

## Cluster warning for ESXi Shell and SSH appear on an ESXi 5 host

### Symptoms

- ESXi host shows the error:

ESXi Shell for the Host has been enabled

- ESXi host shows the error:

SSH for the host has been enabled

### Resolution

**Note:** This article pertains to vSphere 5.0. For vSphere 4.x, see [Cluster warning shown in vCenter Server when Remote Tech Support Mode \(SSH\) or Local Tech Support Mode is enabled \(1016205\)](#) ([search.do?cmd=displayKC&docType=kc&docTypeID=DT\\_KB\\_1\\_1&externalId=1016205](#)).

In vSphere 5, you can enable both Remote SSH and the ESXi Shell for management of hosts from the vSphere Client and from the Direct Console User Interface.

These messages are shown as a proactive security measure that ensure that administrators are aware that remote access has been enabled for the server.

Disabling Remote SSH and ESXi Shell removes the messages from the host.

To disable these warnings:

1. Select the ESXi host from the Inventory.
2. Select **Advanced Settings** from the Software menu.
3. Navigate to UserVars > UserVars.SuppressShellWarning.
4. Set the value from 0 to 1.
5. Click **OK**.