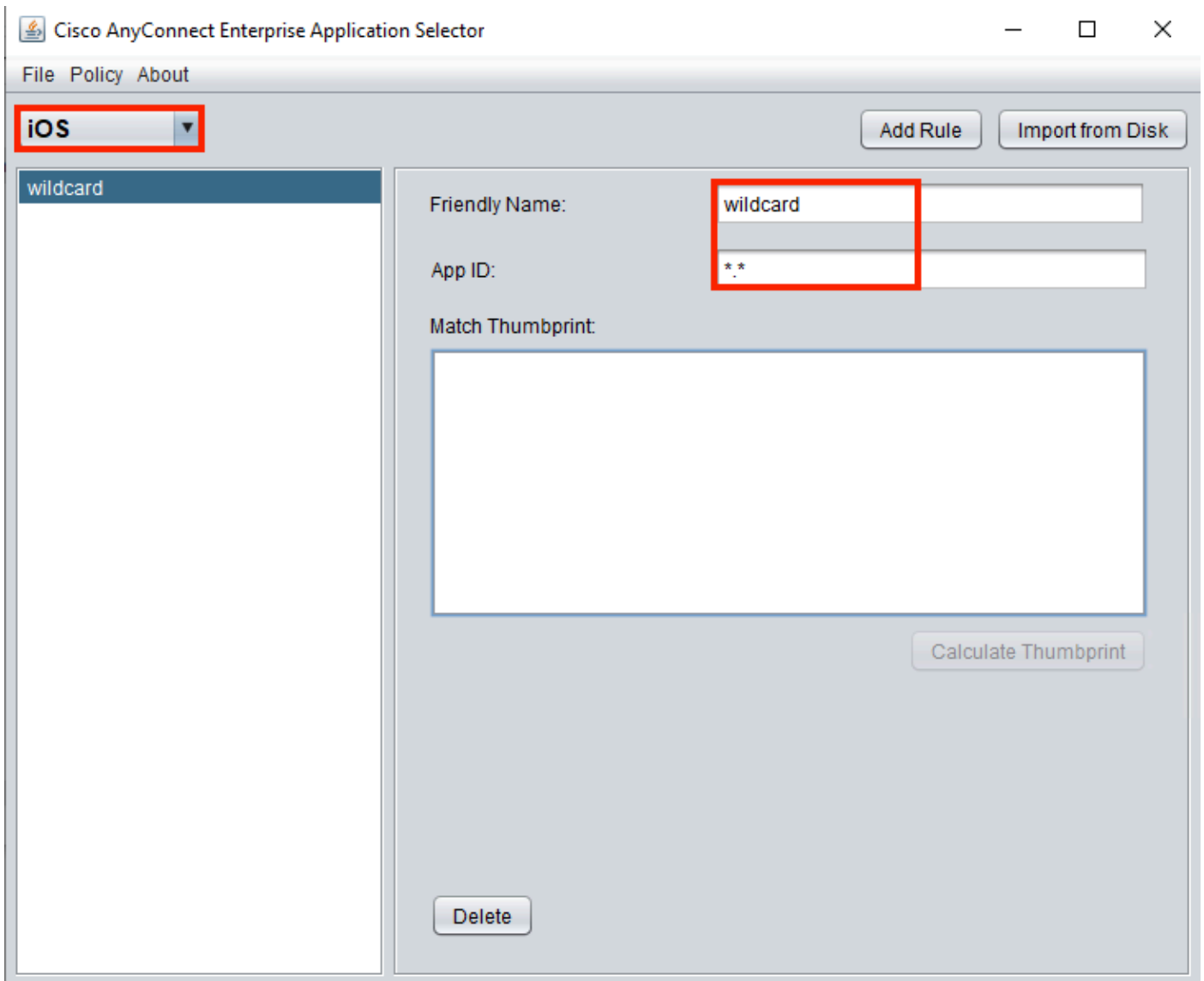
Step 4. App Selector Configuration

4.1. Download app selector from cisco website

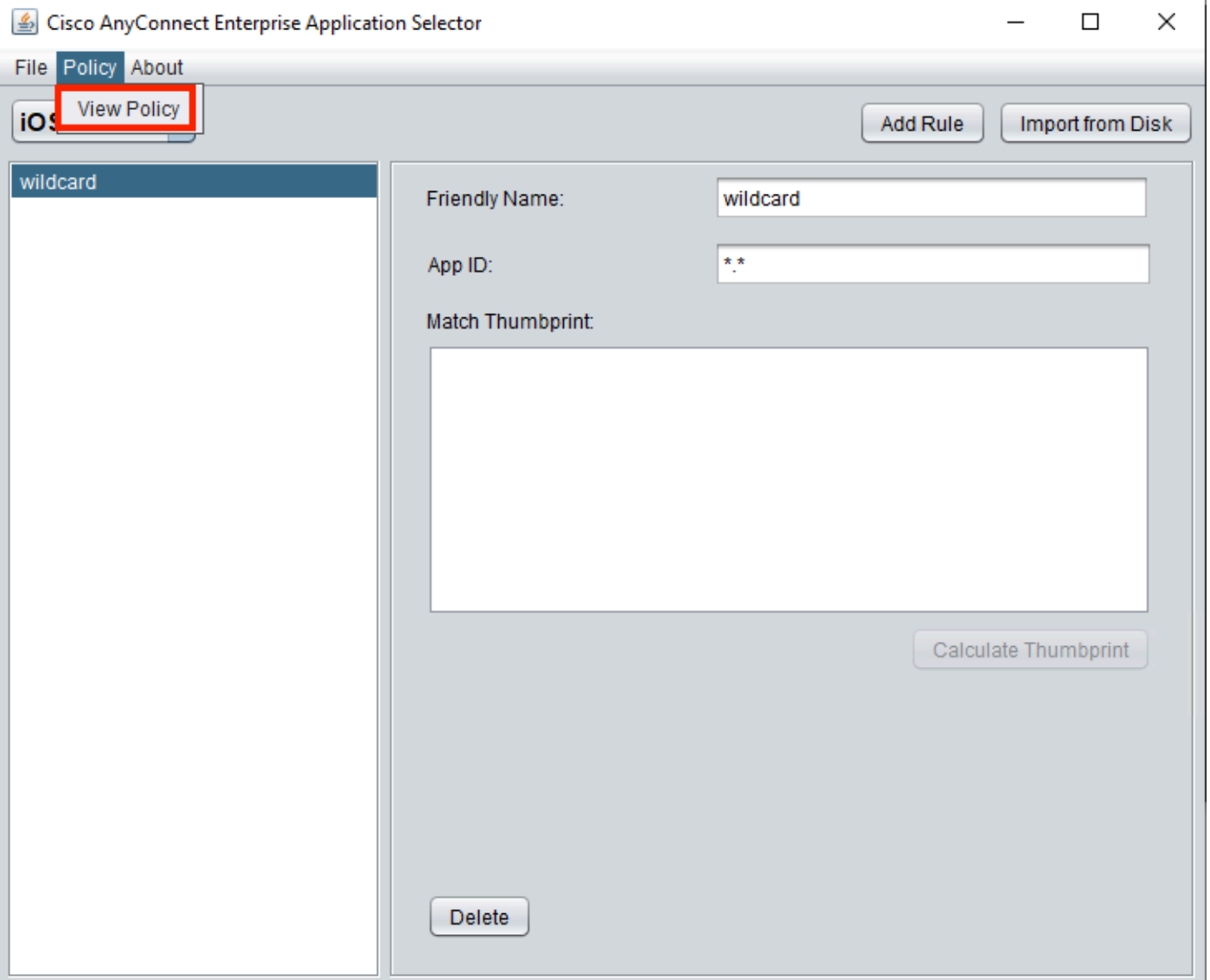
<https://software.cisco.com/download/home/286281283/type/282364313/release/AppSelector-2.0>

Caution: Run the application on a Windows machine. The results displayed are not be the expected when the tool is used on MacOS devices.

4.2. Open the java application. Select **ios** from the dropdown menu, add a friendly name and ensure you type *.* in the **App ID**.



