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# User Access

Follow the steps in this section to gain access to FileCloud (FC).

## Pre-requisites

Before you can gain FileCloud access, you must have a HCQIS Access Roles & Profile (HARP) ID. Follow the steps in this section for obtaining a HARP ID.

1. Register for a HARP ID. Below is the registration link as well as the link to video instructions. Please use your **corporate email address** in the Email Address field. If you already have a HARP ID, skip to step 2.
2. Create your account using the following web site:  
   <https://harp.qualitynet.org/register/>
3. The following video provides instructions on creating your account:  
   <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G1zj8JqxWg4>
4. Once the HARP account has been created, log into HARP and request a FileCloud account via a HARP User Role.
5. Select **User Roles** from the top of the page then select **Request a Role**.
6. Select **QualityNet-FileCloud** and **Next**.
7. Select your **Organization** and **Next**.
8. Select a QualityNet-FileCloud user role (choose one).

* FileCloud-User
* FileCloud-SO (Account Administrator)

1. The organization's Security Official reviews and approves/denies the user role request. You will be notified via email that your request has been submitted and again when your role has been approved or denied.
2. Using your HARP credentials, log in to FileCloud at: <https://filecloud.cms.gov>
3. If you have access to the HCQIS Confluence web site, you can find additional information about FileCloud here: <https://confluence.hcqis.org/display/HS/FileCloud>

# Accessing FileCloud from Web Browser

Use the following steps to access FileCloud.

1. From your computer, you may use any of the following web browsers:

* Google Chrome
* Mozilla Firefox
* Apple Safari
* Microsoft Internet Explorer
* Microsoft Edge

1. Access the FileCloud Login page using the following web address: <https://filecloud.cms.gov>

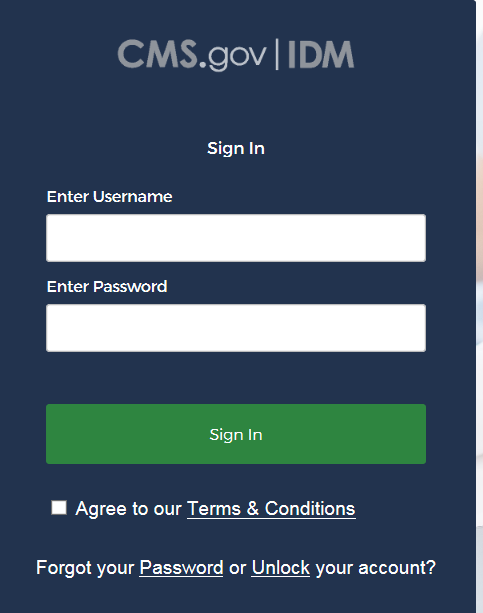


Figure : FileCloud Login Page

1. In the Enter Username field, enter your HARP ID.
2. In the Enter Password field, enter your HARP password.
3. Put a checkmark in the box for “Agree to our Terms & Conditions.”
4. Click the **Sign In** button.
5. Upon a successful login, you will be redirected to FileCloud’s main dashboard page (Figure 1,2). From the dashboard, you will be able to navigate to both your personal space and your team folders.
6. The user portal now has an entirely new look and feel, making it easier to locate the files and actions that are most important to you.

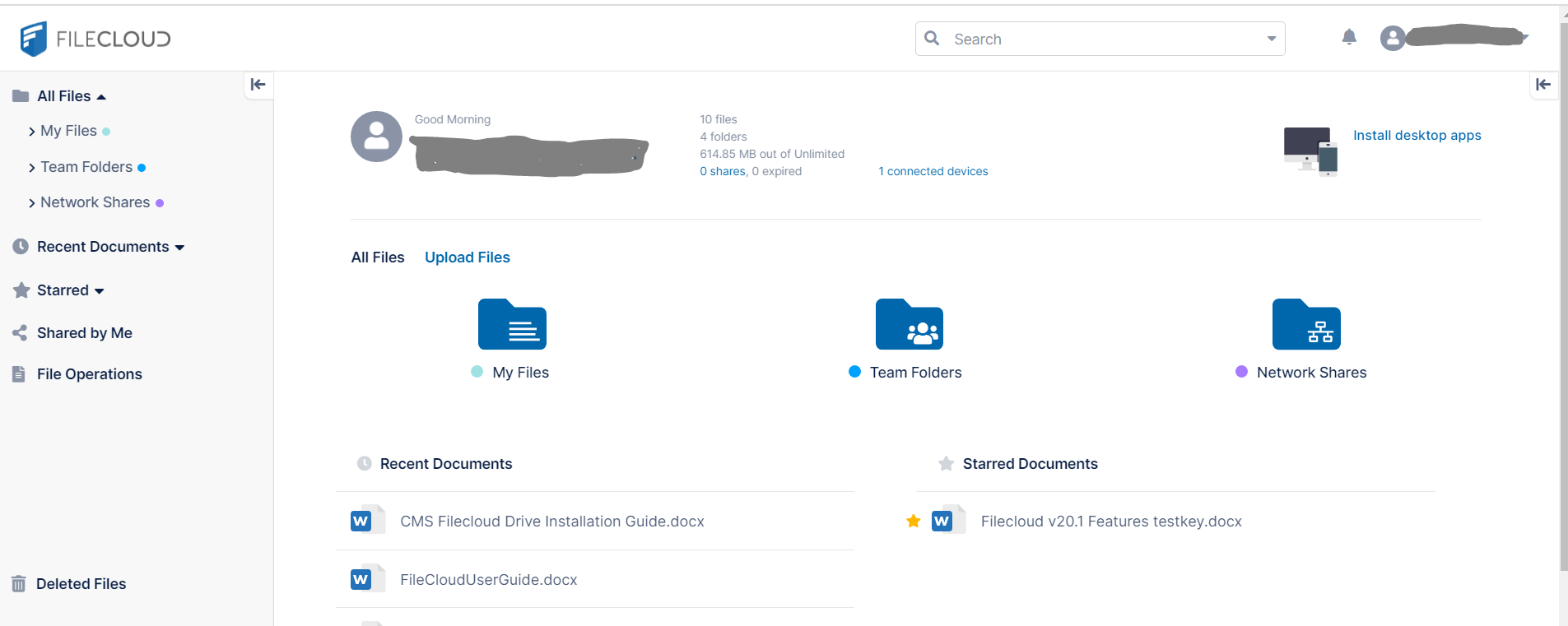


Figure 2: FileCloud Main Dashboard

# Creating Folders

You can create subfolders within both My Files and Team Folders—see Figure 3.

NOTE: You cannot create an additional folder on the Dashboard.

1. After you log in to FileCloud, you are at the main Dashboard. Click on either the **My Files** or **Team Folders** folder or **Network Shares**, or their links, to open the one where you want to create a subfolder.

