

July 2, 2020

To: John Muir Health Physician Network (JMHPN) Independent Contracted Physicians

Subject: Claim Payment Recovery Process Update

Dear Physicians and Office Staff:

JMHPN is pleased to announce that we have made an enhancement to our claim payment recovery process, effective May 27, 2020.

Previously, when a claim was adjusted and money was owed to JMHPN due to an overpayment (examples: a corrected claim submittal, a duplicate payment, a payment for Non-Covered Services, coordination of benefits, if a member was determined to be not eligible at the time of services), JMHPN would have sent a letter requesting that a refund be made. This manual process was paper- and time-intensive for both parties.

With the new enhanced process, JMHPN is able to offset the recovery amount against future claim payments, which will help reduce cost and administrative burden for your practice.

Provider disputes and/or appeals can be submitted in writing up to 365 days from the date of JMHPN's last action on the claim.

Should you have questions or would like to see a paper Remittance Advice sample, please either contact JMHPN's Customer Service department at (925) 952-2887 or access the sample on the Physician Resource Center (PRC). If you need access to the PRC, email a request to <a href="mailto:PPSBusinessServices@johnmuirhealth.com">PPSBusinessServices@johnmuirhealth.com</a> and include your name, title, practice name, email address, and phone number.

Thank you.

# New Claim Payment Recovery Process (Automated Recoupment) - Sample Remittance Advices

When a claim is adjusted and money is owed to JMH/JMHPN due to an overpayment, JMH/JMHPN is now able to automatically offset the recovery amount against future claim payments. This process is called Recoupment.

### Two important things to know about Recoupments:

- 1. When recouping, EPIC (the claims system) will first recoup the oldest amount due. This oldest negative balance is a claim that was paid and later adjusted so that the vendor owes JMH/JMHPN a balance. Basically, it's an overpayment.
- 2. Recoupment only occurs against negative balances on the same checking account. Example: if the check/EFT is for a Commercial Professional Risk claim <u>but</u> the vendor's negative balance is from the Hospital Risk checking account, the recoupment will not occur on the Commercial claim. Rather, it will only occur on any Hospital Risk claims.

### How do Recoupments look on the paper Remittance Advice (RA)?

Two sections on the paper RA pertain to Recoupments:

### Vendor Transactions Summary

- Located on the second to last page
- Shows balances to be recouped in future check-runs, prior negative balances, and recoupments against the current check

### Outstanding Liability Report

- Located on the last page
- Shows <u>all</u> negative balances, including ones against other checking accounts (JMH Hospital Risk or JMHPN Professional Risk), regardless of Line of Business (Commercial or Medicare Advantage)

### Scenario 1 – New Negative Balances

The weekly check-run pays claims that were recently adjudicated. In this particular scenario, 1 claim of 806.01 is payable by JMHPN, but there are also 2 adjusted claims that had originally been paid and were discovered to not be JMHPN's responsibility. During adjudication, these claims were adjusted (reversed) and there are negative balances for them (one is -1688.54 and the other is -1345.24).

Prior to the automated recoupment process, JMHPN would have sent a letter asking for a refund on these 2 claims.

Now, with the automated recoupment process, these 2 claims are identified and recouped partially on this check-run and the remainder is held for recoupment in future check-runs. The oldest claim is recouped first. It happens to be the claim with -1345.24 due to JMHPN.

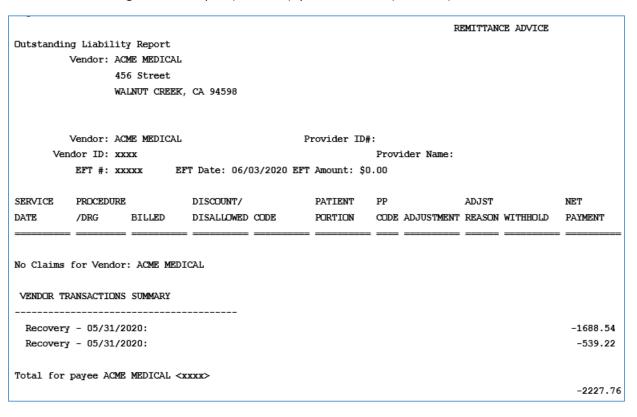
It is applied against the 1 claim that is payable: -1345.24 + 806.01 = -539.22.

Future check-runs will recoup the 539.22 that was not able to be recouped on this check-run, as well as the 1688.54 due to JMHPN from the second claim adjustment. This information is summarized in the Vendor Transactions Summary.

\*\* Note\*\* on the Vendor Transactions Summary, recovery amounts without a negative sign are <u>new</u> and will be recouped in future check-runs. The listed date is when the transaction was created (the Sunday before the check-run).

