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-Client Sign On training site.

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AR, AP, and GL Enhancements and Capabilities in ECS

As promised, new enhancements in our GL, AP, and AR systems have been implemented - and more are on the way!

ECS Accounts Receivable

The ECS Accounts Receivable module is linked directly to your clinical record. Data from Demographics, Face Sheets, Diagnosis, Nurse Charting, MDS, Therapy and more, is used to produce charges, populate invoices and financial forms. Resident records follow them through your continuum of care. ECS's flexible reporting options allow reports to combine data across services or be separated by service. ECS's Financial reports export to Microsoft Excel and can be saved as a PDF. UB04s and 1500s can be batched and sent electronically to any intermediary from ECS. Electronic Remittance Advice files can be imported, making payment posting quick, easy, and accurate. ECS's Trust Account module is included and can be used across services. Transactions posted in Accounts Receivable are posted directly to the General Ledger. ECS's integration between your clinical and financial record, increases revenue, reduces the amount of data entry, minimizes the potential for user error, and the time it takes to complete billing. Faster, more accurate, claim generation means faster payments and reduced outstanding Accounts Receivables.

ECS Accounts Payable

The ECS Accounts Payable module uses the concepts of the Accounts Receivable module and applies them to Vendors and Providers, streamlining the learning and workflow of the users. ECS's Accounts Payable module allows for easy invoice data entry and vendor profile information or the ability to import this information. ECS's flexible reporting capabilities allow for customized checks and the ability to see outstanding invoices for one service or all services in your organization. ECS can send payments via paper check or ACH transactions and payments can be made on your schedule. Accounts Payable transactions post directly to the General Ledger reducing data entry and the potential for error, allowing you to generate accurate, up to the minute, reports within one financial system.

ECS General Ledger

The ECS General Ledger is tied directly to the Accounts Receivable, Trust Account, and Accounts Payable modules eliminating the need to manually enter transactions. ECS's Integration with these modules allows you to efficiently manage all accounting functions in one package. General Journal and Payroll Entries can be entered manually and/or imported. With ECS, budgets can be updated and/or imported based on your account numbers and Fiscal Period. Bank Reconciliation is quick and easy. ECS uses your Chart of Accounts allowing for financial statements to be customized based on your organization's structure. Detailed transactions can be found by drilling down in any General Ledger report and exporting to Microsoft Excel is standard. ECS provides one complete clinical and financial system.

Can't make it to our AR webinar demo below? No worries! You can request a demo at anytime.

SCHEDULE A DEMO TODAY!

Upcoming Webinars

Accounts Receivable Demo

Session Date: Wednesday, October 13th (1:00pm- 2:00pm CST)

SIGN UP TODAY

ECS Updates and Industry News

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RATE CHANGES

Update Flu Vaccine Rates - Effective 08/01/2021

Flu Vaccine rates have changed effective 08/01/2021. You need to update your Medicare (B) Fee Schedule in ECS to calculate the correct reimbursement. Flu vaccine rates can be updated using Charge Master or the values tab in word properties. If you need assistance with updating the rates, please feel free to contact American Data's Financial Support department by emailing **financial@american-data.com**. Reference the **CMS website** with information related to the updated rates.

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NEW Pfizer Booster - Approved 09/22/2021

American Data is aware a Pfizer Booster was approved for administration effective 09/22/2021. If your facility plans to administer the Pfizer Booster, please reach out to us at **clinical@american-data.com** so we can update your immunization topic. The setups will not be billable as long as your facility has had American Data staff build the original Covid-19 immunization words.

If your facility has not yet had us set up the Covid-19 Immunization words, please reach out to us to get this completed.
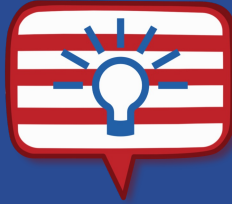
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Update PPS PDPM Rates - Effective 10/01/2021

The PPS PDPM Rates are changing **effective 10/01/2021** and need to be updated in ECS. The rates are used in your PDPM Analyzer and to calculate charges, if you use the ECS Accounts Receivable module. You must enter the new rates before you calculate for October 2021 dates of service. If you are not currently using the ECS Accounts Receivable module and would like information, please contact us by emailing **financial@american-data.com**.
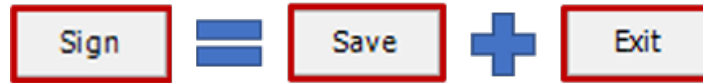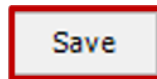
RATE CHANGES

ECS Tip of the Month

Each month, staff at American Data share lesser-known features of ECS to help the charting and billing process go smoothly.

Let's settle the debate: Sign, Save, and Exit in ECS

Many users have a misconception the "Sign" button has legal cosigning power behind it in the charting area. However, this button is not to be feared!

Sign = **Save** + **Exit**

In ECS, "Sign" is simply a combination of "Save" and "Exit" which will save your entry into the chart and exit the screen you are in.

Save

Clicking "Save" will save your entry into the medical record. Save can be used by itself to save an entry when you'd prefer not to leave the screen you are on.

Exit

Clicking on "Exit" will close the screen you have open, but will not save your entry. You may complete an entry by using "Save" and then "Exit."

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American Data Partnership with VerifyCare

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American Data is attended the Leading Age of Wisconsin Fall Convention in Green Bay on October 7th and attended the WHCA (Wisconsin Health Care Association) Fall Convention in Elkhart Lake on September 30th with the introduction of their partnership with VerifyCare. VerifyCare is an app and a browser system used for monitoring care provided in a home environment. VerifyCare offers a team approach where facilities (with the browser version) and families (with the app version) can utilize this comprehensive tool in monitoring care after discharge and promote proactive family care. This provides a way for Nursing Homes and Assisted Living facilities to reach out to the community and expand services in this era of emphasis on home care. The partnership also allows ECS users to take advantage of a healthy 50% discount off a VerifyCare business web version.

Contact American Data at info@american-data.com or call 1-800-464-9942 for more information.

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We'll see you at the Conference!

LeadingAge Wisconsin Fall Conference 2021
Stop at our booth! Chat with our knowledgeable staff at the LeadingAge Wisconsin Fall Conference October 7th in Green Bay, WI at the KI Convention center.

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Deficiency-Free Survey Awards

Many ECS Facilities receive perfect surveys. Did your facility? Let us know!
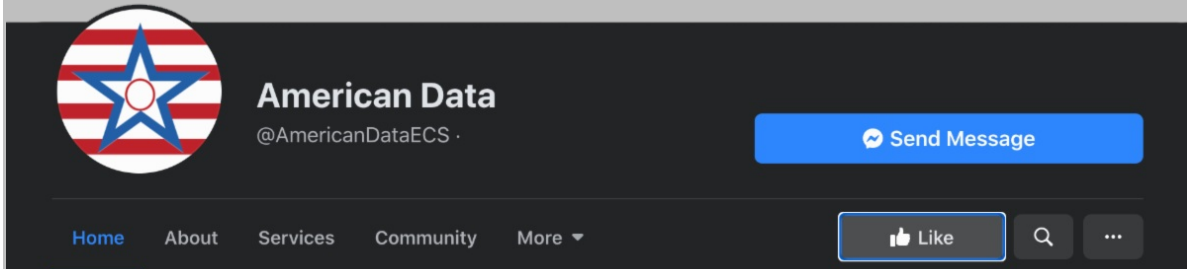Please let us know of your facility's Deficiency-Free Survey and/or Most Improved Survey so we can share your successes! Send an email to **cares@american-data.com.**

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