

## Configuring Passwords for Usernames

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You can configure an optional password that the extended DHCP application presents to the external AAA authentication service to authenticate the specified username.

To configure a password that authenticates the username:

1. Specify that you want to configure authentication options.

- For DHCP local server:

```
[edit system services dhcp-local-server]
user@host# edit authentication
```

- For DHCP relay agent:

```
[edit forwarding-options dhcp-relay]
user@host# edit authentication
```

2. Configure the password. (DHCP local server and DHCP relay agent both support the `password` statement.)

```
[edit system services dhcp-local-server authentication]
user@host# set password myPassword1234
```

- Related Topics**
- Extended DHCP Local Server Overview
  - Configuring the Extended DHCP Relay Agent
  - Using External AAA Authentication Services with DHCP
  - For information about supported characters in passwords, see “Configuring Special Requirements for Plain-Text Passwords” in the *JUNOS System Basics Configuration Guide*

