Support flow and first point of contact

Nutanix support portal registration, opening a support case, and viewing existing cases

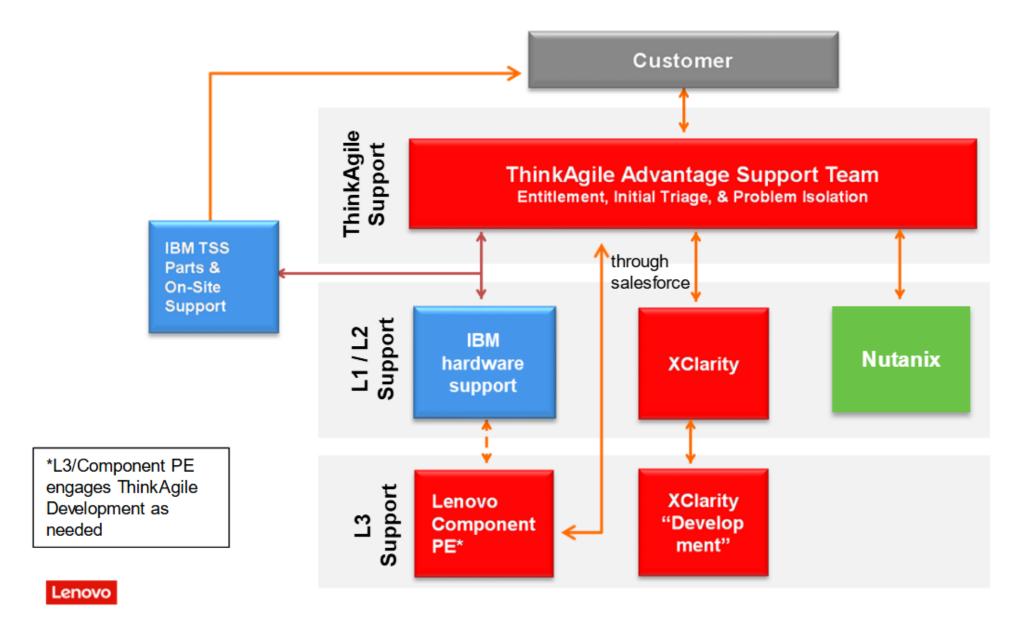
Hardware and software support

The HX Series is composed of hardware, Nutanix software, or LXCA. Therefore, system failures may be caused from either hardware or software. Here are some guidelines for Lenovo service personnel when handling calls and following up with customers:

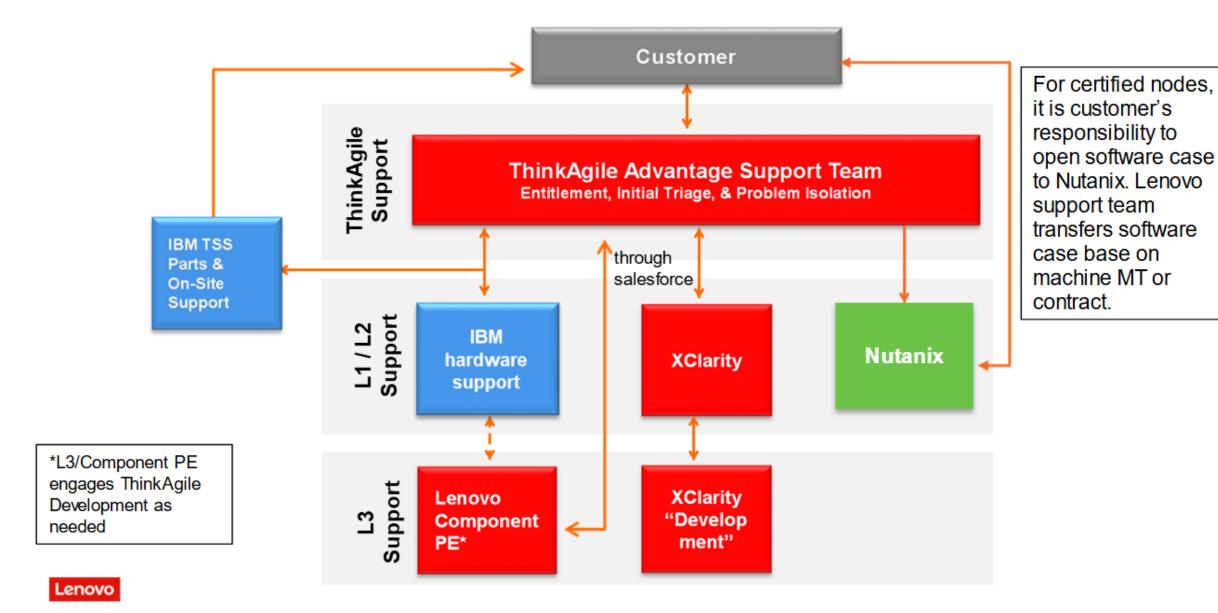
- Lenovo L0/L1/L2 support (service by IBM) is the first contact for calls pertaining to ThinkAgile HX Series.
- The customer should provide the machine type and serial number of their Lenovo ThinkAgile HX Series to identify themselves
 as someone who is entitled to support.
- Lenovo L0/L1/L2 support (service by IBM) is the first point of contact to determine whether a case falls within the hardware of software category.
- If the issue is related to software, Lenovo L0/L1/L2 support (service by IBM) opens a case through Nutanix's Support Portal (http://portal.nutanix.com) or the support agent can call 1-855-688-2649 and select option 3 for all issues. (International phone numbers are available at https://www.nutanix.com/support-services/product-support/support-phone-numbers)
- Lenovo L0/L1/L2 support (service by IBM) works the case Business As Usual (BAU) for hardware issues.
- If the problem is hardware in nature, the support agent follows the established procedures for further problem determination and isolation.
- Nutanix manages their own list of defects or issues.
- Nutanix hands off issues to Lenovo L0/L1/L2 support (service by IBM) when a reverse hand off is needed for hardware issues.
- The customer interface switchs to Nutanix once Nutanix gets involved in a case.
- Nutanix receives customer and shipment information from Lenovo. This information is used to create a customer account and the information is also used for the case management process.

