# Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Townhall

September 4, 2024



# Housekeeping



## Status of EVV Townhall Webinars

- Today's EVV Townhall webinar is the final webinar in series of six
- All Illinois EVV Townhall webinar presentation slides, recordings, and Q&A will be available at the <u>HFS EVV Townhall webpage</u>
- The State will decide when to schedule additional webinars and at what cadence
- Future EVV webinars may be payer/HCBS Waiver Operating agency specific or policy specific
- HFS will work to establish an EVV specific listserv



## **REMINDER: HFS EVV Resources**

- HFS EVV Website
- HFS Provider Notices \*sign up for Home Health and Waiver to receive EVV updates\*
- HFS.EVV@illinois.gov \*for State Plan HHCS providers, general EVV inquiries, and escalation of concerns submitted to HHAeXchange\*

#### **Additional State EVV Resources**

#### **DHS DDD**

- DHS DDD EVV Resources
- DHS.DDDEVV@ILLINOIS.gov \*for in-scope DDD providers\*

#### **IDoA**

Aging.EVVSupport@illinois.gov \*for in-scope IDoA providers\*

#### **DSCC**

- DSCC EVV Resources
- O365-dscc-evv@UIC365.onmicrosoft.com \*for in-scope DSCC providers\*

#### **DHS DRS**

- DHS DRS EVV Resources
- DHS.EVV@illinois.gov \*for in-scope DRS providers\*



# Submitting Unresolved Concerns to HFS.EVV@illinois.gov:

- Include Your Provider Agency Name
- Include Your Tax Identification Number (TIN)
- Include Your Latest HHAeXchange <u>Client Support</u> <u>Portal Ticket Number</u>
- Include A Summary of Your Concern



# August 20, 2024, EVV Townhall Recap Topics

- Reminder of Implementation Timeframes
- State Outreach and Compliance Monitoring
- Full Caregiver SSN Requirement; Rationale, Privacy Concerns, Programming Updates, etc.
- Adding Multiple Disciplines to Caregivers
- Updating Member's Accepted Services
- Service Code Discussion
- EDI FAQ
- Manual Visit Confirmation



#### Revisiting August 20, 2024, Q&A

#### I. Utilization of Contractual Therapy Companies

- Fax and eDocs are not sufficient for compliance with the Federal 21st Century Cure's Act
- Medicaid funded PT/OT/ST/OTA/PTA services are subject to EVV requirements
- Above providers must use EVV systems that capture all six data elements required by the Cure's Act (see "What EVV Must Capture" at <u>HFS EVV website</u>)

#### II. MMAI and EVV

- For Home Health Care agencies, only Medicaid codes included in the HFS Home Health Fee Schedule are applicable:
  - https://hfs.illinois.gov/medicalproviders/medicaidreimbursement/hhfeeschedule.html.
- Services paid 100% by the Medicare component of MMAI, or those services billed under Medicare billing guidelines, are not subject to EVV requirements.



## Revisiting August 20, 2024, Q&A (cont.)

#### III. Medicaid as Secondary Payer

 Any PCS or HHCS billed to Medicaid is required to have the accompanying EVV data elements.

#### IV. Supportive Documentation for Manually Confirmed Visits

- Please refer to your respective payer to determine whether customer signature is required to verify time worked when a manual visit entry or edit occurs.
- It is best practice for provider agency administrators to require customer verification that the visit took place, especially for auditing purposes.
- The State expects provider agencies to have processes in place that include collection of evidence to confirm visits took place



## Revisiting August 20, 2024, Q&A (cont.)

#### V. DRS and Sandata

- Individual Providers serving DRS waiver customers should continue using Sandata
- Homemaker agencies and Home Health Care Service (HHCS) agencies serving DRS customers should continue transmitting DRS EVV data from third-party systems to Sandata
- Once a DRS go-live date is established, providers billing DRS will receive additional guidance

#### VI. Changing Caregiver E-mail Address in Mobile Ap

- Provider agency administrators may update caregiver e-mail addresses within the web-based agency portal
- The update should transfer to the caregiver profile within the mobile ap
- Contact HHAeXchange Client Support via their <u>Client Support portal</u> or by calling (833) 961-7429 with additional questions/concerns.



