

# Paycor's Guide to End of Year Payroll



Year End is a busy time for our clients, but it doesn't have to be confusing. To ensure success, we've created this 2020 Year End Guide. Simply click on the links to the right (under Table of Contents) to view topics.

Now, for the big picture. When thinking about Year End, don't get overwhelmed! Remember that it all comes down to these 3 steps:

- 1. Check employee and employer indicative data
- 2. Check wage, tax and benefits data
- 3. Check for special procedures

Sounds easy, but as with many things in life, the devil's in the details. That's where your 2020 Year End Guide will come in handy. We'll walk you through everything you need to know, step by step.

If you'd prefer, you can always click on the **Get Help** link in Perform (top right corner of the Web page). From there, you can search by topic under the **Knowledge Base** section or enter your question in the **Search** box. Search results will contain both written procedures as well as short tutorial videos to assist you with your questions.

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## Frequently Asked Questions

#### **QUESTION #1**

I would like to pay some of my employees a bonus on this payroll in addition to their normal pay. I have never paid a bonus before - how do I add a separate bonus check to each of those employees?

#### Answer:

Step 1: Add a Bonus Earning Code to Your Company

Follow the steps below to do this task.

1 In the **Configure Company** module, select **Earnings** under the Payroll menu.

2 If a Bonus earning code is not listed, click + Add Earning

3 Find the necessary Earning Code. Rename the Code and Description if you want to customize what appears on the employee's check stub and your reports. Click 🗸 Save

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- 4 Highlight the **Earning Code** you added and review parameters and global settings.
- 5 You have options on how to tax the Earnings Code. To change the taxation, click on **How to Tax** field and select an option. The **How to Tax** includes options to meet the federal and state requirements on taxation for supplemental wages. When you select one of these options, the income tax will calculate at the federal rate of 22% and the state mandated percentage.

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#### Step 2: Add the Bonus Code to Your Paygrid Follow these steps to customize columns in the paygrid: Click on Format Grid, then select "Add/Remove Columns". n 2 Select the **Earnings** from the dropdown. 3 Locate the Bonus Earning code you added. Check the Amount Box across from the Earning Code to enter a Bonus Amount. 4 Click ✓ Save . The Bonus Earning Column will now appear in the paygrid. Back to Payruns - + - + + ✓ ① Payrun Tasks + -HI.run Settings \$ Related Changes ~ Format Grid Sort Order Pay Q Shift 1

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#### **QUESTION #2**

I'd like to pay a bonus to my employees this week. I've already added a Bonus Earning Code to the system but our normal pay cycle doesn't run until next week. How can I work around this?

#### Answer:

# Step 1: Add an Additional Run Follow the steps below to do this task.

Note: Additional payruns may be scheduled up to one year in advance. The Paygroup Schedule dictates the payrolls that will be included in all month-end reports. To avoid having to reprint month-end information, it's best to include additional payruns on your schedule as soon as possible.

- Hover over Payroll, and select **Pay Employees**. Verify the necessary **Client Number** is selected.
- Click + Add Payrun . An Add Payrun window will open.



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#### Step 2: Adding the Bonus Paygrid Entry

- 1 Once you are on the paygrid screen, enter the necessary amount in the **Bonus column**.
- Note: You may add more columns under Format Grid, or you may add a Bonus earning directly within an employee's detail window.
- 2 Click on an Employee Name to view their check details. Click on **Gross To Net** to see calculation details.
- After all earning/bonus information has been entered and confirmed. Click the "Review Payrun" link. Make sure to run the Pre-Post Journal as usual before submitting the payroll to ensure all information was entered correctly.

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5 If you typically pay your employees through direct deposit, but you would like to pay their bonus through a live check, please reach out to Payroll Support to confirm your current delivery method. This will ensure your checks arrive in a timely manner.

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#### **QUESTION #3**

I am running a payroll strictly for bonuses this week and my CPA told me to make sure they are taxed correctly since they are an annual bonus. What do I need to do?

#### **Answer:**

# Step 1: Discuss Appropriate Tax Withholding with Your CPA

Each business may handle the tax withholding for a bonus differently so discuss any tax inquiries with your CPA to understand how to tax your employees' bonuses. Paycor can make sure taxes are calculated accordingly for bonus payrolls if needed, so feel free to contact with questions.

# Step 2: Discuss Appropriate Tax Withholding with Your CPA

- 1 On the Review Payrun screen, select the **Edit Payrun Exceptions** button to make any mass changes to the payroll taxation (i.e. if the change applies to everyone receiving the bonus).
- 2 Make any necessary changes using the dropdown selections under the Tax Exceptions section.



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3 If you would like to make changes to a specific employees' tax withholding, select their name in the Paygrid and choose the Taxes section. Here, you can update a single employee's Tax Frequency or enter in a specific withholding amount for Federal, State, and Local taxes (if they apply.) Please note, Social Security and Medicare amounts cannot be changed and you will be unable to enter anything into those Tax Amount sections.

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#### PAYING EMPLOYEES PRE-DETERMINED AMOUNTS

### Grossing Up a Bonus Check – Ensuring an Employee Receives a Specific Amount After Tax Withholding

There may be times, usually during a bonus run or based upon a salary agreement, where you will need to be sure that an employee is receiving a specific amount in their check after all taxes are deducted from their gross pay. This process, called **Grossing Up**, ensures that an employee will receive a Net Amount equal to an agreed upon or desired amount.

In this instance, the system will allow you to enter the desired amount for the employee to Net. Follow these steps in order to gross up a check for any employee:

- 1 From within the paygrid for the necessary payrun, locate and click next to the appropriate employee name.
- 2 Click the +- button next to Check in the left menu navigation. Select Regular Check.
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#### Paying Employees Pre-Determined Amounts Quick Links

**Grossing Up a Bonus Check** 

Key Points When Grossing Up a Check

**Note:** When a new check is added, the **check number** will be one higher than the previous **regular check**.

Scheduled **earning** and **deduction amounts** will not calculate for additional checks. Scheduled **deduction rates** will calculate on additional checks.

Additional checks may also be deleted by following the same steps. Select the row to be deleted, and click \_\_\_\_\_ check button.

#### PAYING EMPLOYEES PRE-DETERMINED AMOUNTS



**Note:** If an employee is set up with permanent labor allocation, you may use the checkbox to remove allocation for this gross up check.

#### 5 Click Calculate Gross Up

6 Perform will take you to the **Gross To Net** overview for the new check. A 'G' will appear in the Check column.

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**Note**: To edit a gross up check: make sure the correct employee name is highlighted, then click the Gross Up button.