4.3. Navigate to **Policy** and select **View Policy**



4.4. Copy the string displayed. (This is later used in the VPN headend configuration).

```
eJyrVnLOLE7Od84vqCzKTM8oUbJSgrMVNJI1FYwMDEwUwGoUgiuLS1Jzi3UUPPOS9ZR0IFxSyzKTU30yi4G6oquh3JDKglSgIYk  
FBTmPupn5xUB1jgUFcEVA8cwUoLyWnhZQJi0vMRekujwzJyU5sShFqTYWCAFHcjDB
```

OK

Step 5. ASA Sample Per App VPN Configuration

```
conf t
webvpn
anyconnect-custom-attr perapp description PerAppVPN
anyconnect-custom-data perapp wildcard
eJyrVnLOLE7Od84vqCzKTM8oUbJSgrMVNJI1FYwMDEwUwGoUgiuLS1Jzi3UUPPOS9ZR0IFxSyzKTU30yi4G6oquh3JDKglSgIYkFBTmPupn5xUB1jgUFcEVA8cwUoLyWnhZQJi0vMRekujwzJyU5sShFqTYWCAFHcjDB

ip local pool vpnpool 10.204.201.20-10.204.201.30 mask 255.255.255.0

access-list split standard permit 172.168.0.0 255.255.0.0
access-list split standard permit 172.16.0.0 255.255.0.0

group-policy GP-perapp internal