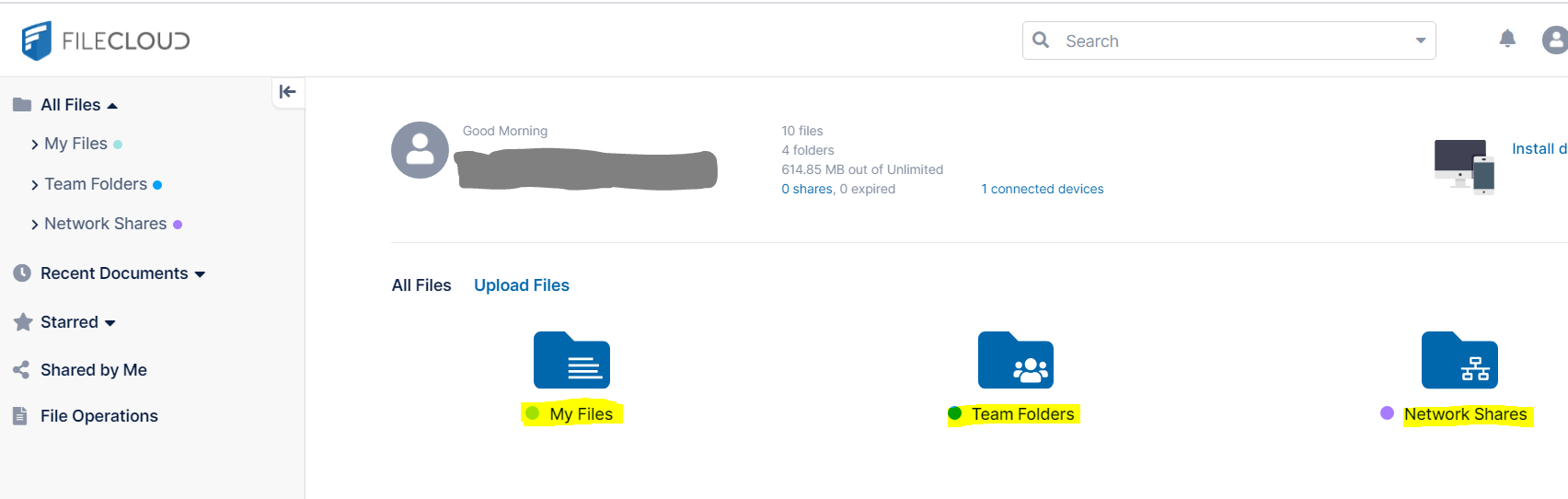


Figure : Main Dashboard – My Files and Team Folders

1. Within the My Files folder, you will see the workspace where document files are stored—see Figure 4.

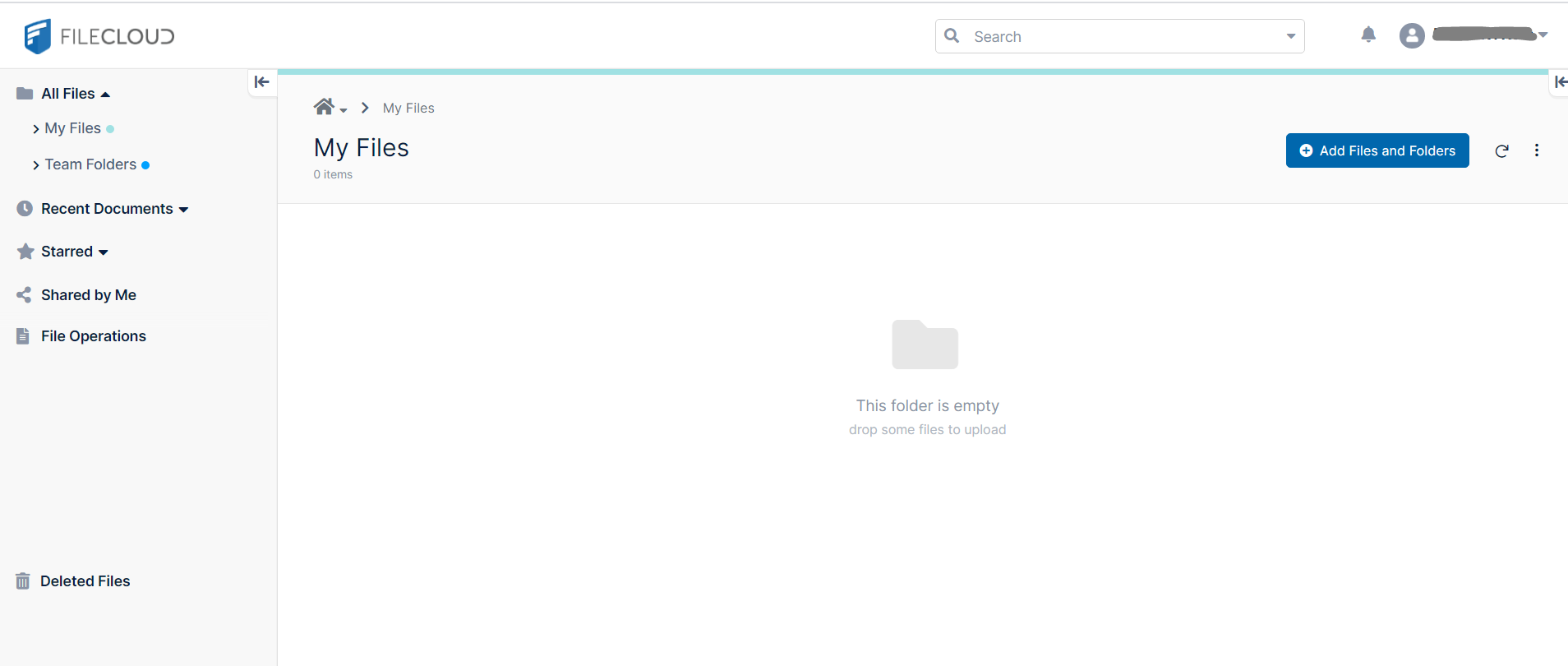


Figure : My Files Workspace

1. Within the Team Folders folder, find your Contract Name Folder and click your Contract Name folder, or its associated link, see Figure 5. You will see the workspace where document files are stored.

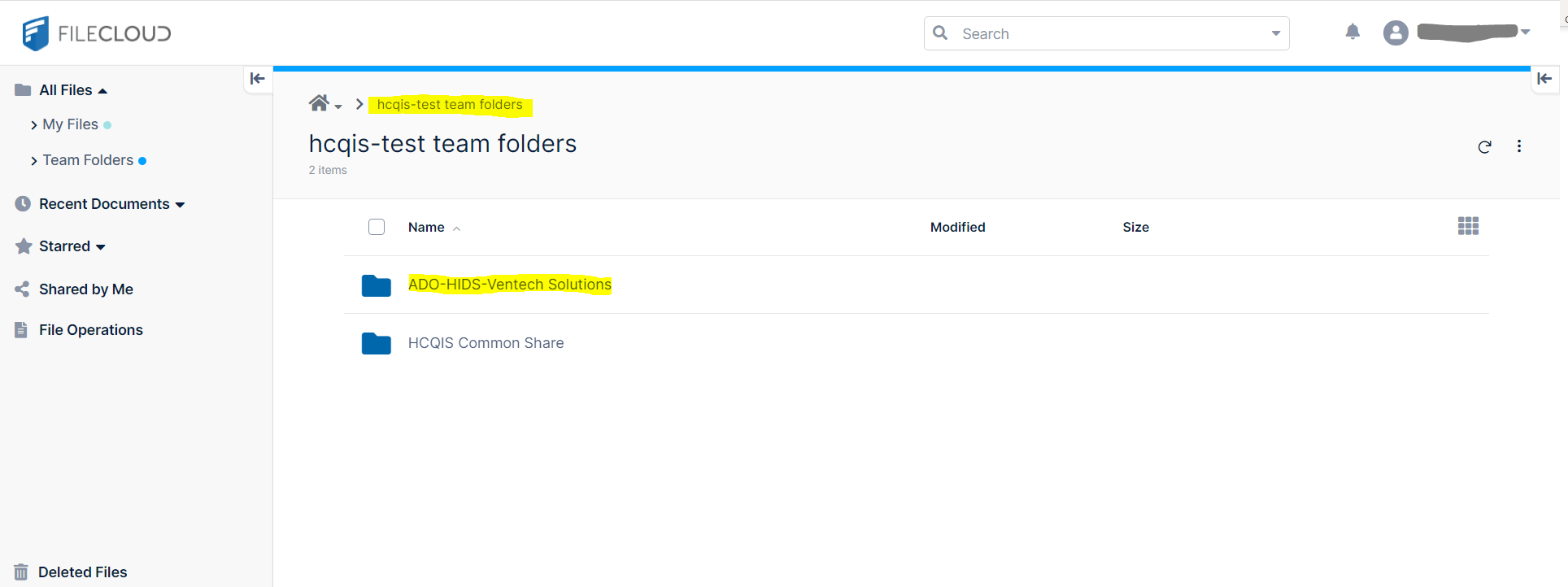


Figure : Contract Name Folder Workspace

1. In the Filecloud team folder , select the **Folder** then hover the action properties from drop-down list.

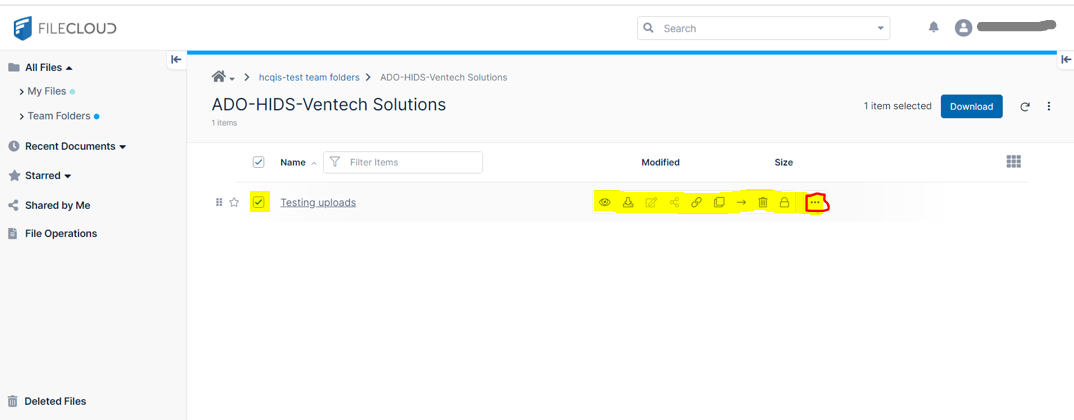


Figure : Folder Actions Drop-down List

1. • Click **New Folder** in the **Add Files and Folders**. The New Folder window displays (see Figure 7).

NOTE: You can also create new folders by right-clicking in the workspace and selecting New Folder from the drop-down menu.

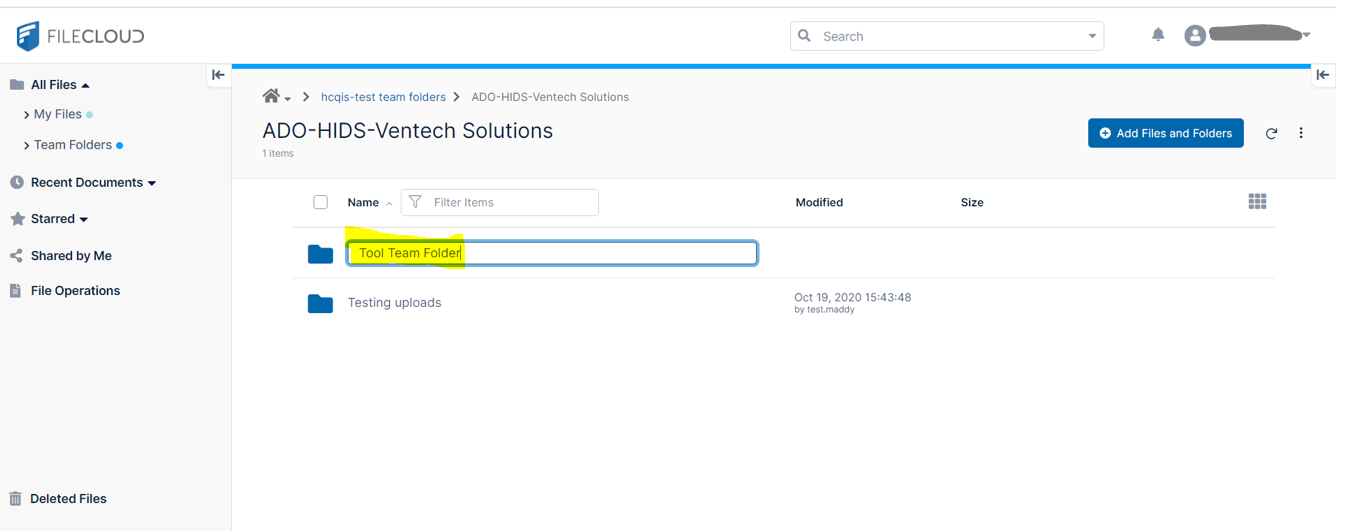


Figure : New Folder Window

1. In the Folder Name field, enter the preferred name for the new folder then enter button (see Figure 7).
2. The new subfolder displays within your folder—see Figure 8.