#### Paying Employees Pre-Determined Amounts Quick Links

**Grossing Up a Bonus Check** 

Key Points When Grossing Up a Check

#### PAYING EMPLOYEES PRE-DETERMINED AMOUNTS

Key Points when Grossing Up a Check

- 1. When grossing up a check it will remain a gross up. The user would need to "no pay" the employee and then remove the no pay to enter as a regular check.
- **2**. The user cannot change a department in the paygrid once gross up has been calculated. You will receive the following message:

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- 3. You cannot split a gross up between more than one department.
- 4. You cannot gross up:
  - Third Party Sick Pay
  - A net less than zero
  - A prepaid earning/fringe benefit
- **5**. When Gross Up calculates, it keeps trying until it gets within a 5 cent tolerance of the desired net. At that time it will take that 5 cents or less and apply it according to a hierarchy:
  - Federal
  - State (if it has a tax and there is no rounding)

#### Paying Employees Pre-Determined Amounts Quick Links

**Grossing Up a Bonus Check** 

Key Points When Grossing Up a Check

# HSA Frequently Asked Questions

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<b>Deduction Code</b> (add F = Family, SO = Single)	Description	Tax Category	Tax Exceptions Effect on Employee	W-2 Reporting
HSA125	HSA125 Health Savings Acct-Pretax		Non-taxable	Box 12 Code W
HSA125DD Health Sav Acct- Pretax w/ DirDep		Pre-tax	Non-taxable with direct deposit to HSA account	Box 12 Code W
HSADed Health Savings After Tax		After Tax	Non-taxable	Box 12 Code W
HSADedDD	Health Sav Acct- After tax w/ DirDep	After Tax	Non-taxable with direct deposit to HSA account	Box 12 Code W

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#### **QUESTION #2**

How do I set up the Employee HSA Contribution amounts in Perform?

#### **Answer:**

#### Step 1: Add the HSA Deduction to your Company. You will need to set up a Deduction on the Client Profile:

1 In the Configure Company module, select Deductions under the Payroll menu.

- 2 Click + Add Deduction
- 3 Locate the correct code from the dropdown. You may type in the field to filter the results.
- Note: The user will be able to select a new code name and description for the deduction code in the next steps. However, it is important to select a template with the correct type in order for the deduction to calculate correctly. If unsure which type to choose, contact your Payroll Support Team.

④ Once selected, you may view and edit the settings. Click ✓ Save



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1 In the Manage Employees module, click on an employee's name.

- 2 Using the left navigation menu, open **Compensation**. Then click on Deductions. \*If the funds are to be deposited via Direct Deposit, click on the Direct Deposit page rather than Deductions. You will be able to enter the HSA amount in the HSA Direct Deposit section on this page.
- Click the + Add Deduction button.

4 On the Add Deduction screen, select the necessary HSA Plan and click

Note: In order for the system to track annual contribution limits across employee and employer contribution codes they must match. Example:

- Employee Contribution Code: HSA125F
- Employer Contribution Code: HeaSavF
- **5** Enter the **Withholding Amount** the employee is to contribute per pay. Click < Save .

Note: Reporting: HSA125 Plan contributions for both the employer and employee (combined) automatically print in Box 12 Code W on the employee's W-2 form.

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**After-Tax Deductions**: If the employee's HSA contribution is an after-tax deduction, follow the steps on the previous page except select the deduction code and then rename the code to represent the name of your plan.

<b>Deduction Code</b> (add F = Family, SO = Single)	Description	Tax Category	Tax Exceptions Effect on Employee	W-2 Reporting
HSADed	Health Savings After Tax	After Tax	Taxable	Does not appear on W-2 Box 12, will Appear in Box 14 if "Appear on W-2 Box 14 field is Yes"
HSADedDD	Health Savings Acct- DirDep	After Tax	Taxable with direct deposit to HSA account	Does not appear on W-2 Box 12, will Appear in Box 14 if "Appear on W-2 Box 14 field is Yes"

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Note: Reporting: If you want your after-tax Health Plan contributions to print on the employee's W-2 form, click Yes in the Appear on W-2 Box 14 field.

#### HSA Quick Links

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#### **QUESTION #3**

Is Paycor able to send the Employer portion of HSA funding directly to an employee's HSA account?

#### Answer:

Yes, Paycor does have the ability to send Employer HSA funds directly to HSA accounts. Just as with the Employee portion, this can be set up by choosing the appropriate HSA code in the Paycor system. See below for the possible codes to be used for the Employer portion of the HSA funding.

If you would like the Employer portion of the HSA contribution to be direct deposited, you will need to select the correct HSA code in the table below as well **as set up the Direct Deposit code**. Both the HSA Earning code and the Direct Deposit code must be set up for this to work correctly.

See codes on next page.

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Note: The codes listed below will include an F or SO at the end of them to indicate Family or Single. This is to differentiate whether an employee has an HSA account for their family or just themselves since the contribution limits differ between the two plans. You will need to confirm whether the employee is contributing to a Family or Single account before adding any codes to an employee's profile.

Earning Code (add F = Family, SO = Single)	Description	Use When
Health Sav Acct ER Prov-Notppd		The contribution amount is not prepaid and will be added to the employee's net pay. The employee is responsible for depositing into their HSA.
HeaSvPpd Health Sav Acct ER Prov-Ppd		The contribution amount is prepaid. The employer is responsible for depositing into the employee's HSA.
Hea Sav Acct Prov Nok-Npp		The 401k calculated on total gross minus HSA amount. The contri- bution amount is not prepaid and will be added to the employees' net pay. The employee is responsible for depositing into their HSA.
HeaSvNoK Hea Sav Acct Er Prov Nok-Pp		The 401k is calculated on total gross minus HSA amount. The em- ployee is responsible for depositing into their HSA.
DD- Direct Deposit DD- Direct Deposit DD- Direct Deposit DD- Direct Deposit HSA ER to distin- guish between the different accounts)		Use in addition to HSA Earnings Code if you want to make a direct deposit from your payroll to the Employee's HSA. Set up <b>DD Code</b> on the Client Level.

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#### **QUESTION #4**

How do I set up the Employer HSA Contribution amounts in Perform?

#### **Answer:**

Step 1: Set Up an Employer's Contribution for an Employee's HSA. You will need to set up a Earning on the Client Profile:

1 In the Configure Company module, select **Earnings** under the Payroll menu.

2 Click + Add Earning

Note: In order for the system to track annual contribution limits across employee and employer contribution codes they must match. Example:

- Employee Contribution Code: HSA125F
- Employer Contribution Code: HeaSavF

3 Locate the correct code from the dropdown. You may type in the field to filter the results.

Note: The user will be able to select a new code name and description for the deduction code in the next steps. However, it is important to select a template with the correct type in order for the deduction to calculate correctly. If unsure which type to choose, contact your representative.

4 Once selected, you may view and edit the settings. Click vare

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Note: **Reporting**: HSA125 Plan contributions for both the employer and employee (combined) automatically print in **Box 12 Code W** on the employee's W-2 form.

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and employer contribution codes they must match. Example:

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- Employer Contribution Code: HeaSavF

5 Enter the Amount the employer is to contributing per pay. Click Complete

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#### **Health Savings Account Exceptions**

**S-Corps** - Owners are not eligible for pre-tax HSA contributions. If an owner contributes to an HSA, use the S-Corp Earnings code and rename as SCorp HSA. Select "Appear on W-2" if you wish the contribution to print on the W-2 in Box 14 (since it is an after-tax contribution.)

Owners and family members of a partnership are not able to contribute to a pre-tax HSA.

Some state unemployment and local withholding taxes do not exempt the contributions.

Employer contributions to an HSA are not exempt from the state of Maine income tax withholding.

Employer and employee contributions under a 125 cafeteria plan are not exempt from California income tax withholding.

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#### QUESTION #1

Our business is an S-Corp. Our owner is unable to contribute pre-tax deductions to a health savings account like the rest of the employees do – what code do I need to use to report her HSA contribution amounts?

#### Answer:

There is a separate code that must be set up on the payroll so the amounts are recorded appropriately for the owner.