Note: If the issue comes from XClarity, customers should get XClarity support through the software support process either through the XClarity forum (free) or through fee-based XClarity support. Refer to the Lenovo XClarity support Web page for more details: https://support.lenovo.com/us/en/solutions/HT507079

ThinkAgile Advantage support flow on HX Series appliances

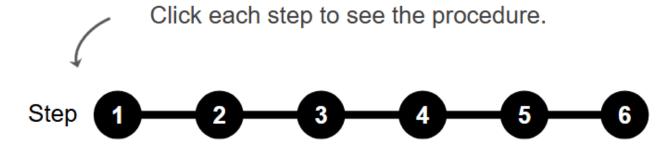


ThinkAgile Advantage support flow on HX Series certified nodes



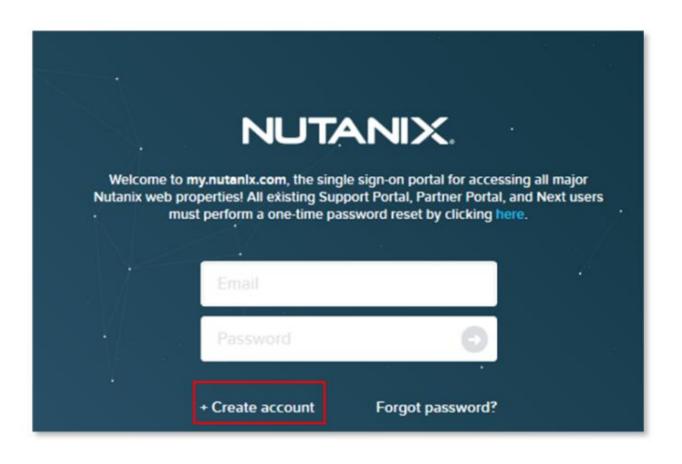
Agents expecting to take support calls for HX Series must register as a user on the Nutanix Support Portal. This provides the agent with the capability to open software calls with Nutanix when a customer needs software support.

To create an account on Nutanix Support Portal, complete the following steps.





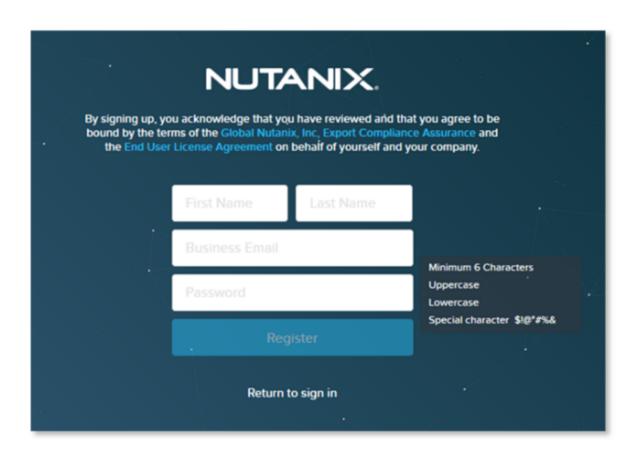
Go to the Nutanix Support Portal and click the **Create account** link.