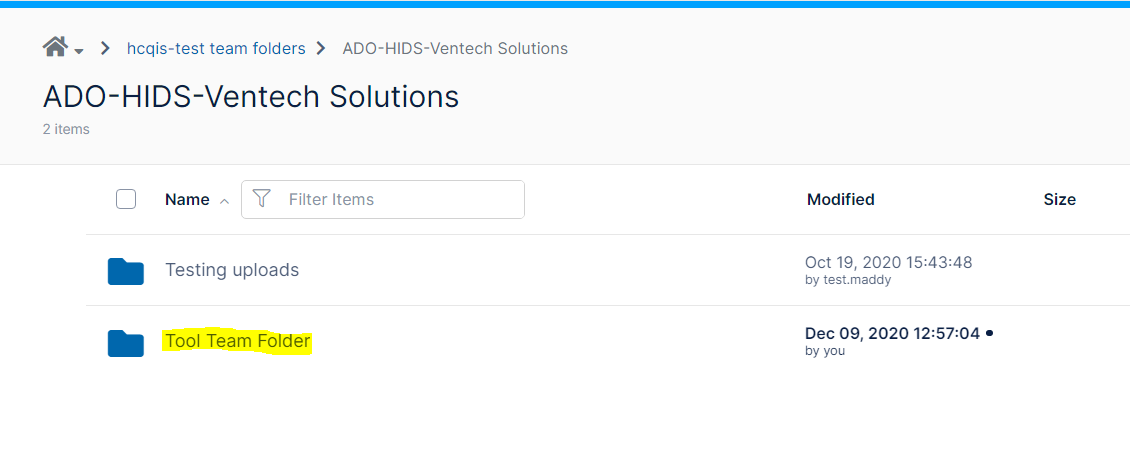


Figure : Newly Created Subfolder

1. Click your new folder or its link. The folder workspace displays (Figure 9). You may begin uploading files to your new folder according to the directions in the next section.

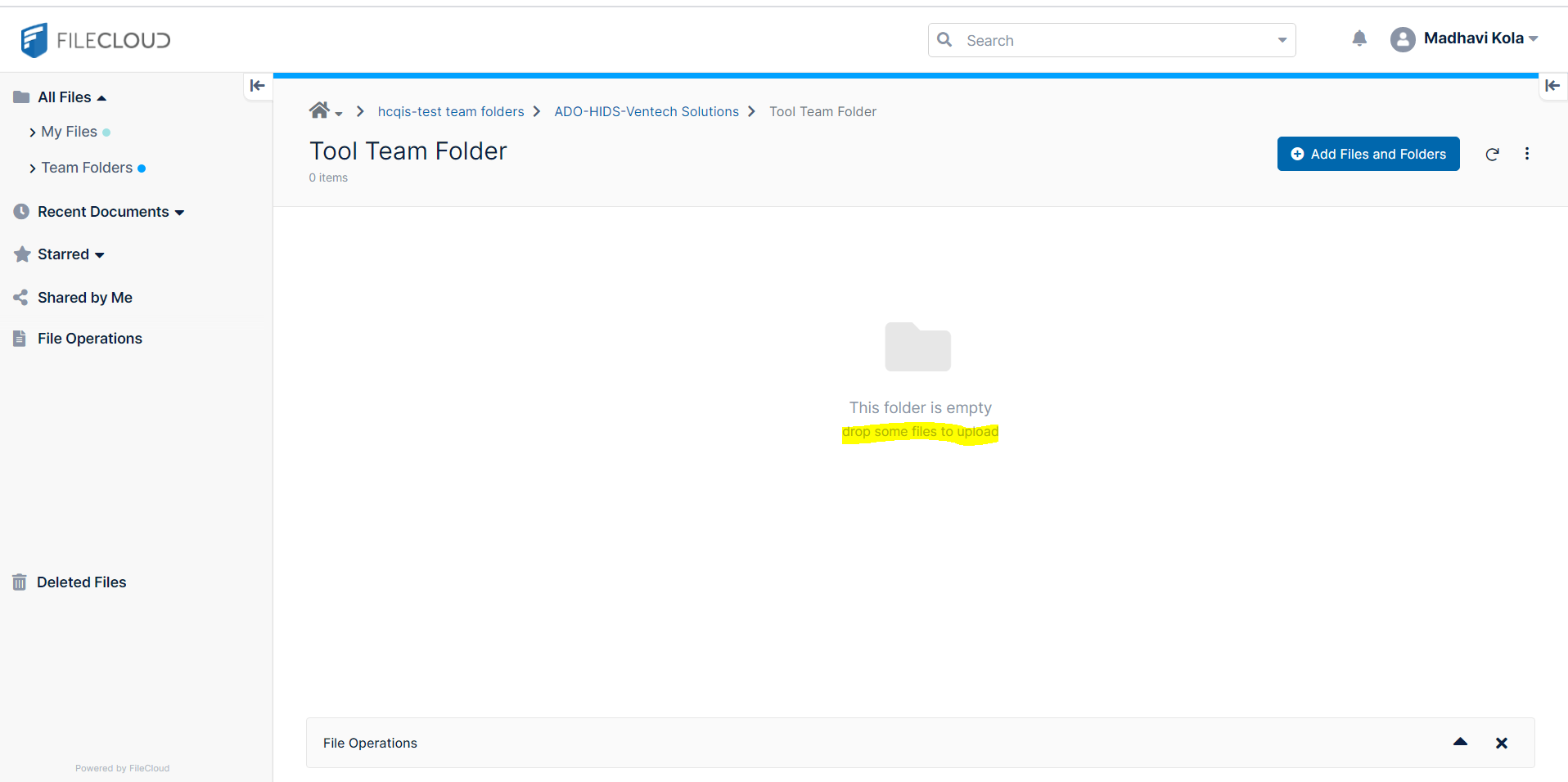


Figure : New Folder Workspace

# Uploading Folders/Files

FileCloud allows you to upload Folder/Files :

* Drag and drop from Windows Explorer

## Drag and Drop from Windows Explorer

To drag and drop your file(s) into a FileCloud folder, perform the following steps.

1. Make sure FileCloud is opened at the workspace for the folder where you want to upload the folder.
2. Open Windows Explorer and locate the folder where your file resides.
3. Click on the file in Widows Explorer and drag it to the FileCloud folder.
4. The Upload Queue window displays—see Figure 10.



Figure : Upload Queue Progress Window

1. Once the Upload Queue window reaches 100%, it closes automatically and your folder displays in the FileCloud folder‑see Figure 11.

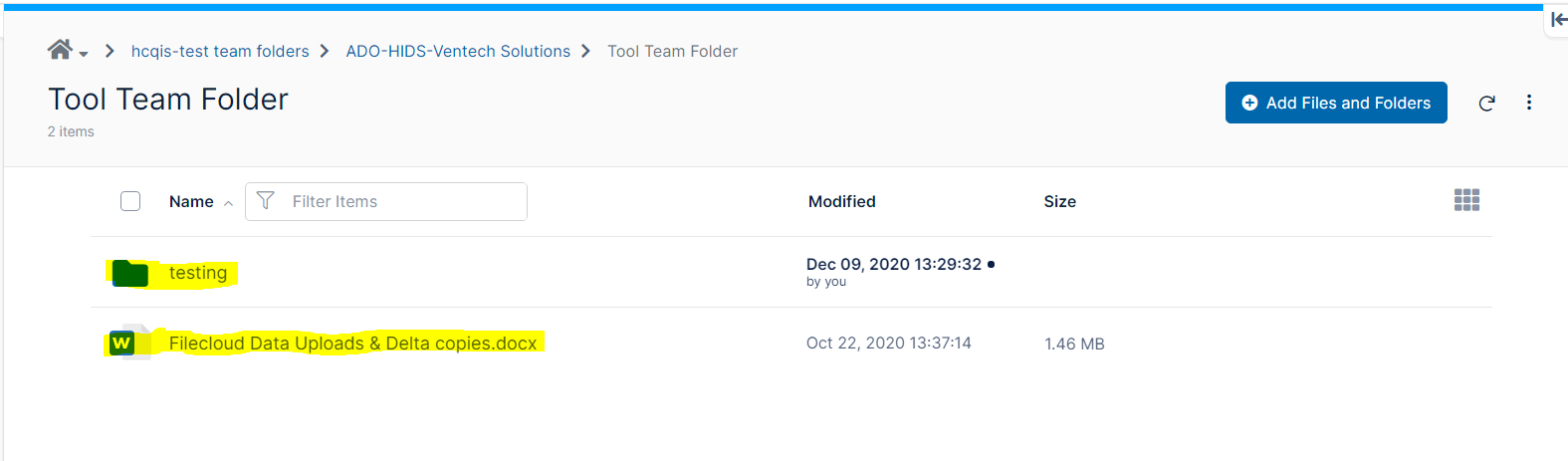


Figure : Team Folder with Newly Uploaded Folder

## Upload File

If you want to use the Upload button to upload files, follow these steps.