Note: The HSA amount for the owner of an S-Corp will not be reflected in Box 12 of the W-2. This amount will appear in Box 14 of the W-2 if selected. See Step 5 below to ensure the amount is set up to appear in Box 14 of the W-2.

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5 Verify your selections, and click 🗸 Save

6 After adding on the company level, you may then add to individual employees.

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What Code Do I Need to Use to Report an S-Corp **Owners HSA Contribution Amounts?** 

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# Third Party Sick Payment Frequently Asked Questions

#### **QUESTION #1**

I have an employee who received disability payments from a third party this year. What kinds of tax considerations are there in regards to the amount paid to him via this insurance company?

#### Answer:

## Tax Considerations for Third-Party Sick Pay

Third-party sick pay can be non-taxable, fully taxable or partially taxable. The taxability of the payments is determined by how the contributions to the plan are made. Any taxable portion of third-party sick pay is subject to federal, state, Social Security, Medicare, FUTA, SUI, and local taxes.

- Benefits (payments) received from a plan funded by employer contributions are considered taxable income.
- Pre-tax employee contributions (section 125 cafeteria plans) are treated as if they were employer contributions; the benefits received are fully taxable.
- Benefits received from a plan funded by **after-tax** employee contributions are not taxable income.
- It is possible that only a portion of the benefit received is taxable if both the employer and employee contribute to the plan.

#### Third Party Sick Pay (3PS) Quick Links

**Tax Considerations for 3PS** 

**3PS Payments Made After Six Months** 

**Responsibilities of the 3PS Administrator** 

Your 3PS Responsibilities as the Employer

What is the Deadline for Entering 3PS Information?

What is the Correct Tax Code for My Company's 3PS?

**Entering 3PS** 

Taxable 3PS (3PS-TPS)

**3PS After 6 Months** 

**3PS Funded By the Employee** 

Where to Find Information on Form W-2

Key Reminders Regarding Third Party Sick Pay

Determining Taxable Portion of Third Party Sick Pay

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30%		<b>70</b> %	100% taxable to employee
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Note: The percentages (70% and 30%) used in the above table are example only. They may be replaced by whatever percentages are used by a particular employer.

#### For example:

- If the employer pays the entire premium for a sick pay policy, all of the sick pay benefits paid to the employee are completely taxable.
- If an employer pays 70% of the sick pay premium and the employee pays 30% of the sick pay premium with after-tax deductions, only 70% of the sick pay benefits are taxable.
- If an employer pays 70% of the sick pay premium and the employee pays 30% of the sick pay premium with pre-tax deductions, 100% of the sick pay benefits are taxable.
- If the employee pays the entire premium for a sick pay policy with after-tax deductions, the benefits are totally exempt from taxes.
- If the employee pays the entire premium for a sick pay policy with pre-tax deductions, the benefits are fully taxable.

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# Payments Made After Six Months

The tax treatment detailed previously applies to all Third-party sick payments made to employees during the first six-month period. The six-month period begins with the first full month following the last month that the employee worked. Benefits paid after these time frames are no longer taxable for Social Security, Medicare, or FUTA. The benefits remain taxable income for federal, state and local withholding.

**Example**: Sharon is injured on February 3, 2020 and does not return to work until December 8, 2020. She does not contribute to her company's disability plan. Third party payments she receives through August 31, 2020 are fully taxable. Payments received from September 1, 2020 through December 8, 2020 are only taxable for federal, state and local taxes.

## Responsibilities of the Third-Party Sick Pay Administrator:

- They must withhold and deposit the employee's portion of Social Security, Medicare, federal and state income taxes (If the employee files a W-4S for federal).
- They must notify the employer of the payments on which Social Security and Medicare taxes were withheld and deposited, within the time permitted for the third party to make the deposit.
- They must provide a statement to the employer by January 15 following the year during which payments were made. The statement must show the employee's name, Social Security number, the amount of sick pay the employee received, and the amount of federal, Social Security, and Medicare taxes withheld from the sick pay.

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# Your Responsibilities as the Employer:

- The employer must deposit and report their share of Social Security and Medicare, FUTA, SUI, and any applicable local taxes to the proper agencies. Paycor's systems help you accomplish this by:
  - Allows you to enter third-party sick payments on the system.
  - If you use Paycor for tax-filing, the appropriate taxes will be impounded and paid. Basic Paycor clients will have the additional tax liability included on their next Taxes Due Report.
- In some rare cases, depending on how the plan is written, an employer may not be liable for matching FICA, SUI or FUTA on third-party sick payments. If this is the case, it will be stated on the employee statement provided by the administrator.

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REPORT OF SICK PAY AND WITHHOLDING AMOUNTS FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2007 FOR POLICY 2515252 DIVISION 001

Book Store Grace O'Donnell 644 LINN STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45203

Social Security Number	Employee Name	Gross Sick Pay	Sick Pay Subject To FICA/FUTA/SUTA	Fed. Tax Withheld	FICA Withheld	State Tax Code and State Tax Withheld
555-22-1111	Lori Dunham	1,234.28	OA 1,234.28 HI 1,234.28	137.14	OA 76.52 HI 17.90	ОН .00
656-77-8989	Liam O'Brien	1,153.57	OA 1,153.57 HI 1,153.57	000.00	OA 71.53 HI 16.72	ОН .00
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YOU MAY BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE THE GOVERNMENT WITH THE EMPLOYERS QUARTERLY FEDERAL TAX RETURN FORM 941. IF SO, THE ABOVE INFORMATION FROM THIS REPORT SHOULD BE INCLUDED. LINE NUMBER 2 ON FORM 941 (WAGES, TIPS AND OTHER COMPENSATION), SHOULD INCLUDE, TO THE EXTENT SICK PAY IS TAXABLE, THE AMOUNT FROM THE COLUMN TITLED 'GROSS AMOUNT OF SICK PAY'. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR DETERMINING THE TAXABLE PORTION OF SICK PAY'. LINE NUMBER 6A (TAXABLE SOCIAL SECURITY WAGES), SHOULD INCLUDE THE AMOUNT FROM OUR REPORT THAT IS INDICATED IN THE 'SICK PAY SUBJECT TO FICA/FUTA/SUTA' COLUMN AS THE TOTAL FOR 'OA' LINE NUMBER 7 (TAXABLE MEDICARE WAGES), SHOULD INCLUDE THE AMOUNT FROM OUR REPORT THAT IS INDICATED IN THE 'SICK PAY SUBJECT TO FICA/FUTA/SUTA' COLUMN AS THE TOTAL FOR 'OA' LINE NUMBER 7 (TAXABLE MEDICARE WAGES), SHOULD INCLUDE THE AMOUNT FROM OUR REPORT THAT IS INDICATED IN THE 'SICK PAY SUBJECT TO FICA/FUTA/SUTA' COLUMN AS THE TOTAL FOR '0A' LINE NUMBER 7 (TAXABLE MEDICARE WAGES), SHOULD INCLUDE THE AMOUNT FROM OUR REPORT THAT IS INDICATED IN THE 'SICK PAY SUBJECT TO FICA/FUTA/SUTA' COLUMN AS THE TOTAL FOR '0A' LINE NUMBER 7 (TAXABLE MEDICARE WAGES), SHOULD INCLUDE THE AMOUNT FROM OUR REPORT THAT IS INDICATED IN THE 'SICK PAY SUBJECT TO FICA/FUTA/SUTA' COLUMN AS THE TOTAL FOR '11'. TO COMPLETE NUMBER 9 ON FORM 941 (ADJUSTMENT OF TAX), DEDUCT THE TOTAL AMOUNTS LISTED IN THE 'AMOUNT OF FICA WITHHELD' COLUMN ON OUR REPORT. YOU WILL NEED TO ADD THE TOTALS FOR '0A' AND 'HI' TOGETHER FOR LINE 9. IF YOU ARE UNCLEAR ABOUT OTHER AREAS OF THE 941, WE SUGGEST YOU CONSULT YOUR CPA OR TAX SPECIALIST.