group-policy GP-perapp attributes
vpn-tunnel-protocol ssl-client
split-tunnel-policy tunnelspecified
split-tunnel-network-list value split
split-tunnel-all-dns disable
anyconnect-custom perapp value wildcard

tunnel-group perapp type remote-access
tunnel-group perapp general-attributes
address-pool vpnpool
default-group-policy GP-perapp
tunnel-group perapp webvpn-attributes
authentication certificate
group-alias perapp enable
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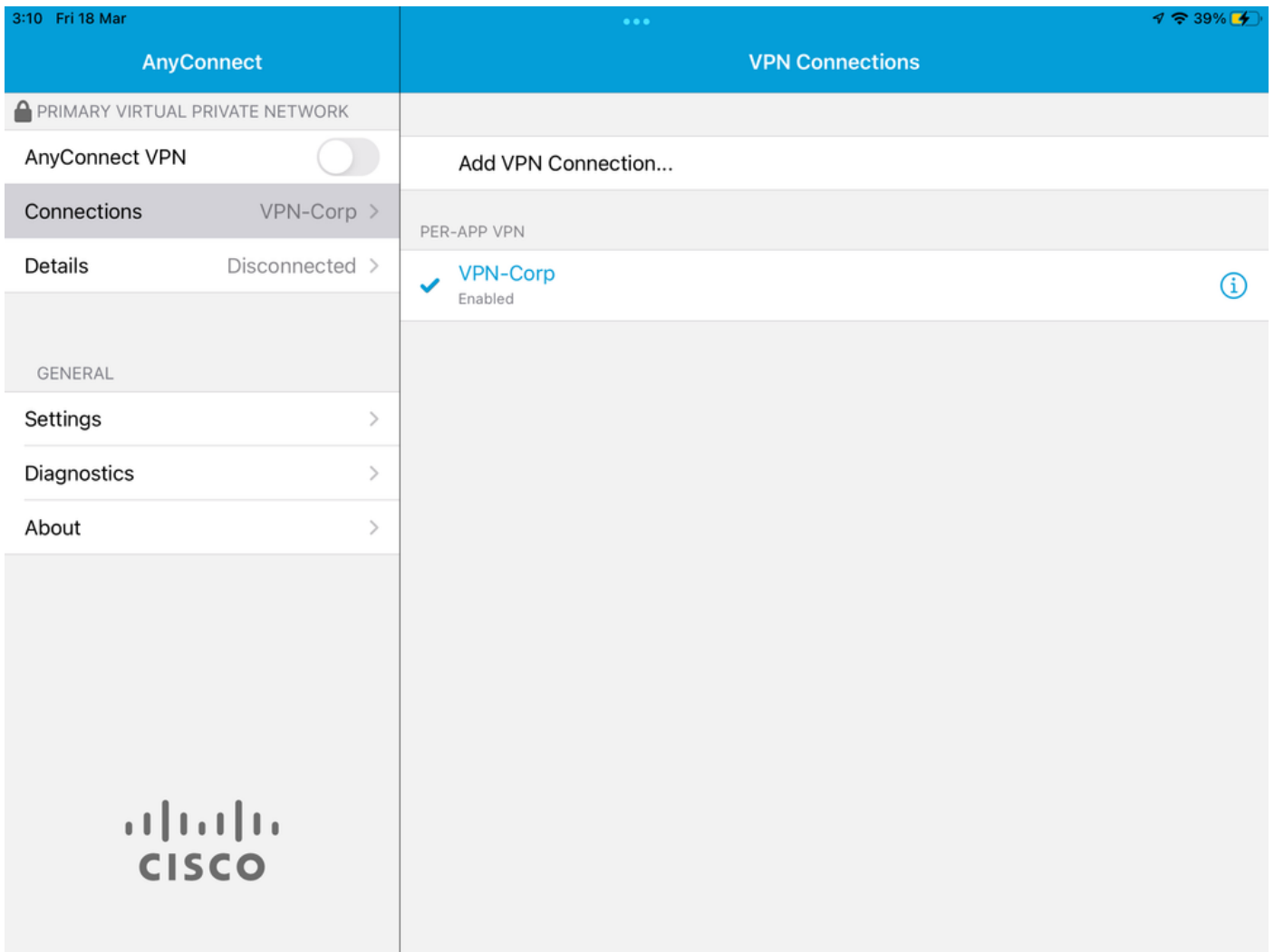
group-url https://vpn.cisco.com/perapp enable

Verify

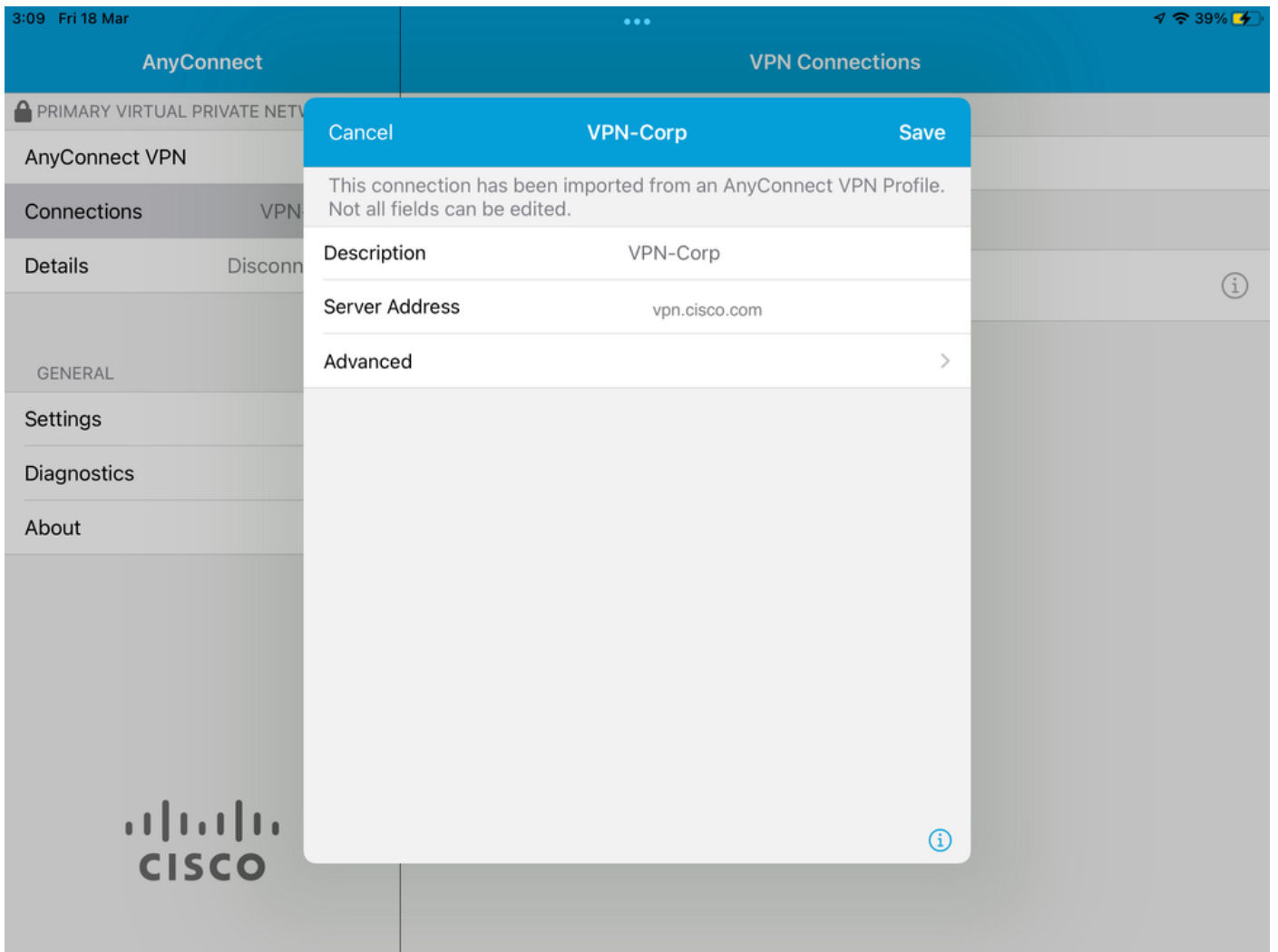
6. Verify Profile Installation on AnyConnect Application

6.1. Open the AnyConnect Application and select **Connections** in the left pane. The PerApp VPN profile must be displayed under a new section called **PER-APP VPN**.