1. Click the **Upload** button on the upper right side of the screen.

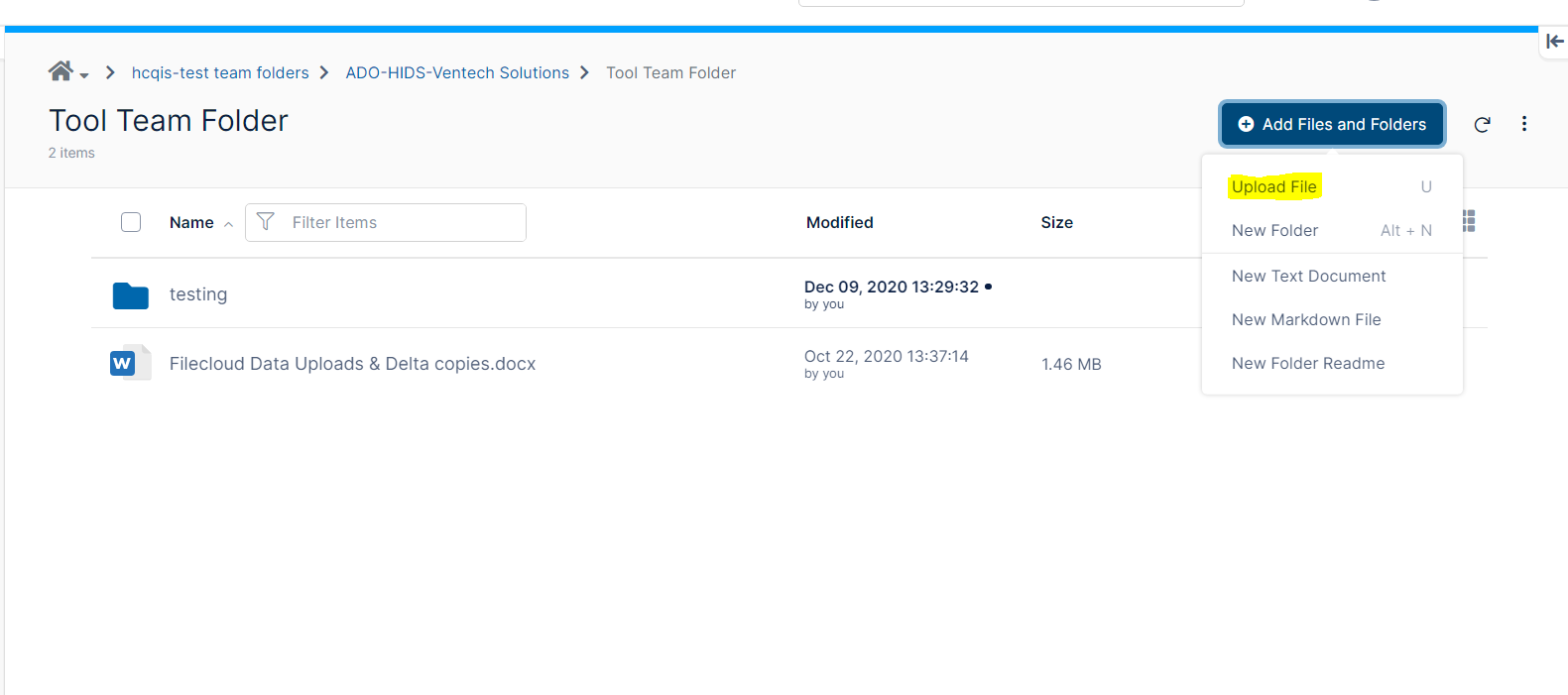


Figure : Upload Button

1. This opens a Windows Explorer window where you can choose the file you want to upload.

Figure : Open Window

1. Highlight the file you want to upload and click the **Open** button in the lower right.
2. The Upload Queue window displays to show the upload progress for the file.



Figure : Upload Queue Progress Window

1. Once the Upload Queue window reaches 100%, it closes automatically and your file displays in the FileCloud folder.

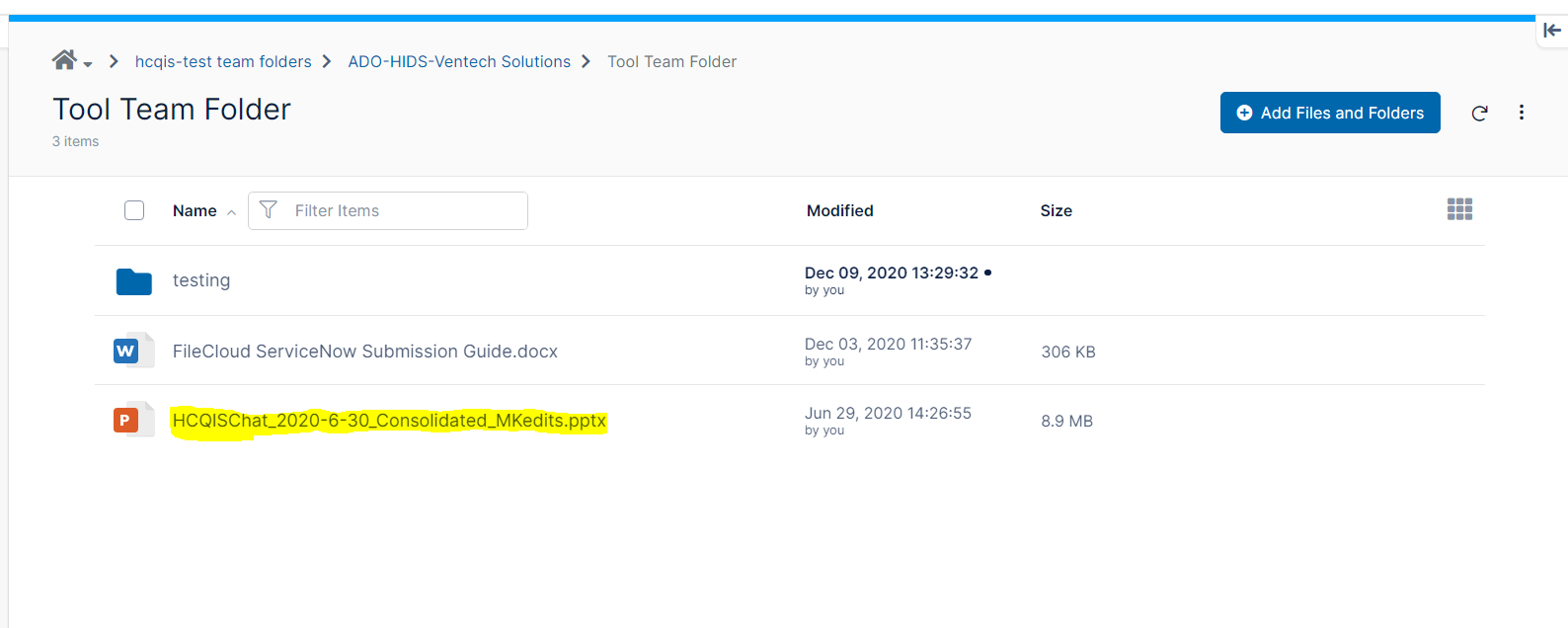


Figure : My Files Folder with Newly Uploaded File

# Other FileCloud Tasks

To Move, Copy, or Delete a folder or file, perform the following steps.

1. Click the file or folder that you wish to move, copy, or delete. The file/folder is highlighted after you hover on it.
2. Click above the file or folder, and the File Options menu displays—see Figure 16.

NOTE: You can also display the File Options drop-down menu by right-clicking on the file/folder.

1. Select **Move**, **Copy**, or **Delete** from the File Options drop-down menu.

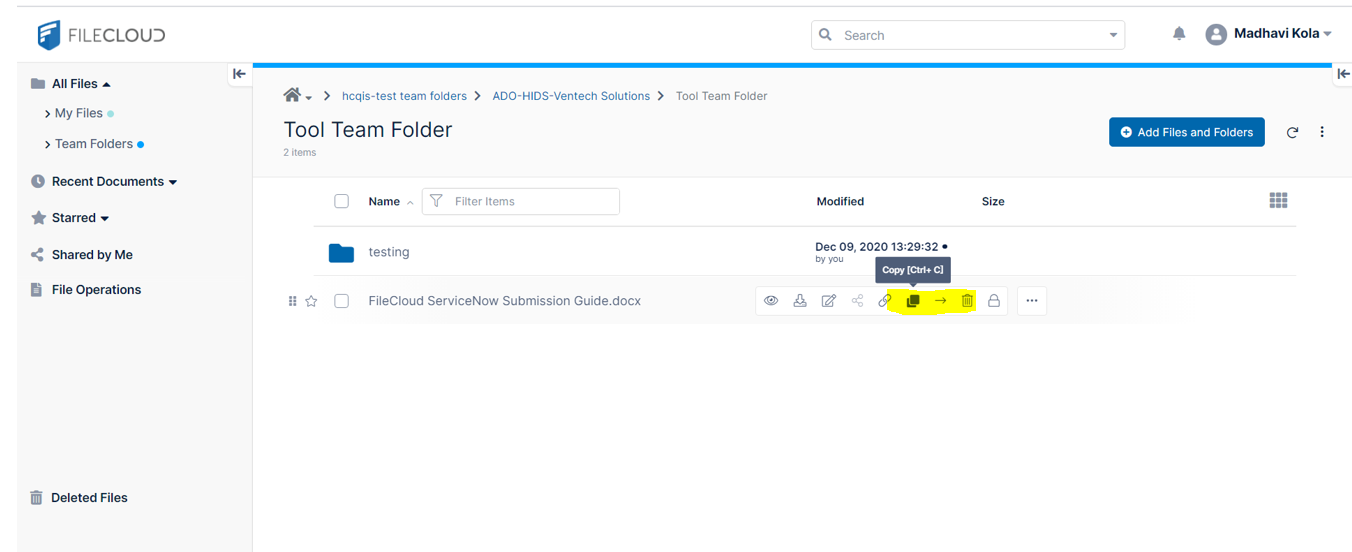


Figure : More File / Folder Drop-Down Options

For the remaining steps, follow the appropriate subsection depending on whether you are moving, copying, or deleting a file.