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IF THE EMPLOYEE HAS NOT EARNED THE MAXIUM SALARY SUBJECT TO FUTA, YOU MAY HAVE TO PAY FUTA/SUTA TAX ON THIS THIRD PARTY SICK PAY.

AMOUNTS ON THIS REPORT MAY BE SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT FROM AMOUNTS REFLECTED ON THE CHECK DISBURSED DUE TO ROUNDING.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS REPORT, PLEASE CALL 1-800-845-2290 \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*OUR RECORDS INDICATE THAT UNUM WILL NOT PREPARE YOUR 2007 W-2 FORMS TO REPORT SHORT TERM DISABILITY PAMENTS MADE TO YOUR EMPLOYEES LISTED ABOVE.\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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In this example, this statement indicates the insurance company will not be preparing the W-2s, which means the Third-party sick pay must be entered within the Paycor system.

#### **QUESTION #2**

I need to enter my Third Party sick pay information but I have not yet received the information from our insurance company yet. What is the deadline for entering this information?

#### **Answer:**

The electronic filing deadline for W-2 details to the IRS has been accelerated to 1/31/21. Previously, this deadline was in March. Because of this accelerated timeline, we are asking that any Third Party sick pay information be entered into payroll by 12/30/2020. Since the IRS has not changed the deadline for the administrators of Third Party sick pay from 1/15/21, the final reconciliation date for Third Party Sick pay will remain 1/15/21.

#### **QUESTION #3**

I am trying to enter our Third Party Sick Payment information in Perform, but there are several codes to choose from. How do I know which one is the correct code for my company's situation and how do I then set this up on my payroll?

#### Answer:

Because Third-party sick pay can be non-taxable, fully taxable, or partially taxable, dependent upon how contributions are made to the plan, we offer three different 3PS codes to choose from. See below for an explanation of each code's taxability.

- **3PS** TPS Third Party Sick Pay fully taxable (taxable for all employee and employer taxes)
- **3PS6m** TPS Third Party Sick Pay after 6 months (taxable for federal & state but do not withhold, & Local)
- **3PSx**-TPSx Third Party Sick Pay employee funded. The portion funded by the employee is exempt from all taxes.

For further information regarding Third-party sick payment taxation, see Question #1 above.

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# Entering Third-Party Sick Pay

# Step 1: Select the Correct Earnings Codes (Client Profile) Follow the steps below to select an earning code:

- 1 Go to the **Configure Company** module select **Earnings** under the Payroll menu.
- 2 Click + Add Earning
- 3 The global list of earning codes will display. This will allow the user to select a template for creating the earning code. Search for "3PS".
- Note: The taxation requirements for third party sick payments vary, based on how long the employee has been receiving pay and whether or not the plan is employee or employer funded.

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Note: Please note that if you choose to add one third party sick pay earning code, all related earning codes and offset deduction codes will be created on the company level as well. This saves you time, and ensures that all of the required codes are set up.

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• Once users have added the Earning Code, users will be prompted to configure Settings.

Change the Code and Description to help you better identify this earning on a paystub or report.

Field	Options
Code	Users may re-name the earning code by typing directly into this field. This is a 10-character field, and will appear directly on the employee's paystub.
Description	Users may re-name the description by typing directly into this field. This is a 30-character field, and will be used for internal (company) purposes only.

**5** Click **Add Administrator** button.

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6 The 'Add Administrator' pop-up window will appear. Enter the Administrator's name, FEIN and address.

The W-2 Option dropdown selection will determine if these earnings should show on an employee's W-2.

Depending on your plan's details, you can populate additional settings, such as Client Tax Responsibility. This allows you to indicate if you are liable for employer taxes only, all taxes, or only unemployment taxes. This information can be found on the statement from your third party administrator.

Note: Administrator information is required in order to generate the IRS Form 8922. Once the administrator is set up on the company level, you will be able to select the administrator within the paygrid for an employee.

7 Verify that all of your selections are accurate. Click 🗸 Save

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If the employer is not liable for matching FICA, SUI or FUI on the 3PS entry, you must read the actual statement from the Third Party Administrator to determine the employer's responsibility. If the employer is not liable for any employer taxes, select the correct option for taxing in the **Client Tax Responsibility** dropdown box at the bottom of the Earnings screen.

Dropdown	Indicates
All Taxes	All tax liabilities for the employer will be calculated as required. Note: It is rare that an employer would not be liable for all taxes.
ER Taxes	Only liabilities for the employer will be calculated.
UI Only	Only FUI & SUI liabilities will be calculated for the employer.

# Step 2: Verify the Correct Deductions Code.

The set up on the deduction tab is an offset to the local taxes required to be withheld from the 3PS. Since most Third Party Administrators do not withhold local taxes, it becomes the responsibility of the employer to reclaim the money from the employees. The 3psDed code from Paycor's global deduction list allows the amount to be offset when calculating local taxes. This code is added automatically and must be setup even if no local taxes are required.

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**Figure:** 3PS Offset deduction code that is added by the system after adding the 3PS earning code. The 3PS Offset deduction code is used to offset the amount of local taxes that will calculate on the 3PS earnings.

Step 3: Enter the 3PS Payment on the Paygrid. Follow these steps to add a 3PS payment to an employee:

- 1 From within an open payrun, highlight the row of the necessary **employee**.
- 2 Click the + button next to **Check**, and select "3rd Party Pay"
- Note: The + 3rd Party Sick Pay option will not appear unless an administrator has first been added on the company level.
- 3 Next you must verify or select the Administrator that should be associated with the 3PS payment.

Note: Leave the box checked to **Calculate Local Taxes**. This will allow the amount to be added to the offset deduction.

4 This will open a window, where you can enter amounts for the 3PS payments made before 6 months and after.

You can also enter what percentages of these payments were funded by the employer and employee.

**5** To view the calculations, click on **Gross To Net**. This tab will show you how the third party sick pay earnings and deductions have been calculated.

This information will be transmitted to Paycor as soon as you submit the payrun.

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# Taxable Third Party Sick Pay (3PS-TPS)

This is the most common type of 3PS. When reviewing the statement, verify that all wages were totally taxed for Social Security and Medicare. Enter the information as follows:

- 1 Key in the gross amount on the 3PS line in the **Third-party pay** screen.
- 2 Enter the federal and state amount withheld (if applicable) on the **Taxes** tab.
- 3 If the employer does not want this entry to be taxable for locals, allocate the employee to a department with no local taxes.

Note: This step does not relieve the taxation of the 3PS for local taxes.