# REMINDER: Previous Illinois EVV Implementation Timelines

- **September 1, 2023:** Personal Support Workers (PSWs) under the Adult with Developmental Disabilities waiver and the Children and Young Adults with Developmental Disabilities waiver.
- **December 31, 2023:** Home Health Care Services (HHCS) for providers billing Illinois State Plan Medicaid, <u>Healthchoice Illinois (HCI)</u> Managed Care Organizations (MCOs), <u>Medicare-Medicaid Alignment Initiative (MMAI)</u> MCOs, Division of Specialized Care for Children (DSCC), and Illinois Department of Human Services' (DHS) Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD).



## **IDoA EVV Implementation Delay**

- EVV will NOT Go live for IDoA on 11/01/2024.
- July 12, 2024, HFS Provider Notice
- Implementation has been delayed until further notice.
- This <u>ONLY</u> impacts:
  - In-Home Providers or Homemaker agencies serving IDoA
     CCP customers



## **Aggregation of DRS EVV Data**

- HFS, HHAeXchange, and DRS are currently involved in Discovery Meetings
- Anticipate continued use of Sandata
- Providers will be notified once a date is established for aggregation of DRS EVV data



## **EVV In-Scope Providers**

- I. In-Scope Providers actively providing/billing for services MUST:
  - Complete <u>HHAeXchange Provider Enrollment form</u>
  - Use free HHAeXchange option OR;
  - Use a Cure's Act compliant Third-Party EVV system AND transmission of data to HHAeXchange

#### II. State Outreach In Response to Lack of EVV Activity

- EDI providers must report to the State what step they are on with EDI Integration (steps available within <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jhp.2007/jhp.
- EDI Integration is expected no later than September 30, 2024



## **EVV In-Scope Providers (cont.)**

#### II. State Outreach In Response to Lack of EVV Activity (cont.)

 Adjustment of IMPACT enrollment is required if provider agencies do not plan to bill the State for in-scope services. https://impact.illinois.gov/; 1-877-782-5565

## **EVV Policy**

- Refer to respective payer for EVV compliance policies (DSCC, DDD, IDoA, DRS, or <u>HFS for State Plan and MCO funded HHCS</u>)
- Expectation that 50% of overall visits are compliant with 21<sup>st</sup> Century Cure's Act within sixth months of October 31, 2024/the start of compliance monitoring; 75% overall visit compliance within 12 months.
- Requirements for development of a Compliance Action Plan (CAP) and remediation within ninety (90) days.
- Referral to HFS OIG for investigation when no remediation occurs.



## **EVV Policy (cont.)**

- Tracking of full caregiver SSNs by no later than 10/17/2024 (see <u>July 26, 2024, HFS Provider Notice</u>)
- Non-compliance penalties apply for no EVV activity, or lack of EVV data transmission to HHAeXchange
- Customer/Employer accountability in managing self-directed services (individual providers (personal assistants, non-agency CNAs, etc., and personal support workers)
- IMPACT agreement has been updated to reflect provider acknowledgement of EVV requirements and provider attestation of compliance
- FOR EDI ONLY: must take steps to transition to free HHA solution if integration with third-party vendor has not occurred by September 3, 2024



## **REMINDER: SIX Cure's Act Elements**

- 1. Type of service performed
- 2. Individual receiving the service
- 3. Date of service
- 4. Location of service delivery
- 5. Individual providing the service
- 6. Time the service begins and ends

If current systems cannot capture these elements, then use of the free HHAeXchange solution is required (see HHAeXchange FAQ for instructions on how to switch from HHA to third-party or vice versa)



## Social Security Number (SSN) Requirement

- Review <u>August 20, 2024, Illinois EVV Townhall</u> webinar slides and recording for rationale, privacy concerns, etc.
- Programming Updates to mask caregiver search screen for all users, except provider agency administrators.
- Guidance from HHAeXchange for EDI providers



## **Addressing MCO Authorization Concerns**

- Currently, MCOs are sending authorization files to HHAeXchange for HHCS when authorizations are required
- When Providers encounter concerns stemming from MCO authorization data, e.g., a required authorization is not present for the member receiving services, the provider should reach out to the MCO
- Otherwise, utilize the <u>HHAeXchange Client Support portal</u>
- HFS.EVV@illinois.gov for policy inquiries