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REMITTANCE ADVICE
Remittance Detail Report
        Vendor: ACME MEDICAL
              456 Street
              WALNUT CREEK, CA 94598
VENDOR TRANSACTIONS SUMMARY
 Recovery - 05/31/2020:
                                                                                    1688.54
 Recovery - 05/31/2020:
                                                                                     539.22
Total for payee ACME MEDICAL <xxxx> - [EFT # xxxxxx]
              0.00 2289.67
                                                 0.00
                                                               0.00
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\*\*Note\*\* on the Outstanding Liability Report, the amount to be recouped is shown as a <u>negative</u> balance. In this case, the report displays the first adjusted claim's remaining amount to be recouped (-539.22) and the other adjusted claim that is waiting to be recouped (-1688.54), plus their total (-2227.76).



To see all the details, go to the Appendix for the full Remittance Advice for Scenario 1.

# Scenario 2 - Recoupment done against a previous negative balance

In this scenario, the vendor had an outstanding negative balance of -831.98 against this checking account <u>prior</u> to this check-run.

The original adjudicated claims for this check-run totaled to 597.14, and the vendor would have received a check for 597.14 if there were no outstanding balances to recoup.

The recoupment used the 597.14 payable against the negative balance of -813.98, resulting in 234.84 remaining to be recouped in a future check-run.

\*\* Note\*\* on the Vendor Transactions Summary, recovery amounts with a negative sign are from prior checkruns. Recovery amounts without a negative sign are <a href="mailto:new">new</a> and will be recouped in future check-runs.

REMITTANCE ADVICE

Remittance Detail Report

Vendor: GET WELL MEDICAL

123 STREET WALNUT CREEK, CA 94598

Vendor: GET WELL MEDICAL Provider ID#:

Vendor ID: XXX Provider Name:

Check #: XXXXX Check Date: 06/22/2020 Check Amount: \$0.00

SERVICE PROCEDURE DISCOUNT/ PATIENT PP ADJST NET
DATE /DRG BILLED DISALLOWED CODE PORTION CODE ADJUSTMENT REASON WITHHOLD PAYMENT

No Claims for Vendor: GET WELL MEDICAL

VENDOR TRANSACTIONS SUMMARY

Recovery - 06/14/2020: -831.98
Recovery - 06/21/2020: 234.84

Total for payee GET WELL MEDICAL <xxxx>

-597.14

\*\*Note\*\* the Outstanding Liability Report shows <u>all</u> negative balance transactions for the vendor, regardless of checking account (JMH Hospital Risk or JMHPN Professional Risk) and Line of Business (Commercial or Medicare Advantage).

This vendor has the negative balance of -234.84 from the above transactions <u>AND</u> also two remaining negative balances from the other Line of Business and/or the other Risk checking account (the -29.68 and -56.12). The total Negative Balance amount for this Vendor is now -320.64 and future check-runs will recoup it.

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Dutstandi	ng Liability Report						
	Vendor: GET WELL ME	DICAL					
	123 STREET						
	WALNUT CREE	K, CA 94598					
	Vendor: GET WELL ME	DICAL	Provi	ider ID#:	:		
Ve	endor ID: XXX			Provid	der Name:		
	Check #: XXXXX	Check Date: 06/22/2020	Check Amoun	nt: \$0.00	0		
SERVICE	PROCEDURE	DISCOUNT/	PATIENT	PP		ADJST	NET
SERVICE DATE		DISCOUNT/ DISALLOWED CODE				ADJST REASON WITHHO	
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DATE		DISALLOWED CODE					
DATE	/DRG BILLED	DISALLOWED CODE					
No Claims VENDOR T	/DRG BILLED ===================================	DISALLOWED CODE					
VENDOR T	/DRG BILLED  for Vendor: GET WEL  TRANSACTIONS SUMMARY	DISALLOWED CODE					OLD PAYMENT

-320.64

# **APPENDIX - Scenario 1's Full Remittance Advice**

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REMITTANCE ADVICE

Remittance Detail Report

Vendor: ACME MEDICAL 456 Street

WALNUT CREEK, CA 94598

Vendor: ACME MEDICAL

Provider ID#: xxxxxx

Vendor ID: xxxx

Provider Name: Acme Medical Inc

EFT #: xxxxx EFT Date: 06/03/2020 EFT Amount: \$0.00

Patient Name: SICK, PATIENT JANE Date of Birth: xx/xx/xxxx

Patient Acct#: xxxxxxxxx

Member ID: xxxxxxxxx

Group: xxxxxxxxxxx

SERVICE DATE	PROCEDURE /DRG	BILLED	DISCOUNT/ DISALLOWED	CODE	PATIENT PORTION	PP CODE	ADJUS <b>TMENT</b>	ADJST REASON	WITHHOLD	NET PAYMENT	PRIMARY INSURANCE	PRIMARY PAT PORT
05/01/2020	3EA11	0.00	-403.01	С	0.00	4	0.00		0.00	403.01		
05/19/2020	3EA11	0.00	-403.01	С	0.00	4	0.00		0.00	403.01		
Cla	im Totals:	0.00	-806.02		0.00		0.00		0.00	806.02	0.00	0.00

Interest Amount: 0.00 Penalty Amount: 0.00

Total for Processed Claims:

0.00 0.00 0.00 806.02 0.00 -806.02 0.00 0.00

REMITTANCE ADVICE

Remittance Detail Report

Vendor: ACME MEDICAL

456 Street

WALNUT CREEK, CA 94598

Patient Name: GRAVELY, ILL JOE Date of Birth: xx/xx/xxxx Patient Acct#: xxxxxxx

SERVICE DATE	PROCEDURE /DRG	BILLED	DISCOUNT/	CODE	PATIENT PORTION	PP	ADJUSTMENT	ADJST	WTTUUOI D	NET PAYMENT	PRIMARY INSURANCE	PRIM PAT	
DAIL	/DRG	DILLED	DISALIONED	CODE	FORTION	CODE	ADOUGINENT	KEASON	WITHHOLD	PAIMINI	INSURANCE	FAI	FUKI
07/23/2019	1BFKS	0.00	0.00	18,204,25- 3,CD	0.00		0.00			0.00			
07/23/2019	1BFKS	0.00	1723.00	18,204,25- 3,C	0.00	4	0.00		0.00	-1688.54			
Cla	im Totals:	0.00	1723.00		0.00		0.00		0.00	-1688.54	0.00		0.00

#### CLAIM EOB SUMMARY (\*\* CLAIM DENIED \*\*)

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Claim Level Code: [18] 18-Duplicate claim/service.

Claim Level Code: [204] 204-Svc/equip/drug not cvd under plan.: Generated by adjudicator

Interest Amount: 0.00 Penalty Amount: 0.00

REMITTANCE ADVICE

Remittance Detail Report

Vendor: ACME MEDICAL 456 Street

WALNUT CREEK, CA 94598

Patient Name: VERY, SICK GUY Date of Birth: XX/XX/XXXX Patient Acct#: XXXXXXXXX

SERVICE	PROCEDURE		DISCOUNT/		PATIENT	PP		ADJST		NET	PRIMARY	PRIMARY
DATE	/DRG	BILLED	DISALLOWED	CODE	PORTION	CODE	ADJUSTMENT	REASON	WITHHOLD	PAYMENT	INSURANCE	PAT PORT
						====		=====				
10/09/2019	3AGKS	0.00	0.00	204,CD	0.00		0.00			0.00		
10/09/2019	3AGKS	0.00	1372.69	204,253,C	0.00	4	0.00		0.00	-1345.24		
Cla	im Totals:	0.00	1372.69		0.00		0.00		0.00	-1345.24	0.00	0.00

CLAIM EOB SUMMARY (\*\* CLAIM DENIED \*\*)

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Claim Level Code: [204] 204-Svc/equip/drug not cvd under plan.: Generated by adjudicator

Interest Amount: 0.00 Penalty Amount: 0.00

Total for JMPN \*:

Total for Adjusted Claims:

0.00 3095.69 0.00 0.00 0.00 -3033.78 0.00 0.00

0.00 2289.67 0.00 0.00 0.00 -2227.76 0.00 0.00

REMITTANCE ADVICE

Remittance Detail Report

Vendor: ACME MEDICAL

456 Street

WALNUT CREEK, CA 94598

SERVICE	PROCEDURE		DISCOUNT/	PATIENT	PP	ADJST	NET	PRIMARY	PRIMARY
DATE	/DRG	BILLED	DISALLOWED CODE	PORTION	CODE ADJUSTMENT	REASON WITHHOLD	PAYMENT	INSURANCE	PAT PORT

Total for Acme Medical Inc:

0.00 2289.67 0.00 0.00 0.00 -2227.76 0.00 0.00

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REMITTANCE ADVICE

Remittance Detail Report

Vendor: ACME MEDICAL 456 Street

WALNUT CREEK, CA 94598

VENDOR TRANSACTIONS SUMMARY

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Recovery - 05/31/2020: 1688.54
Recovery - 05/31/2020: 539.22

Total for payee ACME MEDICAL <xxxx> - [EFT # xxxxx]

0.00 2289.67 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00

Total Interest Amount: 0.00 Total Penalty Amount: 0.00

CODES SUMMARY

EOB Code: [ 253] Sequestration - reduction in federal payment

Reason Code: [ C] Contracted Rate Payment

Reason Code: [ CD] Claim Denied

Patient Portion Code: [ 4] No Patient Payment

REMITTANCE ADVICE

Outstanding Liability Report

Vendor: ACME MEDICAL 456 Street

WALNUT CREEK, CA 94598

Vendor: ACME MEDICAL

Provider ID#:

Vendor ID: xxxx

Provider Name:

SERVICE PROCEDURE DISCOUNT/ PATIENT PP ADJST NET PRIMARY PRIMARY
DATE /DRG BILLED DISALLOWED CODE PORTION CODE ADJUSTMENT REASON WITHHOLD PAYMENT INSURANCE PAT PORT

No Claims for Vendor: ACME MEDICAL

VENDOR TRANSACTIONS SUMMARY

\_\_\_\_\_ Recovery - 05/31/2020:

-1688.54

Recovery - 05/31/2020:

-539.22

Total for payee ACME MEDICAL <xxxx>

-2227.76

Total Interest Amount: 0.00

Total Penalty Amount: 0.00