- 4 Go to the **Gross to Net** tab to calculate the amount.
- 5 When the system displays the message "Some or all of the local taxes have not been withheld. Do you wish to calculate them?" Answer **Yes**. (The system will calculate any locals due and offset with the 3PSDed code.)

6 Verify that the net is equal to the net on the 3PS statement.

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# Third Party Sick Payments After 6 Months

IRS regulations state that only the first 6 months of sick pay are taxable for Social Security and Medicare. When reviewing the statement verify if Social Security and Medicare were withheld from the employee. Enter the information as follows:

- Key in the gross amount on the **3PS6mo** line in the **Third-party pay** screen and a check number to relate to the entry.
- 2 Enter the FITWH and state amount withheld (if applicable) on the **Taxes** tab.
- If the employer does not want this entry to be taxable for locals, allocate the employee to a department with no local taxes.

Note: This step does not relieve the taxation of the 3PS earnings for local taxes.

- Go to the Gross to Net tab to calculate the amount
- When the system displays message 'Some or all of the local taxes have not been withheld. Do you wish to calculate them?' Answer Yes. (The system will calculate any locals due and offset with the 3PS Ded code.)

6 Verify that the net is equal to the net on the 3PS statement.

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# Third Party Sick Payments Funded By the Employee

If an employee contributes toward Third Party Sick Pay through a post-tax deduction, the payout is all tax exempt for both employee and employer. The statement will reflect "employer contribution amount" or "employee contribution amount" for determining how to the information. Enter the information as follows:

- 1 Key in the gross amount on either line for 3PS or 3PS6mo line in the **Third-party pay** screen depending on whether or not the payment has met the 6-month threshold and enter a check number related to the entry.
- 2 Enter the percentage amount that the employer is funding in the Prem% field. The Default is 100% employer funded. When you tab out of the field, the system will automatically allocate the Employee portion to the 3PSx line where it will be exempt from all tax calculations.
- **3** Enter the FITWH and state amount withheld (if applicable) on the **Taxes** tab.
- If the employer does not want this entry to be taxable for locals, allocate the employee to a non-taxable department.
- 6 Go to the Gross to Net tab to calculate the amount
- 6 When the system displays the message 'Some or all of the local taxes have not been withheld. Do you wish to calculate them?' Answer **Yes**. (The system will calculate any locals due and offset with the 3PSDed code.)
- 7 Verify that the net is equal to the net on the 3PS statement.

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Taxable third-party sick pay is considered income to the employee and must be included in Boxes 1, 3, 5, 16, and 18. The taxes withheld must appear in Boxes 2, 4, 6, 17, and 19.

- Taxable sick pay paid after 6 months will only appear in Boxes 1, 16, and 18.
- Non-taxable sick pay (as a result of employee contributions to the plan) must be included in **Box 12**, preceded by Code "J".
- The employer and the third party payer have the option of selecting which party will be responsible for producing the annual W-2 statements as they pertain to third-party sick pay.

# Key Reminders Regarding Third Party Sick Pay

- Paycor Support is available to help ensure proper setup.
- Double-check what portion of the third party sick pay is taxable. This will help determine the correct code to select and the amount to enter in PayData.
- Double-check if the third-party sick pay is taxable for locals and how you would like to recover the taxes. (Offset deduction and deduction next pay)
- Verify that you will need Paycor to produce the W-2s reflecting the third party sick payment versus the administrator.
- To void a 3PS check, Employee- Compensation History and click 'Void'.

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# Personal Use of a Company Vehicle Frequently Asked Questions

#### **QUESTION #1**

I am trying to record the Auto Information for our sales representatives and when I search for an Auto Earning Code to do so, I see several options. How do I know which one to use?

#### Answer:

There are several pieces to consider when determining the appropriate Auto Earning Code to use for your company's payroll. Please see the questions below – the answers will lead you to the correct earning code.

- 1. Is the employee using their personal vehicle or the company's vehicle?
- 2. If the employee is using their personal vehicle, is the employee required to keep any records of business use or expenses incurred?
- 3. If the employee is using their personal vehicle, is the amount taxable?

Once you know the answers to these questions, utilize the chart below to allow you to choose the correct code for your business.

#### Personal Use of Auto Quick Links

**Auto Earning Codes** 

**Key Points Regarding Payroll Auto Information** 

Personal Use of a Company Vehicle (PUCV)

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Where will these earnings show up on the grid?	Boxes, 1,3,5,16, and 18	Not on the W-2	Boxes 1,3,5,16, and 18							

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# Key Points Regarding Payroll Auto Information

- Personal Use of a Company Vehicle (PUCV) is a non-cash fringe benefit, and its value must be determined at least once a year. Guidelines for determining the value of a company-owned vehicle are provided in *IRS Publication 15-B, Employers Guide to Fringe Benefits*.
- Auto Allowances (AUTONTx and Auto Earning Codes) relate to **business** use of a **personal** vehicle while Personal Use of a Company Auto relates to personal use of a **company** vehicle.
- An **auto allowance** is an amount paid to an employee, usually at a regular frequency, to cover expenses related to the use of the employee's personal vehicle for business. The employee is not required to keep any records of actual business use or expenses incurred. Auto allowances are fully taxable. (Use global earning code Auto Auto Allowance)
- Auto expense reimbursement for business use of personal vehicle requires a written record of all business use of the vehicle and expenses incurred. The amount of reimbursement can be a direct reimbursement of specific expenses or a cents per mile rate (.57 for 2020) applied to reported business mileage. (Use global earning code AutoNTx – Auto Reimbursement)

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# Personal Use of a Company Vehicle (PUCV)

When it is determined that the appropriate Earning Code is the P-Auto code, there are a few rules and considerations to keep in mind:

#### Working condition fringe

Business use of a company vehicle is not taxable to the employee. Business use must be substantiated with written records.

Employee records include:

- Business mile driven
- Date of trip
- Purpose of trip
- Expenses

#### De minims benefit

Personal use is so insignificant that accounting for it would be unreasonable, (for example an employee stopping for lunch on the way back from a business call.)

#### Qualified non-personal use vehicle

Some vehicles (ambulances, hearses, police cars, school buses, etc.) are unlikely to be used for personal reasons because of their special design.

#### Special rules for auto dealerships

Full-time salespersons' personal use of demo vehicles may be excluded from taxable income provided it is substantially restricted.

#### Validation of Employee Personal Use

An employer must determine the value of the benefit an employee receives from using a company car for personal use. There are a number of valuation methods accepted by the IRS. (i.e., General Valuation, Annual Lease Valuation, Cents-Per-Mile Valuation, Commuting Valuation methods)

#### Personal Use of Auto Quick Links

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#### **Taxation and Reporting**

The value of all personal use of a company vehicle is generally considered taxable income for federal, state, FICA and local withholdings. It is mandatory that an employer withhold Social Security and Medicare taxes. It is not mandatory that an employer withhold federal and state taxes, <u>as long as</u> the employer informs the employee of this decision.

- The PUCV value must be reported at least once a year. Monthly or quarterly reporting is recommended.
- For W-2 reporting, the amount appears in boxes 1, 3, 5, 16 and 18.

# Processing Personal Use of Company Vehicle (PUCV) in Perform

PUCV is imputed income with no net due to the employee. It is easiest to include the imputed income on an employee's regular check so the additional taxes due can be withheld from the employee's earnings. If the imputed income is entered after the last payroll of the year when the employee has no earnings to withhold, the process becomes more complicated.