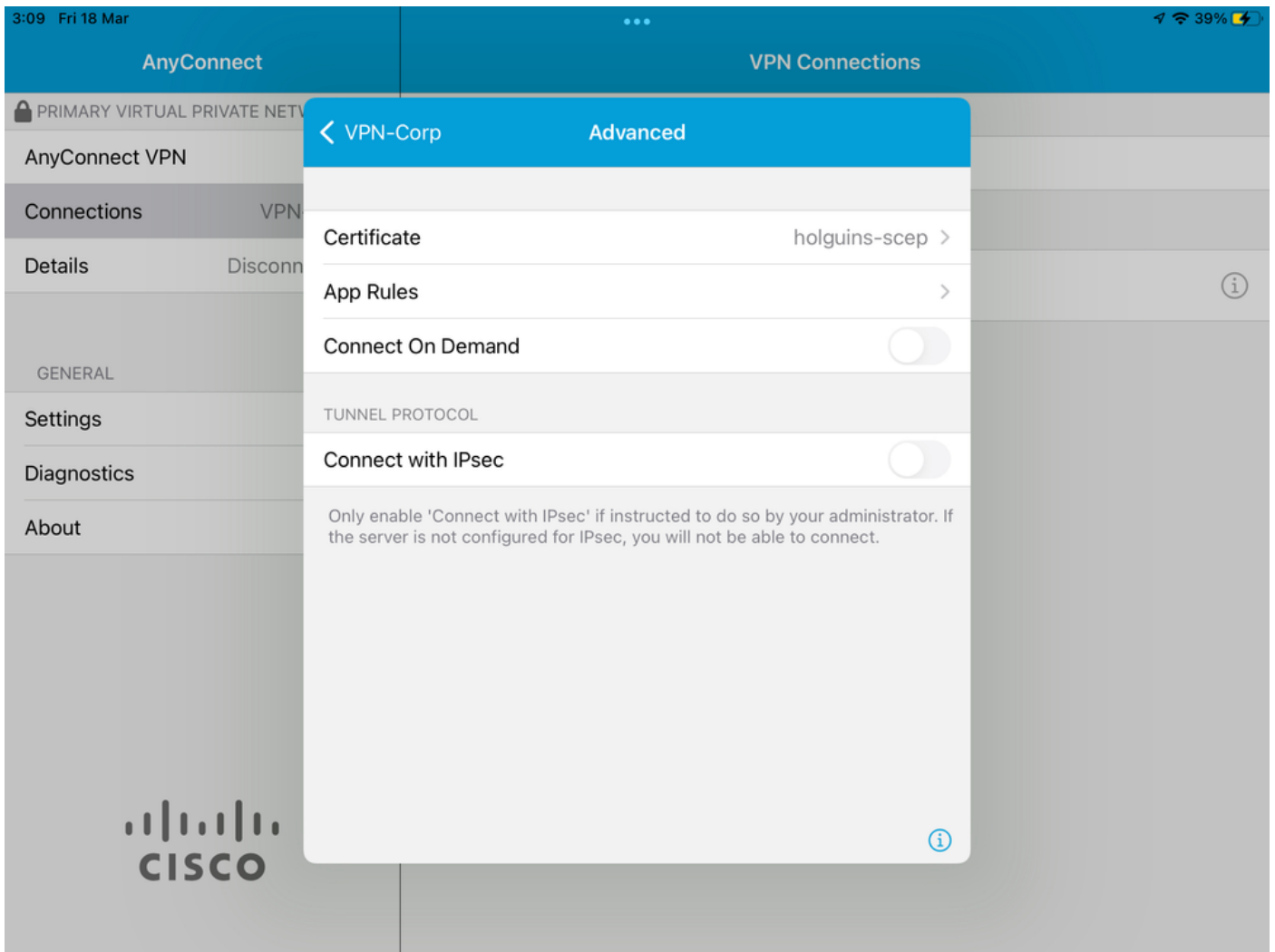
Select the **i** to display the advanced settings.



