



ECS Monthly Newsletter

The latest in ECS news, technology, and industry updates.

March 2022



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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!



Watch our video above outlining new enhancements and capabilities in the Accounts Receivable, Accounts Payable, and General Ledger Modules. For more information, contact us to schedule a demo today!

[SCHEDULE A DEMO TODAY!](#)

Upcoming Webinars



Clinical FAQ and Answers

Session Date: Wednesday, March 9th
(1:00 - 2:00 pm CST)

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ECS Updates and Industry News

Feedback From Our Clients

"I wanted to take a moment to let you know about our experience with the ECS nursing module upgrade. Jacquelyn, Clinical Training Consultant, has been professional, accommodating, very knowledgeable, and immensely helpful in our nursing module upgrade. She values our nursing engagement in customizing the documentation that works for them and also highlights your product in an uplifting and supportive manner. She is immediately responsive to all questions and seeks solutions, explaining the why.

Please extend our thanks to her for steadfast excellence in training and follow-up which I believe will impact the successful use of the nursing documentation module further impacting our facility's outcomes and staff satisfaction. Her expertise and demeanor would make me come back to American Data every single time.

Thank you,
Ann-Marie Gould West, MSN, LNHA"

Way to go, Jacquelyn! American Data welcomes all feedback to help us improve and know what works best for our clients.

Do you have feedback for American Data?
Contact cares@american-data.com or click below to send us an email.

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New & Notable Clinical Features



COVID-19 Staff Matrix

CMS has added staff vaccination data to the updated survey entrance checklist. ECS has created a Human Resources topic and accompanying report to make providing this matrix even easier. Check out the link below to see when this goes into effect in your state. [Effective Dates by State per CMS](#)

INTERACT® Version 4.5

INTERACT® has updated their content to version 4.5 to accommodate COVID and other items. ECS has created up-to-date forms and topics to ensure that your facility has the most up-to-date INTERACT® tools available.



GAD-7 Anxiety Scale



Anxiety is an ever-increasing issue in nearly every demographic. To help our facilities to better identify, document, and effectively manage anxiety among their residents, we now have the GAD-7 Generalized Anxiety Disorder Assessment built in. This assessment is included in New Nursing Module installs and can also be purchased separately, regardless of which module your facility uses.

Suicide Risk Screening

ECS has added new tools to address Suicide Risk among residents. First are the Suicide Risk Screening and Brief Suicide Safety Assessment from the National Institute of Mental Health's ASQ Toolkit. Secondly, we have added the P4 Suicidality Screener. This is an additional 4 questions that accompany the PHQ-9 and are asked when a resident responds in the affirmative to having thoughts that they would be better off dead, or of hurting themselves in some way.

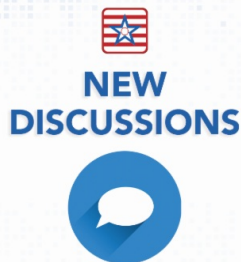


ECS now has a dedicated access screen for Restorative Aide

Restorative Aides can now view assignments, document minutes, and report any concerns to nursing staff all in one dedicated location. Users who work as both CNAs and Restorative Aides can toggle back and forth easily and will also enjoy a new Assignment Sheet specific to restorative users, allowing them to efficiently plan their day. These users can also quickly document any necessary equipment repair or toileting that took place while they were with the resident.

Each of these updates have an average cost of 1 hour of setup time at \$100 per hour. For more information and an estimate specific to your facility, please contact clinical@american-data.com. You can also check out the User Forum on our website for more information.

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NEW ECS User Forum Discussion Threads:

Current Issues & Solutions

If you have ever wondered, "Is American Data aware?" when running into an issue with the latest version of ECS, now you can confirm for yourself! Join our new "Current Issues & Solutions" discussion thread on our ECS User Forum. Follow the Smartsheet in the comments to view the real-time progress of known issues in ECS, discover temporary solutions, and be aware of estimated repair dates. Stay as informed about these issues as our own staff!

