## How to Enable Passwordless Sign-In for Multifactor Authentication

Audience: Employees already using the Microsoft Authenticator app for multifactor authentication (MFA).

Houston Methodist multifactor authentication (MFA) just got a lot more secure for HM and easier for you. When you authenticate into any Azure cloud application (for example, **Office 365**), you no longer need to enter a password. You can sign in by simply acknowledging a notification sent to your mobile device through the **Microsoft Authenticator** app.

**Step 1:** You must have the **Microsoft Authenticator** app installed on your mobile device. If you already have this, skip this step. If you have don't, simply <u>click here</u> for instructions.

Step 2: Configure the Microsoft Authenticator app for passwordless sign-in.

- 1. Open the Authenticator app on your mobile device.
- 2. Select your Houston Methodist account.



3. Select Enable phone sign-in (see below in red).







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4. Then select Continue.



5. Sign into your account and complete MFA. (If this does not appear, just go to next step.)





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6. Once signed in, select the **Register** option. This should take a few seconds and will register your mobile device to your account.



7. If successful, you should see the screen below. To validate, select your account again:



8. The next screen verifies that **Passwordless sign-in enabled**:



You can now start using passwordless sign-in via the Authenticator app.





## Testing the set-up

To test, wait about five minutes.

- 1. Open any web browser, visit <u>https://office.com</u> and sign in.
  - **a.** Note: If you're on the HM network or VPN, you must open a <u>private</u> browsing window, otherwise the network will sign you in using single sign on (SSO). To open a private browsing window (which does not store any browsing history or cookies), press Ctrl + Shift +N to open a new private browsing window. On a Mac, use Command + Shift + N. On your iPhone in Safari, select the Tabs button , then select Private, then Done.
- 2. When you get to the password screen, select the Use an app instead option.

← hmhtestuser@houstor	nmethodist.org
Enter password	
Password	
Forgot my password	
Use an app instead	

- 3. You should receive a number match sent to your Authenticator app.
- 4. Once you verify the number on the **Authenticator** app, you will be signed in.

**Note:** The next time you sign in, it will default to just sending you the notification. You will not need to click "Use an app instead" every time, only the first time.