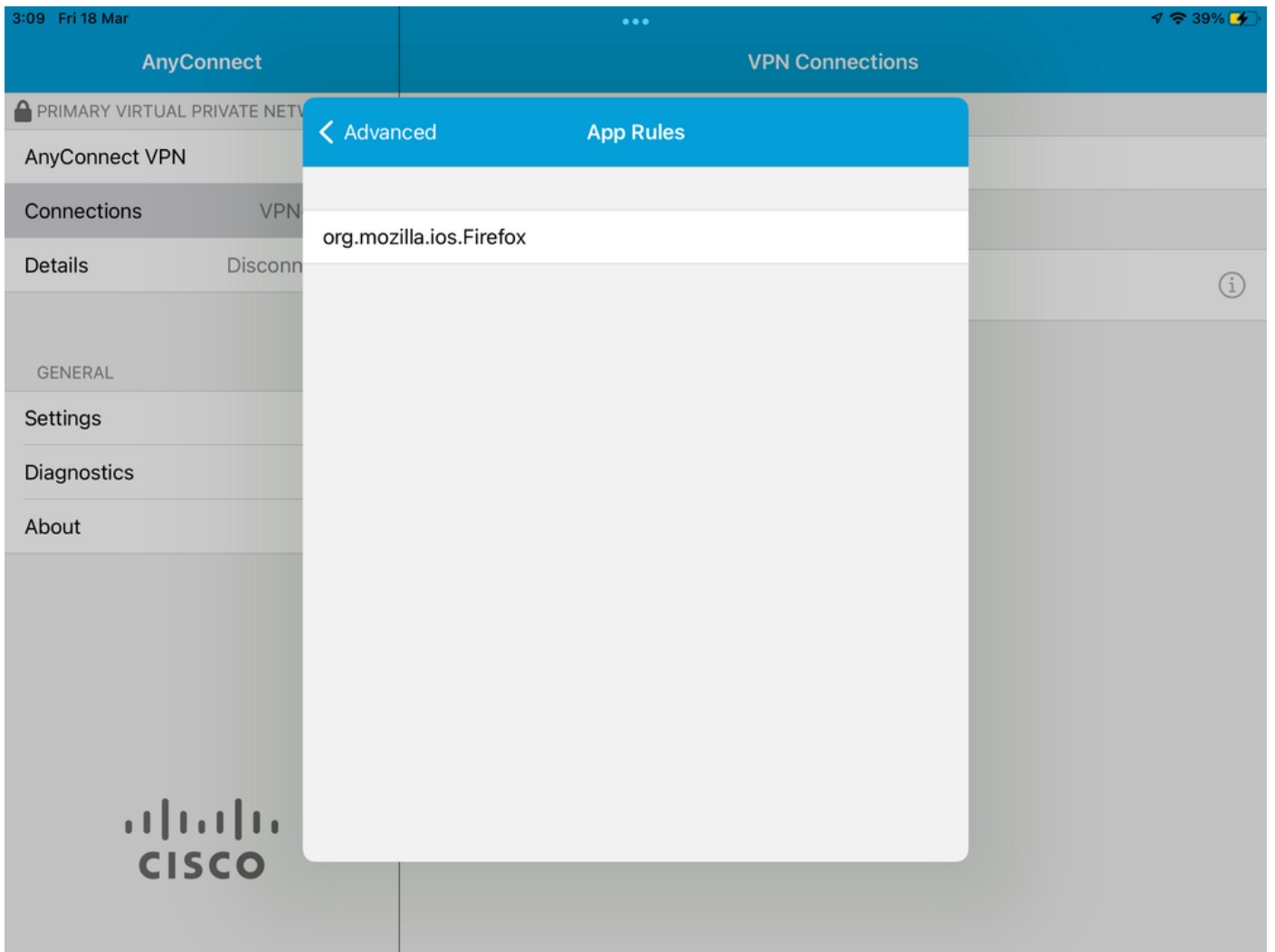
6.2. Select the **Advanced** option.



6.3. Select the **App Rules** option.



6.4. Lastly, confirm the App Rule is installed. (Mozilla is the tunneled App desired in this document, so the app installation was successful).



Troubleshoot

There are currently no specific troubleshooting steps for this document.