## Move File

To move a file from one location to another, do as follows.

1. When you choose the **Move** selection from the File Options , the following window appears.

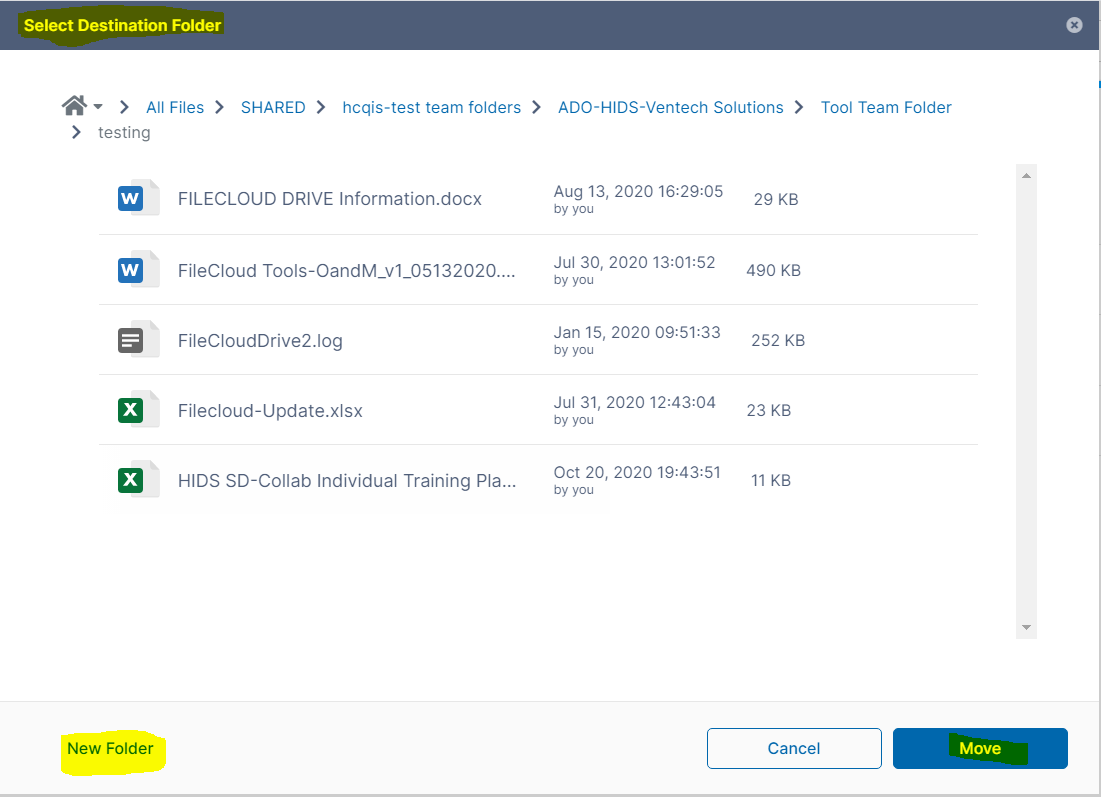


Figure : Move Files Window – Folder Selection

1. Highlight the folder to which you want to move the file. This is the destination folder.
2. Click the **Select** button.
3. A message displays showing you the progress.

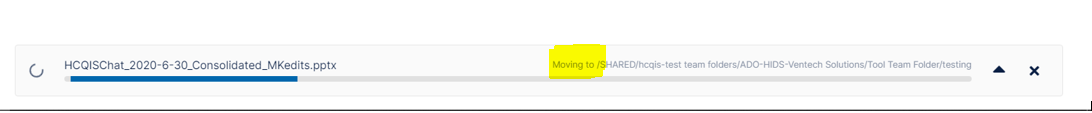


Figure : Move Files Progress Message

1. When the move is complete, the message clears. The file is removed from the source folder and appears in the destination folder.xd

## Copy File

To copy a file from one location to another, follow these procedures.

1. When you choose the **Copy** selection from the File/Folder Options , the following window appears.

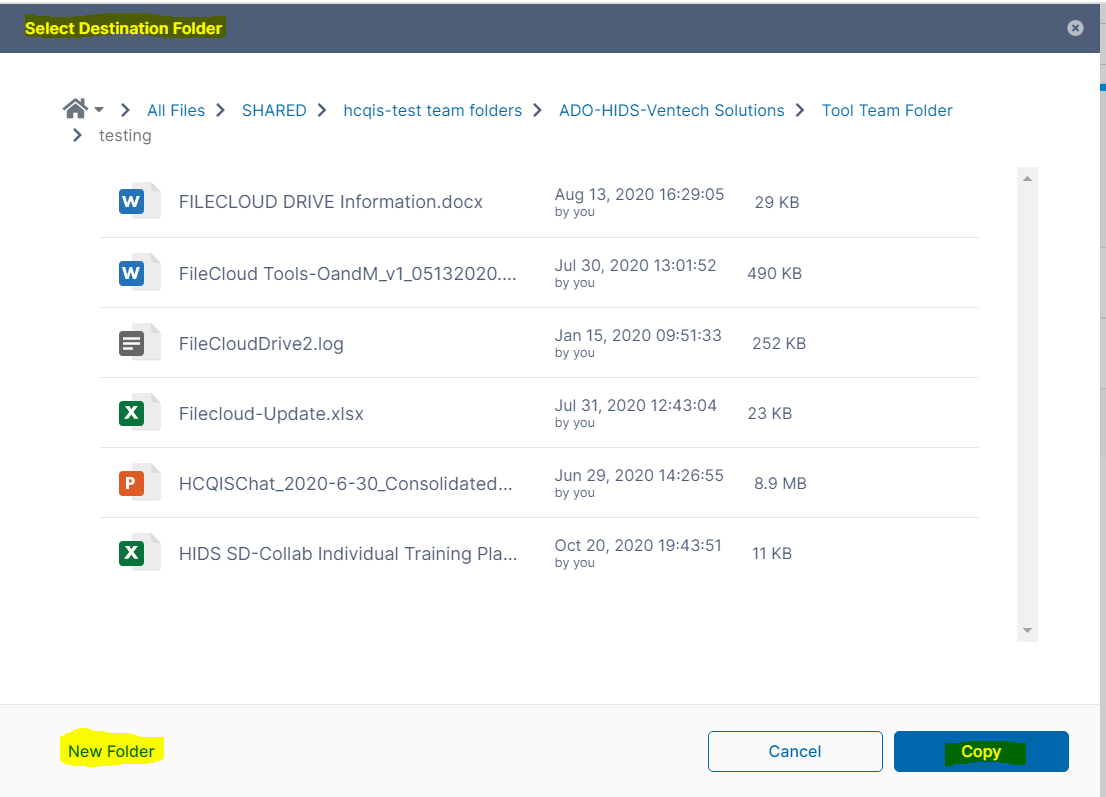


Figure : Copy Files Window – Folder Selection

1. Highlight the folder to which you want to copy the file. This is the destination folder.
2. Click the **Paste** button. The next window appears.
3. If the source and destination folders are different, the copy begins. Go to step 4.
4. If the source and destination folders are the same, the following window appears.