#### **Processing PUCV with Regular Payroll**

Once you have set up your PAuto or PAutoNok earning, you can process the earning with your regular payroll.

Enter the employee's hours as usual. Then enter the <u>PUCV value</u> in the **Earnings** column and select the earnings code **PAuto** or **PAutoNok** in the **Code** field. The amount will be included in the taxable wages for all taxes (as selected when you set up the earning code).

# Processing PUCV when Employee has No Other Earnings (including Terminated Employees)

If you must process PUCV and the employee has no more earnings for the year, you will need to offset the tax amount with a nontaxable earnings code or gross up the PUCV amount in order to avoid a negative net check.

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#### **QUESTION #2**

I have determined that the appropriate Earning Code to use in our situation is Personal Use of a Company Vehicle (PUCV). How do I set this up in Perform?

#### Answer:

Follow these steps in order process PUCV in Perform:

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To enter PUCV for an employee, you will first need to have a PAuto earning code set up on the Client Profile. The PAuto code will add the earnings to the employee's year to date taxable wages, will tax the earnings, but will not include them in the employee's net pay.

1 In the Configure Company module, select **Earnings** under the Payroll menu.

- 2 If PAuto or PAutoNoK are not listed, Click .
- Enter "PAuto" in the Search field of the Selection box. There are two PAuto global earning codes from which to choose. Choose the one that applies to your 401k Plan:\*
  - PAuto Personal Use of Company Auto
  - PAutoNoK PAuto not included in 401k
- 4 Rename the Code and Description if you want to customize what appears on the employee's check stub and your reports..
- 5 Customize the remaining defaults as needed for your earning. Click vare
- Note: Whether or not PUCV is included in your 401k Plan depends on your plan. If you are not sure if your plan includes PUCV, check with your plan administrator.

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Step 1: Add the PUCV Code to an Employee. Once the PUCV code has been added to the company, the next step will be to add the code to the employee, if needed. Only Earnings that are scheduled to be paid at a regular or repeated frequency should be set up on an Employee's Earnings page. If this code is not needed then proceed to Step 3 to indicate the code on the paygrid for one-time use.

Follow these steps to set up on the employee's profile a PUCV code for regular or repeated use:

- 1 In the Manage Employees module, locate the employee to receive the code and click on their name.
- From the Compensation menu, choose Additional Earnings.
- 3 Click on + Add Earning

4 Select the proper PAuto / PAutoNoK earning code. Then click vare



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# Step 3: "Gross Up" the PUCV.

Most commonly you would gross up a PUCV amount if an employee has no other earnings (this includes the situation of having a terminated employee).

Follow these steps to gross up a PUCV amount for an employee:

- 1 In the paygrid, locate the appropriate employee and click on their name to open their employee pay details window.
- 2 Additional details for the earnings, deductions, taxes, etc., will be displayed for this particular paycheck. Reference the Earnings section. If the PUCV code has already been assigned to the employee, then skip to step (5).
- If the PUCV has not yet been assigned to the employee, then click on
   + Add Earnings
- 4 Select either the PAuto or PAutoNok code, whichever is needed, and click Add Selected
- 5 On the Earnings section, enter the applicable PUCV value in the **PAuto**/ **PAutoNok** earnings amount column.

Click the X in the top right corner to close the pay details window.

- 6 Reference the Deductions section and make sure deductions are on hold or zeroed out prior to grossing up.
- 7 Make sure the same employee's line is still selected, and click the Gross Up arrow button.
- 8 Enter a "0" in the **Desired Net Amount** field, and select "Reg-Regular" as the type of **Earning**.
- 9 Click the Calculate Gross Up button.
- Review the Gross to Net to make sure deductions are zeroed out and taxes were calculated.

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ote: As you can see in the screenshots above, the total tax amount due on the value of the PUCV is reflected in the employee's Reg-Regular earnings code and the net check is correct at \$0. Handling the PUCV situation by way of the gross up function is necessary if the employee is terminated and/or not going to be receiving any further pay, as it provides a way to record the PUCV and collect the taxes due. In effect, you are covering the employee's taxes. If the employee is not terminated and/or is actually going to receive another check in this calendar year, then you can recover the tax funds from the employees regular pay. Either way, the system will calculate the necessary employer taxes of FUI, SUI, and FICA.

#### MANAGING TIME OFF

# Managing Time Dff Frequently Asked Questions

#### **QUESTION #1**

Why are Time Off balances for employees not accruing correctly for the first payroll of the new year?

#### Answer:

There are a few possible reasons why the Time Off balances for employees may be incorrect.

- 1. An employee's available balance of PTO at the start of any new year will be determined by the benefit setup and selection for the Year End Process. There are two options to handle the Year End process – either zero out or rollover any balances from the previous year. Your Paycor support team can confirm how the benefit balances are set up for your payroll.
- 2. If the client is using Paycor Main Accruals...
  - If the client is using the new Perform Accruals if there is a problem it will be because of the configuration of the Time Off Plan. If Time Off Balances are incorrect after the rollover, then the client would want to check the configuration of the Time Off Plan by going to Company -> Configure Company -> Accruals -> Time Off Plans and open the plan in question and review the Rollover and amounts that are allowed to be rolled over.

Once you know the answers to these questions, utilize the chart below to allow you to choose the correct code for your business.

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#### **QUESTION #2**

What can I do to correct the employees' Time Off balances?

#### **Answer:**

There are several options to fix any incorrect Time Off balances for employees.

- 1. Create a new earning code
  - By setting up a new earning code that is not tied to the vacation accrual for the current year, anyone who took vacation during the final pay period in December which crossed over into new year would have their hours assigned to the earning code. This would restore the new year's balance to what it should be and prevent any manual adjustments from being necessary.
- 2. Manually adjust the balance
  - You may enter the employees' profiles in Perform and input the remaining hours using the "Start Balance" button so the employee's PTO balance would return to the correct amount.
- 3. If necessary, your Client Support Specialist may be able to complete an adjustment to correct the hours taken in both the previous and current years.

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See below for the steps to manually adjust the balance for employees via Perform:

- 1. Select the desired employee
- 2. From the Time & Attendance list, choose Accrual Activity
- 3. From the drop-down list, choose the desired benefit plan
- 4. The Adjust button under either the Starting Balance or Accrued Hours sections can be selected. A positive or negative number can be used to either add or take away from the current balance shown here.

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# Deduction Caps Frequently Asked Ruestions

#### **QUESTION #1**

How can I set up a deduction so that a specific amount comes out of each paycheck only up to a specific amount? For example, I have an employee who would like to contribute \$10 per paycheck to United Way, but only up to \$200 for the year.

#### Answer:

# Step 1: If the Deduction Code that you need is not currently setup, you will need to add this to your Company first. Follow the steps below to select a deduction code:

- 1 In the Configure Company module, select Deductions under the Payroll menu.
- 2 Click + Add Deduction .
- 3 Locate the correct code from the dropdown. You may type in the field to filter the results.
- Note: The user will be able to select a new code name and description for the deduction code in the next steps. However, it is important to select a template with the correct type in order for the deduction to calculate correctly. If unsure which type to choose, contact Paycor support.

Once selected, you may view and edit the settings.