What's New & Upcoming

If you are ever curious about upcoming enhancements in the next update, you can now be one of the first to know! Join our new "What's New and Upcoming in ECS?" discussion thread on our ECS User Forum. Follow the Smartsheet in the comments to view a list of enhancements ready to roll out in spring of 2022 with version 10.1.7.0. Additionally, you can find a link to our ECS Wish List. We want to hear your software suggestions!

How do I find the discussion threads?

1. Log into the [Client Sign On](#).
2. Locate the *ECS User Forum* under the *User* tab.
3. Click on *Sign In with American Data User* in the right-hand corner.

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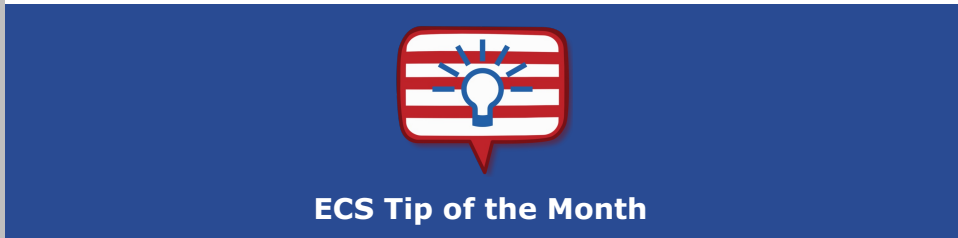
BILLING FOR COVID-19 VACCINES

Billing for COVID-19 Vaccines

If your facility chose not to have setups completed to be able to bill for the Covid-19 vaccines initially, you should look at getting them completed. If your staff administered your boosters, you should be able to bill for them. Please contact American Data's Financial Support to complete the setups.

As of **January 2022**, change to billing for Covid-19 Vaccines for Medicare Advantage plans have been implemented. American Data's Financial Staff will need to make changes to your Covid-19 Vaccine billing setups due to this change. Please contact American Data's [Financial Support Department](#) to get this change completed.

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ECS Tip of the Month

Add Your Users as ECS Providers

Did you know that you can add your users to ECS as providers? This will allow you to keep track of vaccine information, CEUs, or a whole host of other data. You can run even run reports showing both clients and providers to compare information.

Human Resources	Charting	Reports			Chart Review
Administration Menu	New Employee	Education/ Expenses	Employee Data Sheet	Education Totals	Edit Charting
	Pre-Hire	Employee Evals	Benefits Report	CEU Totals	
	Hire/Terminate Employment	Complaint Record	Immunization Record	License Expirations	
	Employee Information	Worker's Compensation Claims	Complaint Record	Evaluations	
	Benefit Enrollment	Confidential Message	Volunteer Information	Attendance Record	
	Immunization Record	Volunteers	Volunteer Minutes	HR Calendar Audits	
	Attendance Record	Employee Health	Employee/ Resident Illness	Reasons for Leaving (Graph)	
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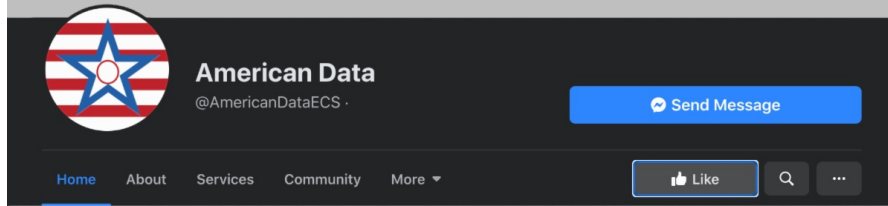
Many ECS Facilities receive perfect surveys. Did your facility? Let us know! Please let us know of your facility's Deficiency-Free Survey and/or Most Improved Survey so we can share your successes! Send an email to cares@american-data.com.

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