

# Connecting to your Virtual Machine from Home

## Step 1: Download the Horizon View Client

1. Use the following address to download the client. If over time the url changes and doesn't work, then search for "Horizon View Client":  
[https://my.vmware.com/web/vmware/info/slug/desktop\\_end\\_user\\_computing/vmware\\_horizon\\_clients/5\\_0](https://my.vmware.com/web/vmware/info/slug/desktop_end_user_computing/vmware_horizon_clients/5_0)
2. Select base on your OS, for most, "VMware Horizon Client for Windows" is the best choice, click the link "Go to Downloads" to the right.
3. Leave it on the latest version, and click Download.
4. Install the client, leaving all the default settings.

## Step 2: Configure the client SSL.

1. Using the Start Menu, find and run the "VMware Horizon Client"
2. Click on the 3 Horizontal bars in the upper right corner.
3. Select "Configure SSL"
4. Select "Do not verify server identity certificates" and select ok.
5. Close the VMware Horizon Client.

**Note:** It's not a good idea to ignore certificate warnings, but because the DoD certs aren't advertised to the public, we do this for DoD sites only.

## Step 3: Navigate to the website to connect.

1. Ensure your CAC is in the CAC reader before you start.
2. Open your web browser and go to: <https://vdi.pec.ng.mil>
3. Use your PIV certificate to authenticate.
4. You should be presented with the PEC logo and your Virtual Machines that you see at work. If you are presented with a page that states "Your session could not be established." On the left hand side at the bottom there is a statement that says "To open a new session, please click here." Click the "click here" link and it should take you to the "USG Warning and Consent Banner" page. Click the "OK" button. This will bring you to the "PEC Message of the Day" page. Click the "OK"

button.

Now you should see the PEC Logo and the Virtual Machines you are entitled to.

5. Double-click on the VM you want to open.
6. If prompted to Open VMware Horizon Client, check the box to always to this action, then open.

### **TROUBLESHOOTING TIP**

If you receive an SSL error when attempting to connect, try opening the VMWare Horizon View Client and leaving it open in the background.