### **MCO EVV Contacts**

MCO	EVV E-mail		
Aetna HealthChoice Illinois (HCI)	General Authorization Inquiries:		
	UMInquiryABHIL@AETNA.com		
	EVV Authorization File: darnelln@aetna.com		
Aetna Medicare-Medicaid	AetnalLMMAIEVVCompliance@aetna.com		
Alignment Initiative (MMAI)			
Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS) HCI	LTSS_SupportCtr@bcbsil.com		
and MMAI			
CountyCare HCI	countycare.evv@cookcountyhealth.org		
Humana MMAI	ILMMAI-LTSSCM@humana.com		
Meridian HCI and MMAI	MeridianEVV@centene.com		
Molina HCI and MMAI	Itsseti@molinahealthcare.com		





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## Agenda



- Introductions
- Recent Hot Topics
- EDI Provider FAQ
- Tracking EVV Compliance
- General FAQ (Resources)
- HHAeXchange Customer Care & Other Resources



# HHAeXchange Team

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## **Team Introductions**





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## Recent Hot Topics



## **HHAeXchange Portal Setup**











#### Step 1:

Complete
HHAeXchange
Provider Enrollment
Form

#### Step 2:

3rd party Vendor
Providers: Complete
IL Attestation form, and
"API Configuration"
Support Ticket for
vendor integration
and complete
integration steps

#### Step 3:

Complete LMS Training and receive HHAeXchange Portal Credentials

#### Step 4:

HHAeXchange Users: Begin entering EVV data in HHAeXchange system

3<sup>rd</sup> party Vendor Providers: Work with vendor to import EVV visit data into HHAeXchange system

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### **IDOA Provider Status**



- Providers integrated for IL Department on Aging members specifically
  - Integration with IDOA and HHAeXchange is not active at this time
  - Agencies do not need to take any action, integration will remain valid and visits can be submitted once integration with IL DOA data is completed



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#### Step 4:

Work with vendor to import EVV visit data into HHAeXchange system

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#### **HHAeXchange Portal - Switching Methods**



- How do I switch from EDI to HHAX EVV or vice versa?
- Please submit a ticket to our Technical Customer Care team, advising them
  of your intent to switch from one method to another. Our team will be able
  to direct you through the proper steps
- The steps can also be found on the State Info Hub in the detailed FAQ



### **Tracking Caregivers by SSN**



- The State has issued guidance that agencies should begin using the full caregiver's (provider's) Social Security Number (SSN) to track them in HHAeXchange
- What does this mean for agencies using HHAeXchange EVV?
  - Update existing caregiver profiles to include the full SSN and create new profiles with this going forward
  - The caregiver does not need to make any changes with the Mobile App
- What does this mean for EDI agencies?
  - Update existing caregiver profiles to include the full SSN via the API and send new records with this going forward
  - Caregiver ID / Employee ID / External ID (whatever ID is used in your EVV vendor system) will remain the unique identifier for each caregiver profile

#### Tracking Caregivers by SSN - EDI Providers



#### **Edit Caregiver SSN in HHAX system**

- If agencies want to edit caregiver SSN in HHAX system directly that is possible
- Need to work with your vendor to ensure API only sends NEW caregivers to HHAX (not updates)
- Any updated profile with a value in SSN field (even if '99999999') will overwrite profile in HHAX

#### Send SSN through Caregiver API

- Send caregiver SSN on Caregiver API
- Caregiver SSN will process into HHAX system

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## Tracking Caregivers (Providers) by SSN - Cont'd