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Add a Deduction Code

**Editing Deductions** 

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Add a Deduction Code

**Editing Deductions** 

# Step 2: Viewing and Editing Deductions.

Note: When editing an existing deduction code, keep in mind that this change will also affect any employee who already has this deduction attached to their record. If users do not wish for this change to affect those employees, they may choose to add a new deduction code instead. If unsure, contact Paycor support.

Follow these steps to configure settings for the Deduction Code:

1 Once a deduction has been added, you will be prompted to configure **Settings**:

Field	Options
Code	Users may re-name the deduction code by typing directly into this field. This is a 10-character field, and will appear on the employee's paystub.
Description	Users may re-name the description by typing directly into this field. This is a 30-character field, and will be used for internal (company) purposes only.
Amount	While users may decide to enter a specific dollar amount for a deduction code at the company level, it is not required. Most users will leave this field blank if the deduction amount varies, as they can add details later when attaching the code to an employee. However, if the deduction is standard for all, users may wish to enter the amount at the company level.
Factor	While users may decide to enter a specific factor for this deduction code at the company level, it is not typical. Most users will leave this field blank, as they can add details later if needed when attaching the code to an employee.
Frequency	Select the frequency that this item should be deducted from the employee's pay.

#### **Deduction Caps Quick Links**

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**Editing Deductions** 

**2** On this same screen, click the triangle to expand the **Advanced Settings** window. Configure these settings as appropriate:

Field	Options
Rate	If users wish to deduct a percentage rate (as opposed to a dollar amount as referenced above) that rate may be entered here. However, it is not required. Most users will leave this field blank if the deduction amount varies, as they can add details later when attaching the code to a specific employee. However, if the percentage is standard for all, users may wish to enter the amount at the company level.
Check Stub	This dropdown allows users to select whether deductions under this code should be printed on the employee's check stub.
Sequence	The sequence priority will be assigned by default, and refers to the sequence order in which a deduction should be calculated. This is normally important only when a custom equation has been built which depends on another deduction being calculated first. If in doubt, contact your representative.
Appear on W-2 Box 14	Select whether the amount deducted under this code should be displayed in Box 14 on the employee's W-2.
Short Fall Priority	This item indicates what priority this deduction should have should the employee's earnings not be enough to cover all of their scheduled deductions during any given pay period. The system follows a pre-determined priority order; however, users may change this if needed. If unsure about which priority order to assign to a deduction, contact your representative.

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**Editing Deductions** 

5 Click Save

- 3 On the same page, click the triangle to expand the Global Settings window. Review the original deduction code template settings (pay close attention to the Tax Category and confirm that it is correct).
- Verify whether this deduction is set to Calculate. If this is an active deduction code, click the checkbox. If the deduction code should no longer be used, make sure the checkbox is unchecked.

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#### **Deduction Caps Quick Links**

Add a Deduction Code Editing Deductions Adding or Editing Deduction Limits

# Step 3: Adding or Editing Deduction Limits.

1 Limit Rules may be set up when adding an deduction by clicking on "Add Limit Rules".

Or when editing a deduction by clicking the "Add Limit Rules" button.

2 An "Add Limit" pop-up box will appear.

Select the Frequency that the limit should follow, and the Maximum Amount to Withhold during that time frame.

- 3 Click 🗸 Save
- 4 This newly added Limit will impact all employees to which this deduction code is added.

Note: Adding a Limit on the Company level will apply that limit all employees set up with this deduction. To override a client level deduction limit, you may add a new limit for the same frequency directly on an employee's profile. If you would like to set up different limits for each individual employee, you may want to avoid setting up a Limit on the Company level and only do so at the employee level for each individual.

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#### **Deduction Caps Quick Links**

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**Editing Deductions** 

Follow the steps below to work with a deduction's limit rules for an Employee:

- 1 Limit Rules may be set up when adding or editing a deduction by clicking ADD LIMIT RULES.
- If the deduction has a maximum amount that should be withheld over the life of the deduction, enter that amount in the Total to Withhold field (at which point the Frequency field will set to YTD Limit and the corresponding Maximum Amount to Withhold field will reflect the same amount); OR

**Note**: Once a calendar year changes, the Maximum amount to Withhold will be reduced by the amount deducted in the prior year.

If there is a maximum amount that should be deducted over a specified period of time, then choose the appropriate Frequency and enter the applicable amount in the Maximum Amount to Withhold field.

Frequency options include:

• Per Pay Period

- QTD Limit = Quarter to date
- MTD Limit = Month to date
- YTD Limit = Year to date

Note: You may set a limit based on either Total to Withhold for the life of the deduction or Maximum Amount to Withhold within a different frequency, but not both. If you enter an amount in Total to Withhold the Frequency field will automatically set to YTD Limit and will be display only.



- 5 Click 🗸 Save
- 6 If a deduction uses Limit Rules, and has a Total to Withhold amount, a progress bar will be available to help track an employee's progress.

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Follow the steps below to edit an existing deduction's limit rules for an **employee**:

- 1 Select the deduction that you would like to edit.

2 Click the 🖌 action button. Then make any necessary edits

3 If you need to change a limit that is based on the life of the deduction, then be sure to adjust both the Total to Withhold and Maximum Amount to Withhold fields accordingly. If you are changing the limit to no longer be based on the life of the deduction but want it to instead be based on a different frequency, then zero out the Total to Withhold field and then set the Frequency and Maximum Amount to Withhold fields accordingly.

Note: For a limit that is based on the life of the deduction, once a calendar year changes, the Maximum amount to Withhold will be reduced by the amount deducted in the prior year.

4 To remove the limit setup, click **CLEAR LIMIT RULES**.



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### QUESTION #2

My employee has a deduction set up that has a Maximum amount set up to be paid of \$200. Only \$100 has been deducted from his check so far, but the deduction did not come out of the first paycheck of the new year. Why did it stop?

### Answer:

The deduction may not have been calculated on the first check of the new year due to initial setup of the deduction code. Please contact Paycor support who can confirm how the Year End Process was set up for the deduction.

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# Group Term Life Frequently Asked Ruestions

### **QUESTION #1**

Our company offers a Group Term Life insurance policy. How is the taxation of this amount handled?

### Answer:

Payroll issues with group term life policies can arise when an employer provides coverage to an employee in excess of the \$50,000 non-taxable limit. Any premiums paid on coverage in excess of \$50,000 are considered taxable income, less any employee after-tax payroll deductions for Federal, State (except Pennsylvania), FICA and local withholding. GTL income is not subject to FUTA or SUI tax (with some exceptions).

It is not mandatory to withhold Federal or State taxes from premiums paid on GTL in excess of \$50,000. However, the employee may have to pay taxes when filing their personal return. The income must be included as taxable income on the employee's W-2. Retired employees are not subject to Social Security and Medicare taxes at the time it is entered into payroll. The employee will be responsible for payment with personal taxes.

### **QUESTION #2**

What is my responsibility as the employer in regards to Group Term Life?

### Answer:

Employers are responsible for determining the value of the insurance benefit that must be included in the employee's taxable income. An employer has until the last pay period of the year to include excess premiums paid in an employee's income but it may be included throughout the year as well.

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### QUESTION #3

How do I determine the value of the insurance benefit that must be included in the employee's taxable income?

### Answer:

If you provide an employee with group-term life insurance coverage **over \$50,000**, the cost of employer-paid coverage that's in excess of \$50,000 is subject to FICA (Social Security and Medicare) tax.