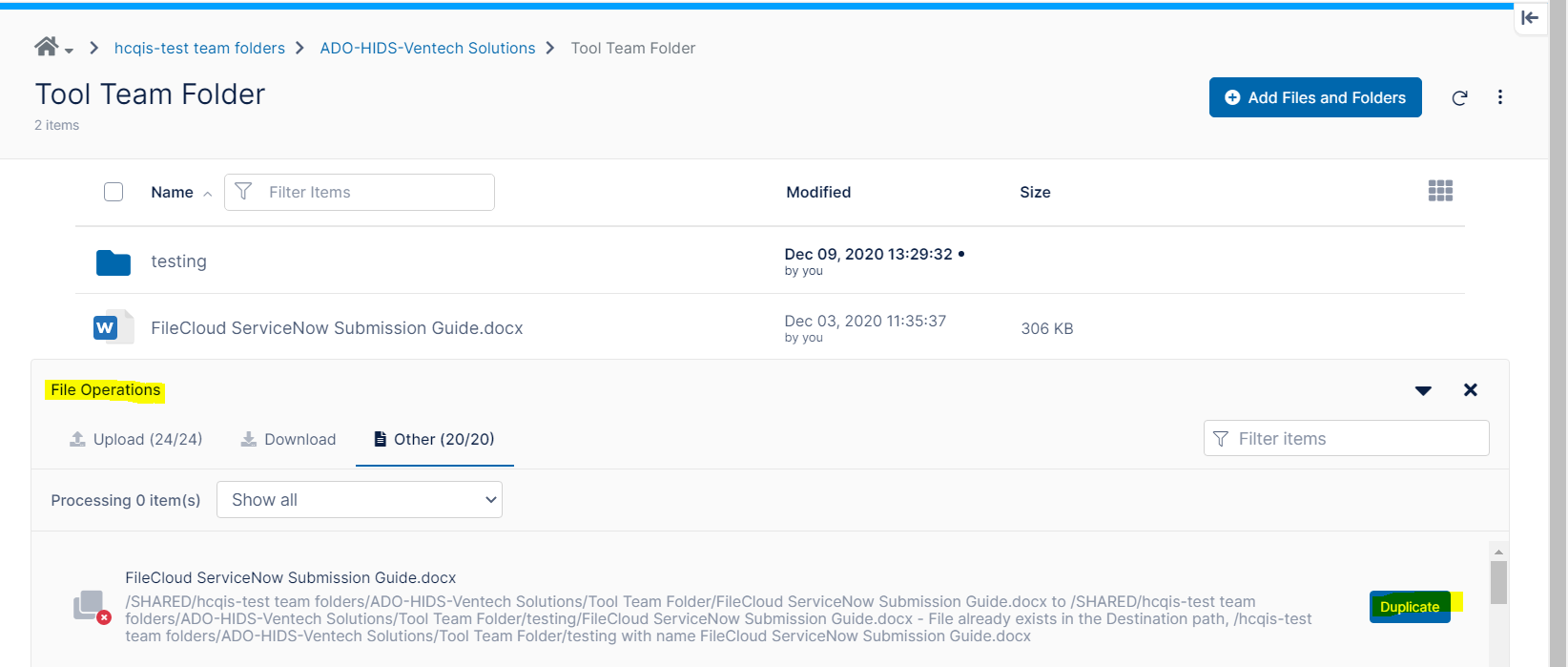


Figure : Copy Window when Source and Destination Folders are the Same

You have the choice of keeping the same file name. Click **Duplicate** to continue.. If you kept the same name with document name

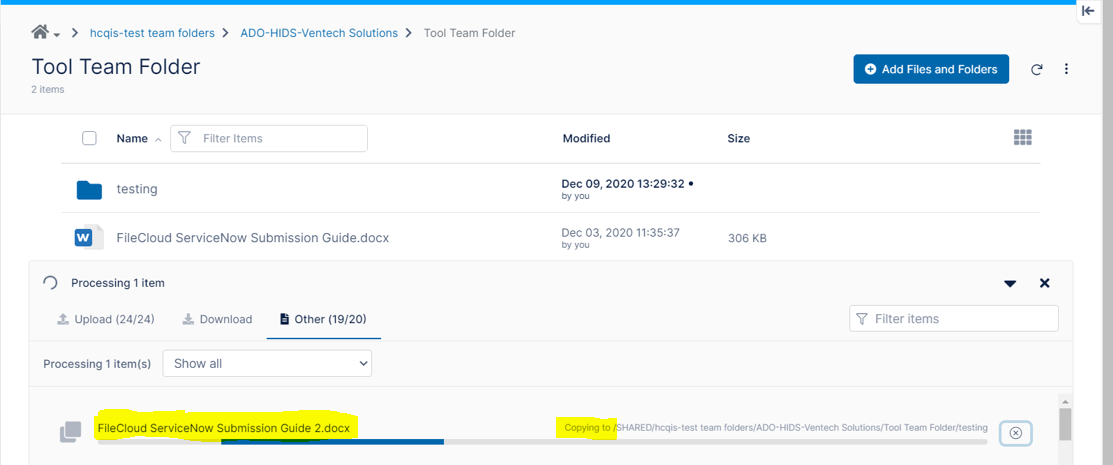


Figure : Confirmation Message for Overwriting Existing File

Click **OK** to start the copy— go to step 4.

1. When the copy starts, a message displays showing you the progress.

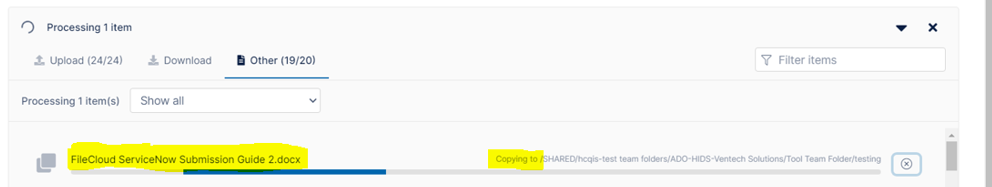


Figure : Copy Files Progress Message

1. When the copy is complete, the message clears. The file stays in the source folder and a copy appears in the destination folder.

## Delete File

The following steps instruct you on deleting a file.

1. When you choose the **Delete** selection from the File Options, the following window appears.

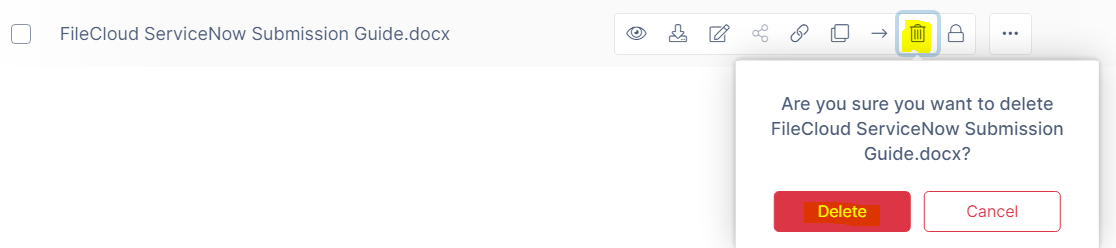


Figure : Confirm Delete Message

1. Click **Delete** to confirm that you want to delete the file. The following window appears to show you the progress.



Figure : Delete Files Progress Message

1. When the process is complete, the message clears and the file is removed from the folder.

## Lock File

### Locking Overview

Locking is available for both files and folders and signifies that you are actively using that file or folder. If you lock a file/folder, you are still able to access it but other users are prevented from accessing it.

When a file or folder is locked:

* A lock icon is shown in the file listing.
* The owner of the lock is shown in the details panel on the right-hand side.
* The owner of the lock has full access to that file or folder and can modify it.
* A lock can be set up to prevent reads by other users. In that case, other users cannot download or view the locked file or folder.
* Only the user who locked the file can permanently edit it. Any changes made by users with read-only permissions are not saved.

The following table shows the behavior depending on the type of lock.

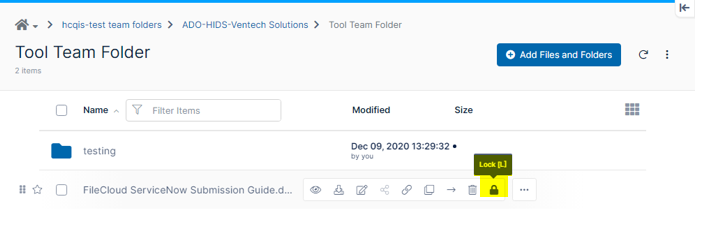
Table : Lock Behavior

| Lock with read allowed | Access by lock owner | Access by others |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Yes | Full access to the file is available. Share/Sync/Edit/Deletes allowed | Only read is allowed. No modification is allowed |
| No | Full access to the file is available. Share/Sync/Edit/Deletes allowed | No access is provided . All access using all clients are blocked. |

### Locking a File or Folder

To lock a file or folder, use the following steps.

1. Select the file or folder.
2. In the menu …, select **Lock.**



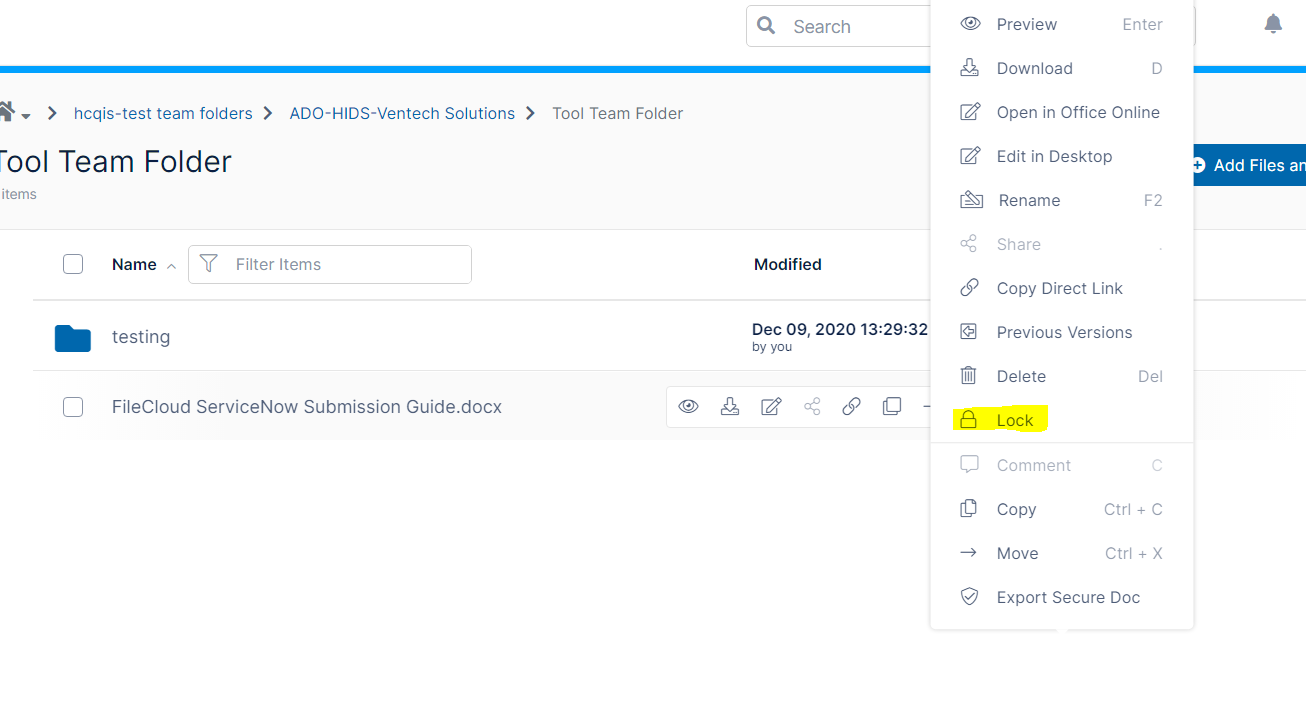


Figure : Locking a File or Folder

1. Fill out the fields in the window that appears.
2. **Prevent others from downloading this while locked:** Put a checkmark in this field to prevent all reads as well as writes to the file or folder. This is very restrictive in its behavior. If you do not put a checkmark in this field, then other users can view file/folder content but not modify it.
3. **Never(Expires) / On Expires:** If you choose **Never**, the file/folder will be locked until you unlock it, as described in Section 5.4.4. If you choose **On**, the file will be unlocked automatically after the number of days you specify.