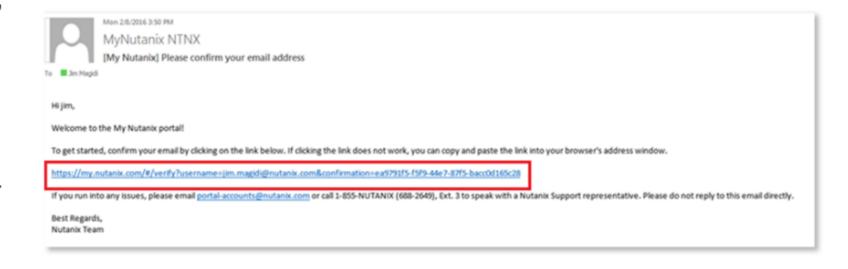
The create account Web page displays. Fill in the necessary information and the user is guided through a series of steps to create and activate the personal portal account.







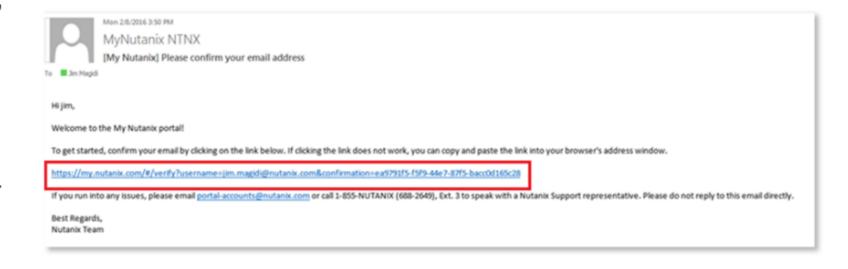
When the account is created, an e-mail notification is sent to the user. Click the hyperlink to activate the account. After the account is activated, the Support Portal page displays where the user can log back in with the e-mail address and password.







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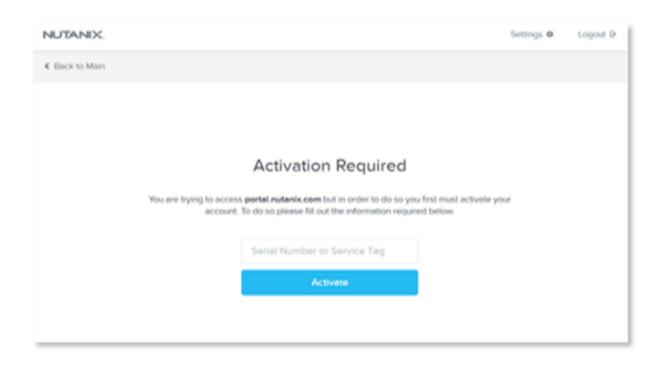






The "Activation Required" page appears. Enter the activation code

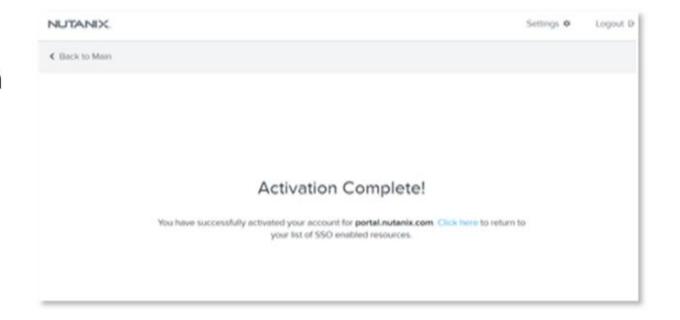
LEN_IBM4Support to activate the account.







When the activation code is accepted, an activation completion notification is displayed on the screen. The user can log back in to the Support Portal.









To open a support case with Nutanix, complete the following steps:

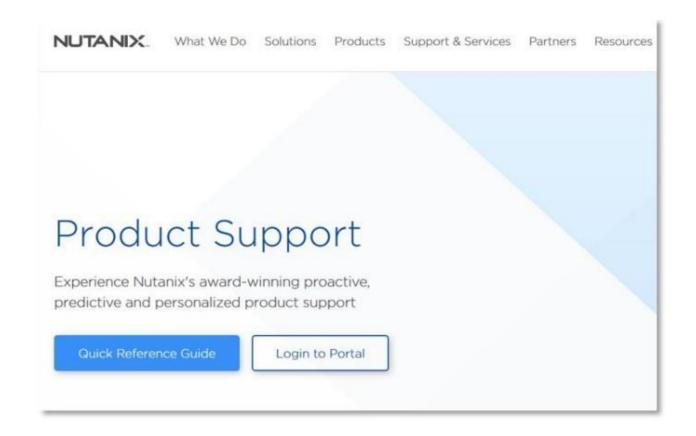


Click each step to see the procedure.