**Determining the cost**: The cost subject to FICA tax isn't the actual cost charged by the insurance company; you must calculate the cost of the excess coverage using the Uniform Premium Table. The taxable value of \$1,000 worth of coverage for one month, based on the employee's age as of Dec. 31 of the year the coverage is provided, is as follows:

### • Younger than 25—\$0.05

- 25 to 29—0.06 50 to 54—0.23
- 30 to 34—0.08 55 to 59—0.43
- 35 to 39—0.09 60 to 64—0.66
- 40 to 44—0.10 65 to 69—1.27
- 45 to 49—0.15 70 and older—2.06

\*\*\*Most states follow these federal rules for taxing group-term coverage; review your state's laws for more information.

A Basic Calculation Example is provided below:

- An employee has a policy amount of \$60,000. The employee's date of birth is 2/10/1974.
- 60,000 -50,000 (non-taxable) = 10,000/1000. = \$10 (per month)
- Age 46 = \$.15 ( see chart in BNA Guide)
- \$.15 x \$10 = \$1.50
- \$1.50 \* 12 (12 months in a year) = \$18

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### **QUESTION #4**

I am not comfortable calculating the amounts to be entered for Group Term Life. Can Paycor help me do this?

### Answer:

Yes! Our system will calculate the correct amounts for each employee based on the information you enter into the GTL codes in Perform so that you do not have to do the manual calculation yourself. If you have already calculated the amounts, the GTL codes will let you enter a fixed amount as well.

### **QUESTION #5**

How do I enter the Group Term Life amount in Perform?

### **Answer:**

Before beginning the setup for GTL in Perform, we recommend considering the following questions. This will ensure you are setting up the information accurately.

- 1. Do you want these amounts to be processed with the next payrun? If the last payrun of the year has already been processed, you'll need to do an additional run. There are tax considerations for additional runs.
- 2. Would you like to add these amounts to the employees' regular checks or do you want them separate?

A separate entry allows the client to track the GTL amount from regular pay.

- 3. Have you calculated the amounts or will this be based on factor of salary? *This will help you determine the calculation type in Perform.*
- 4. Should 401k be calculated?

This will help you determine whether or not to use the code that includes 401K in the calculation.

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5. How do you want these taxed?

These amounts are fully taxable and not exempt from anything. However, you do not have to withhold for Federal and State.

6. Are any employees for whom you are entering GTL amounts terminated? If the employee is terminated, you'll need to determine how you will be covering the taxes – through a gross up or tax offset deduction code. If you're using the tax offset, you can collect the taxes with the employee's next paycheck. Contact your Client Support Specialist with any questions about this process.

# Step 1: Set Up the GTL Earning Code. Follow the steps below to select an earning code:

Go to the Configure Company module, select Earnings under the Payroll menu.

- Click + Add Earning .
- The global list of earning codes will display. This will allow the user to select a template for creating the earning code. Search for "GTL". Locate the correct code, and click the 🛨 button next to that GTL code.

Note: The user will be able to select a new name and description for the earning code in the next steps. However, it is important to select the GTL code with the correct Group Term Life category (determine whether your GTL policies include retirement deductions when calculating).

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GL50	Enter a policy amount, and then the system calculates
(401k calculates on this earning code)	<ul> <li>Policy amount can be entered at the Employee and Client level</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Can be calculated based on a factor of salary</li> <li>Allows a flat premium amount to be entered (based on</li> </ul>
	code setting)
	<ul> <li>System can recalculate policy amount based on client level settings (i.e., rate changes or rates at a client defined date)</li> <li>System also can recalculate premiums during the Year End process</li> </ul>
GTLN401K	
(401k does not calculate on this earning code)	Same as above. (except no 401k calculates)

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Note: The codes GL50NC and GL50NkNC do not need to be used. The codes were used prior to Perform when calculating on a flat premium amount.

Step 2: Configure Settings and Save. Follow these steps to configure settings for the Earning Code:

1 Once users have selected the Earning Code, users will be prompted to configure Settings. Change the Code and Description to help you better identify this earning on a paystub or report.

Field	Options
Code	Users may re-name the earning code by typing directly into this field. This is a 10-character field, and will appear directly on the employee's paystub.
Description	Users may re-name the description by typing directly into this field. This is a 30-character field used for internal (company) purposes only.

2 Depending on your plan's details, you can set up the GTL code based on a "Fixed Amount" or a "Factor of Salary". This selection will drive how Perform calculates the GTL premiums for each employee.

Note: To aid you in the setup of your policy, Paycor does provide information icons *i* throughout the application. You may hover over any icon for additional information.

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### **Fixed Amount**

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	<ul> <li>Premium: list the specific premium amount that should be taken out of an employee's pay stub. (i.e., \$5 per pay period)</li> </ul>
Amount	Users may enter the specific policy or premium amount for the entire organization for this GTL code at the company level. If it varies by employee, we recommend setting this up on each employee's profile.

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Step 3: Adding a GTL Policy to an Employee.

Follow the steps below to open the employee and navigate to add an additional earning:

1 Go to the Manage Employees module, and locate the necessary employee.

- **2** Using the left navigation menu, click Compensation, then Additional Earnings. The employee's current earning codes will display.
- 3 Click + Add Earning .
- Select the necessary GTL earning code. Click Save
- If necessary, check the box next to Employee Override. This will allow you to enter or update the Policy Amount or Premium Amount.
- Note: Factor of Salary: By checking this box, the Policy Amount will no longer recalculate when changes are made to the Employee's Rate of Pay and setting on the Client Earning.

**Fixed Amount - Policy**: By checking this box, the Policy Amount entered will override the Policy Amount set on the Client Earning.

**Fixed Amount - Premium**: By checking this box, the Premium Amount entered will override the Premium Amount set on the Client Earning.

6 Verify that all of your selections are accurate. Click <a>Save</a>

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While processing a payroll, users may find it necessary to make changes to an employee.

These **one-time changes** can be made while working in the paygrid (**Enter Paydata** screen).

Note: Any changes made while in the paygrid will be **one-time changes**. These changes will only take place on this particular payrun (for example, users may wish to remove a deduction only for the current pay period). Permanent employee changes, that will be effective for all paychecks going forward, must be made in the **Manage Employees** module.

Once the appropriate payrun has been selected, users will be working in the **Enter Paydata** screen.

Follow these steps in order to enter a GTL Annual Premium amount:

- 1 Locate the appropriate employee and click on their name to open their employee details window.
- 2 Additional details for the earnings, deductions, and taxes will be displayed for this particular paycheck. Reference the **Earnings** section.
- 3 Click on + Add Earnings .
- Select either the "GL50" or "GTLN401K" earning code. Click Add Selected . System will prompt you "Do you want to calculate on an annual frequency?".
- 5 Click Yes .

Note: If you click No, a row will be added where you can add a regular one-time amount.

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**6** The **Group Term Life Premium** pop-up box will appear where you must enter the Premium information.

- Policy Amount: Enter the policy amount.
- Paid Deduction: Enter any amount that has been paid out already.
- Calculated Premium: This is determined by the system and based on the employee's age, policy amount, and the IRS table.

Click Ok

7 The Annual Premium will be added as the Earning amount in the drawer. Click on **Gross To Net** area to see the updated amount that will now be taxed upon.

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