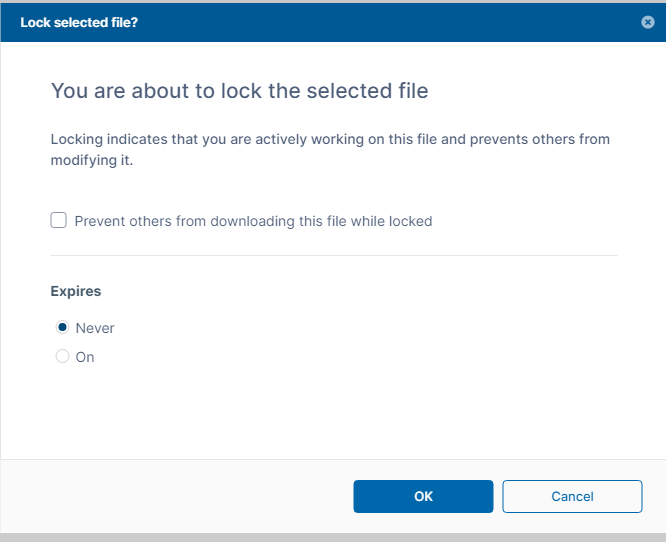


Figure : Lock File Window

1. After filling out the window, click **OK**.
2. A message will indicate if the lock is successful or not and a Lock icon will appear. Selecting the file or folder will also show the owner of the lock as well as the type of lock (Read allowed or not).

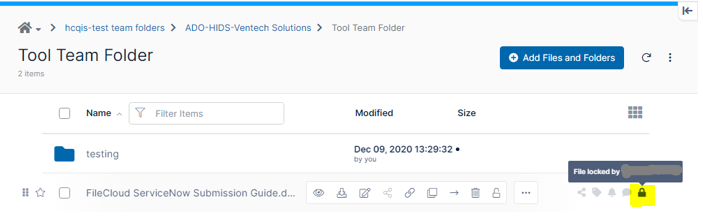


Figure : File/Folder Lock Indicator

At this point, all clients (Web Application, Cloud Drive, Cloud Sync, Mobile clients, WebDAV) will be subject to the lock restrictions. (Only the owner access using these clients is allowed.)

If a folder is locked, no files in that folder or its subfolder can be locked. Furthermore, none of the parent folder tree can be locked. (For example, for a folder structure of A\_Folder/B\_Folder/C\_Folder/D\_Folder, if “C\_Folder” is locked by USER1, then none of A\_Folder, B\_Folder, D\_Folder can be locked by USER2 until the lock of “C\_Folder” is released.

To change a lock property (such as disallow read or change expiration), the lock has to be released and then the file/folder has to be re-locked.

### Viewing Locked Files and Folders

To view all locks in the system via the web browser, do as follows.

1. Click on the user account drop down button.

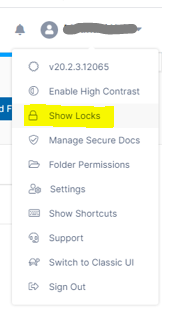


Figure : Show Locks Selection

1. Click on **Show Locks.**

#### To Filter User Locks

To filter the locks view with respect to the lock path, type in the lock path in the “Filter” textbox.

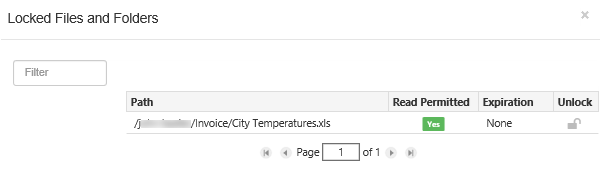


Figure 27: Lock Path

### Unlocking a File or Folder

Once a file or folder is locked, it can be unlocked only by the owner of lock or by administrator.

#### Administrator

To unlock a file or folder as Administrator, read the article on [Managing User Locks](https://www.getfilecloud.com/supportdocs/display/cloud/Managing+User+Locks).

#### Lock Owner

If you are the user who locked the file/folder, use the following procedures to unlock it.

1. Navigate to the page containing the file or folder.
2. Select the file or folder.
3. Under the **More** drop-down menu, select **Unlock.**



Figure : Unlock File or Folder

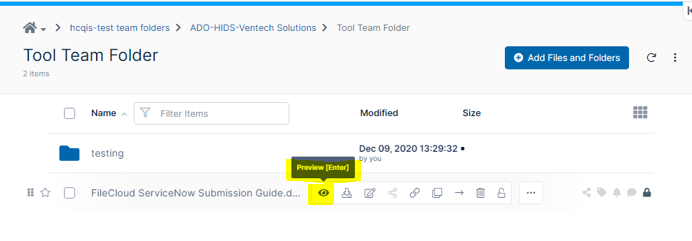
NOTE: Please call the QualityNet Help Desk if you need a file or folder unlocked and are not the owner of the lock.  
  
QualityNet Help Desk  
8 a.m. – 8 p.m. ET | Monday – Friday  
[qnetsupport@hcqis.org](mailto:qnetsupport@hcqis.org) | (866) 288-8912

## File Share

The share feature was disabled from the beginning per CMS and is not available in FileCloud due to security concerns. Sharing files from org to org in an ad hoc fashion is not permitted as CMS wants to be able to track any sharing. QualityNet Help Desk can reach for any ad hoc file sharing.

## [Preview a File in the User Dashboard](https://www.getfilecloud.com/supportdocs/display/cloud/Preview+a+File+in+the+User+Dashboard)

After you select a file in the User Portal, a Preview button is available.



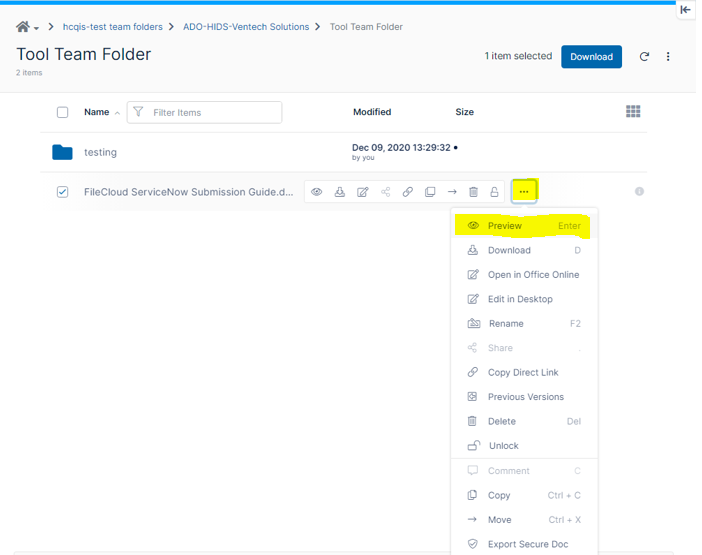


Figure 29: Preview Button

Click the **Preview** button to open a separate window showing a preview image of the file. You cannot edit the preview image.

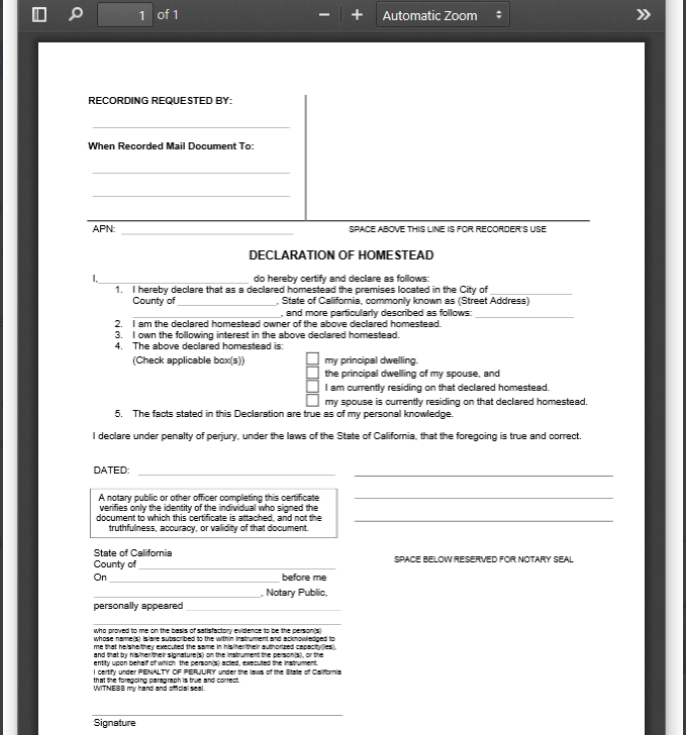


Figure 0: File Preview

FileCloud allows to view the following document types only via web browser:

* .AI
* .DICOM
* .DOC
* .DOCX
* .PDF
* .PPT
* .PPTX
* .PSD
* .XLS
* .XLSX

## Create New Text Document,New MarkdownFile,New Folder Readme

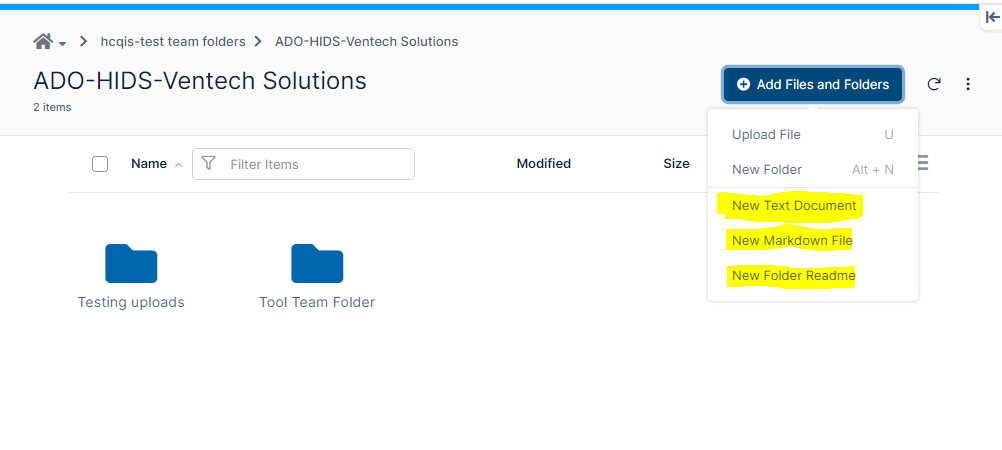
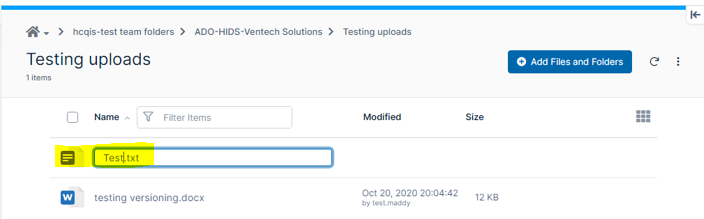
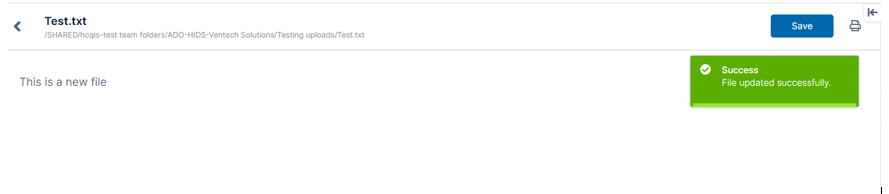
In the upper right corner, select the button with your Add Files and Folders. Select any of the document type which you want to create 

Figure 1: Add Documents

* Click on New Text Document ,that will create a .txt name the file and hit enter that will open the file





* After saving it closes automatically and your file displays in the FileCloud folder

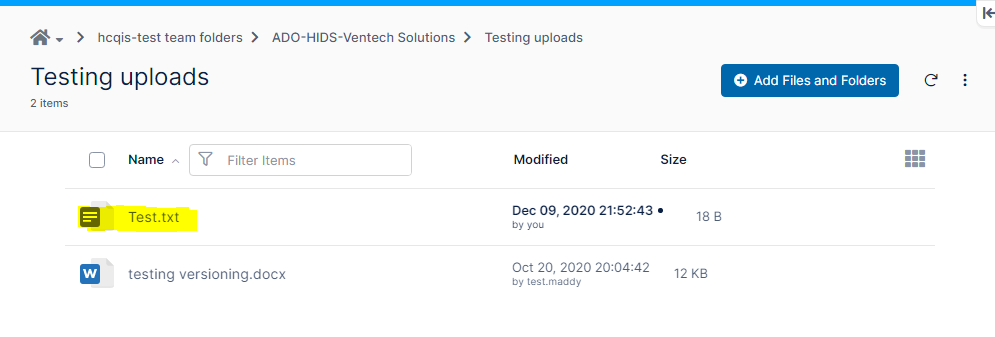


Figure 2: NewText Document

* Follow the same instructions for the Markdown file,Readme file.

# Dashboard Navigation

To learn more about dashboard navigation, use the following link to access the *FileCloud User Guide*:

<https://getfilecloud.com/supportdocs/display/cloud/FileCloud+Server+User+Guide>

To access FileCloud documentation within the FileCloud Web Application, perform the following steps.

1. In the upper right corner, select the button with your User Name. The FileCloud drop-down displays, see Figure 35.
2. Select **Help & Support** from the FileCloud drop-down list.
3. A new browser tab will open with the full list of FileCloud Support Documentation.

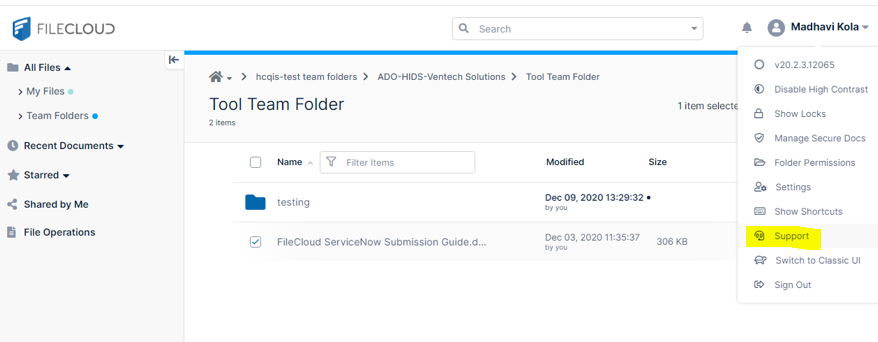


Figure 3: FileCloud Help & Support Selection

**Note:** There is an User-controlled setting that enables users who want to use the classic interface to switch back to it. For User guide for Classic UI:



# [User Session Expiration](https://www.getfilecloud.com/supportdocs/display/cloud/User+Session+Expiration)

## Default Behavior

By default, when a user logs in to FileCloud, his/her session remains authenticated for a specified amount of time.

Table : Session Expiration

| Device | Time Session is Valid |
| --- | --- |
| Web Browser | Specified by the value in Session Timeout in days setting. If the browser is closed, the session expires. |
| All other apps and clients | Does not expire. Session lasts until user logs out from app. |

NOTE: A user must close the browser in order to sign out (log out).

# FileCloud Drive

You can use FileCloud Drive to store, access, and share files to collaborate with the people with whom you work and share data.

* FileCloud Drive is a client application. This is because it allows you to access the FileCloud Server and the files you store there.
* You can access files in Drive like you do on a Windows PC in Windows Explorer.
* The same features that are available on the User Portal are also available in Drive.
* Drive allows you to easily open the User Portal if you need to.
* Drive includes an assistant to make it easy to access Drive files from Microsoft applications.
* FileCloud Drive allows you to access all the files in your FileCloud server like you work with your files in Windows.
* Generally, we are used to working with Windows File Explorer, but changing to a web based user interface (UI) reduces efficiency. You have to download files from FileCloud first and then modify and upload it back to FileCloud. This can be improved when you work with FileCloud Drive. You can actually edit files the same way like you generally edit files on a Windows PC.

Table : FileCloud Server vs. Windows PC Using FileCloud Drive

| This is how files are accessible on browser when it's on FileCloud Server | FileCloud Server looks like this in Windows PC using FileCloud Drive |
| --- | --- |
| FileCloud Server view | FileCloud Drive view |

* You can access the following FileCloud options in Drive's Explorer window when you right-click on a file or folder:

Table : FileCloud Options for Files and Folders

| Files | Folders |
| --- | --- |
| Share FileCloud Drive Link  View FileCloud Drive Properties | Share FileCloud Drive Link  Search FileCloud Drive Site  View FileCloud Drive Properties |

You can find additional information for FileCloud Drive using the following link:

GOTO: [Filecloud Drive](https://www.getfilecloud.com/supportdocs/display/cloud/FileCloud+Drive/)

Please do not use the install or installation steps in the URL link above to install FileCloud Drive. Please use the FileCloud Drive installation guide to install FileCloud.

NOTE: Per CMS’s advice, “Allow Share” is not enabled; “Allow Upload” is enabled and should meet users’ needs.

1. Record of Changes

Table : Record of Changes

| Version | Date | Author/Owner | Description of Change |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1.0 | 10/30/2019 | Ops-Tools Team | Initial version |
| 1.1.4 | 02/25/2020 | Geoffrey Davenport/ OPS-Tools Team | Locking feature documentation; addition of QNet Help Desk info |
| 1.1.4 | 03/11/2020 | Ops-Tools Team | Added instructions on File Share |
| 1.1.5 | 04/10/2020 | Ops-Tools Team | Added instructions for File Preview |
| 1.1.5 | 04/10/2020 | Ops-Tools Team | Added instructions for FileCloud Drive |
| 2.0 | 04/15/2020 | Ops-Tools Team | New released version |
| 2.1 | 07/08/2020 | Service Delivery & Collab team | New released version  -Added 5.5.1,2,3 Email Notification  -Updated Figures 17,18 33,34 Copy & Move dialog instructions available |

1. Acronyms

Table : Acronyms

| Acronym | Definition |
| --- | --- |
| CMS | Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services |
| FC | FileCloud |
| HARP | HCQIS Access Roles & Profile |
| HCQIS | Health Care Quality Information Systems |
| HIDS | HCQIS Infrastructure and Data Center Support |
| QualityNet Help Desk | Managed File Transfer |
| SO | Security Officer |
| UI | User Interface |
| URL | Uniform Resource Locator (web address) |