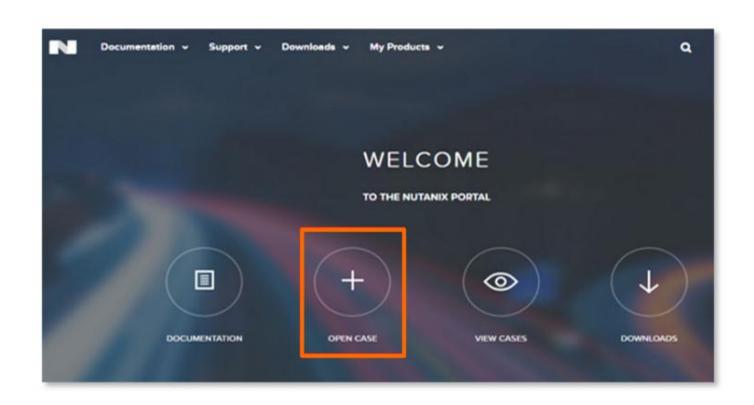
Log in to the Nutanix Support Portal.







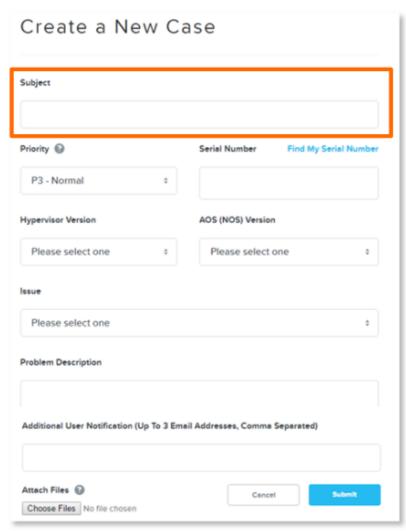
On the welcome page, select **Open Case**.







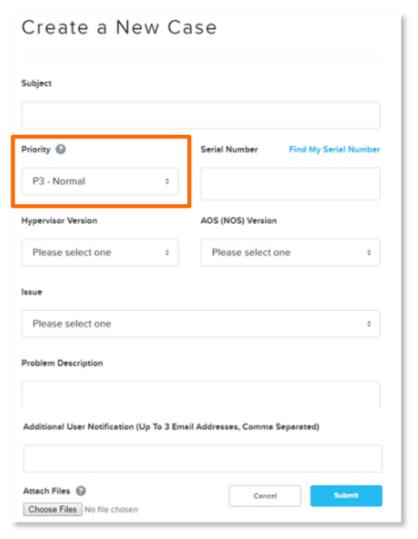
The Create a New Case page is displayed. In the Subject line, enter **Nutanix SW issue- HW case # xxxxxxxxx** if an HW case has been opened with Lenovo.







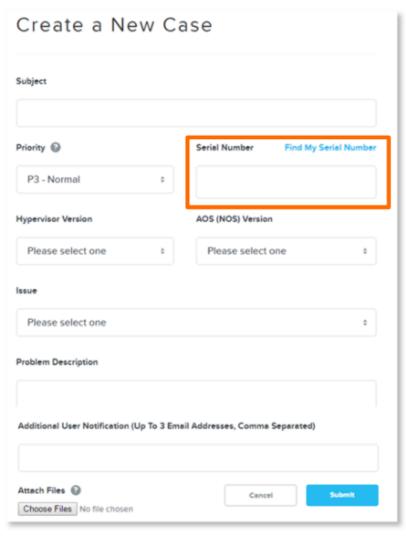
Select the Priority level according to the customer's request.







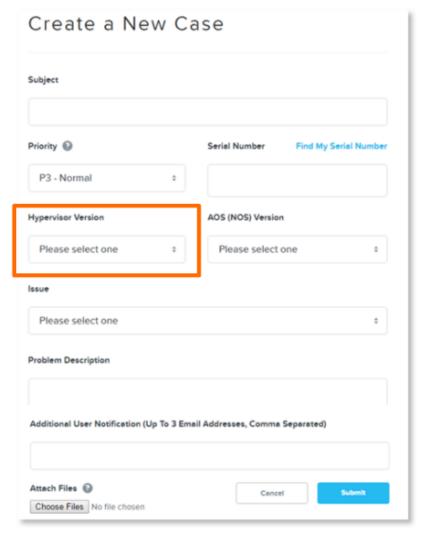
Enter Serial number of the Lenovo HW device.







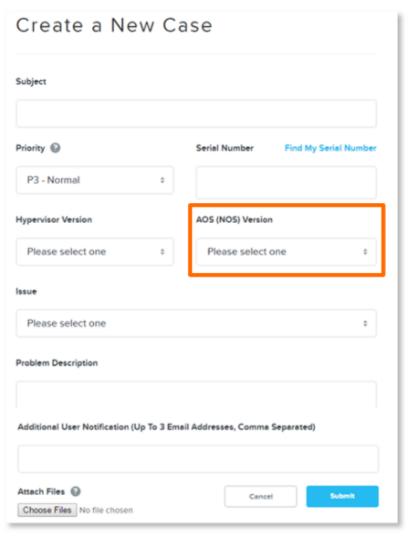
For Hypervisor Version, select **NA** from the drop-down menu.







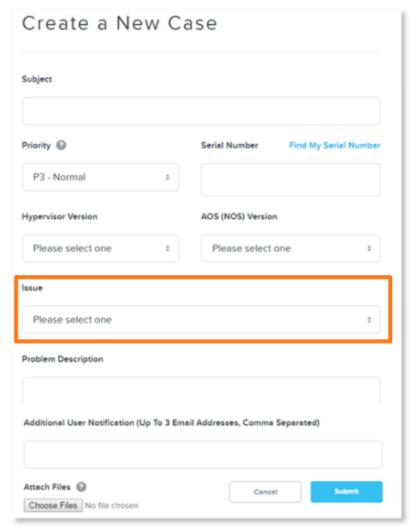
For the AOS (NOS) version, select **No NOS provided** from the drop-down menu.







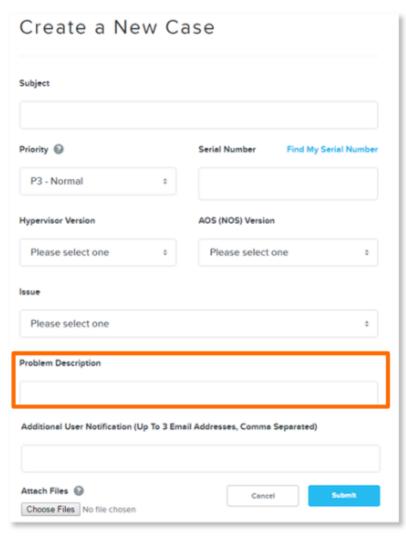
In the Issue section, select **Technical Problem** from the drop-down menu.







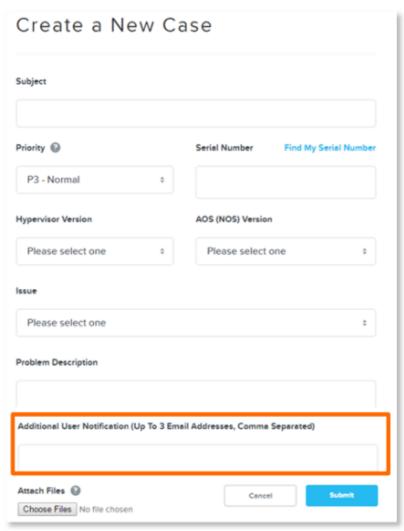
In Problem Description section, enter detailed description of the problem itself, and enter any additional information required to communicate with Nutanix.







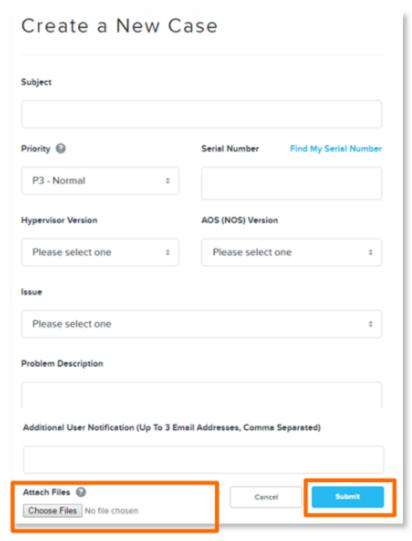
In the Additional User Notification section, up to three email addresses, starting with the one for the customer to be contacted can be entered.







Attaching a file or files is optional. After the sections are complete, click **Submit**.







Viewing existing cases

As a support representative, there will be instances when the status of an existing case needs to be reviewed. Select **View Cases** when logging on to the <u>Nutanix Support Portal</u>, and the View Cases page is displayed. Users can filter by My Cases, Open Cases, or Closed Cases. Also, cases can filter by specific customers.