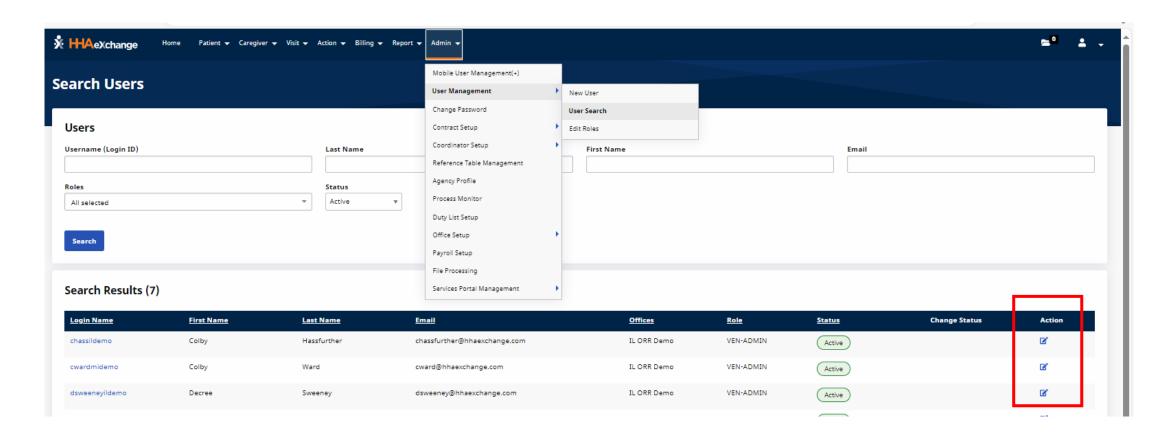


- HHAeXchange system updated to allow for SSN management by users with Admin user roles ONLY
- System now masks SSN for all other user roles



### Tracking Caregivers (Providers) by SSN - Cont'd



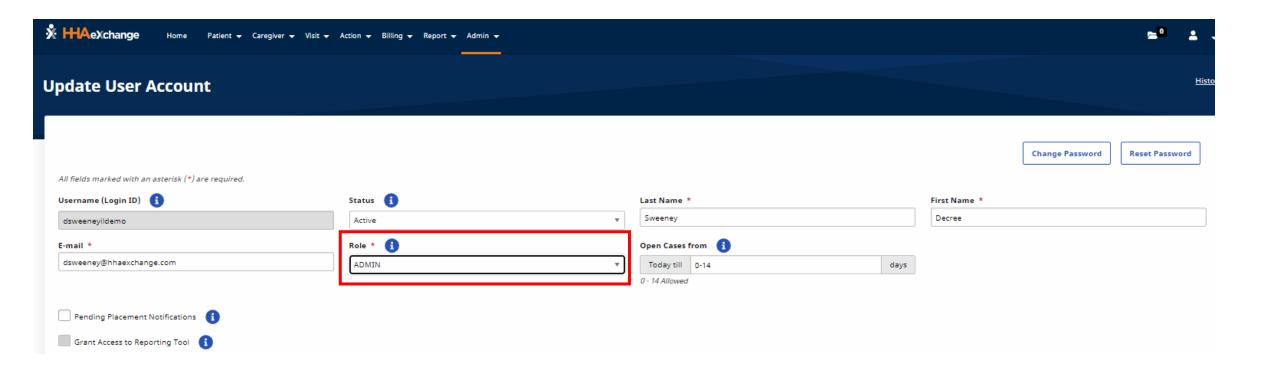




## Tracking Caregivers (Providers) by SSN - Cont'd



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#### Adding Multiple Disciplines to Caregivers



- Caregivers with Multiple Disciplines
  - EDI Providers should add "both" as provider type to ensure data processes accordingly

		Caregiver's Type.			
11	type	Possible Values: Skilled, Non-Skilled or Both	15	String	Required
		Select 'Both' to reduce conflict rejections in the Visits endpoint when			

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#### Adding Multiple Disciplines to Caregivers

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Caregivers with Multiple Disciplines

In HHAX system, multiple disciplines can be added / updated on

caregiver profile **New Caregiver** All fields marked with an asterisk ( \* ) are required. Caregiver Type \* IL ORR Demo Demographics First Name Last Name Middle Name Initials \* Date of Birth Alt. Caregiver Code mm/dd/yyyy Ethnicity Rehire Date Country of Birth Rehire Select mm/dd/yyyy Dependents **Employment Information** Status \* Select □ нна □ PCA □ RN □ PT □ LPN □ OT □ ST □ MSW □ NT □ RT □ PA □ CNA Other (Non Skilled) ☐ APC Other (Skilled) □ SCM □ sci □ нмк ☐ ILST □ PBIS □ RESP ESC

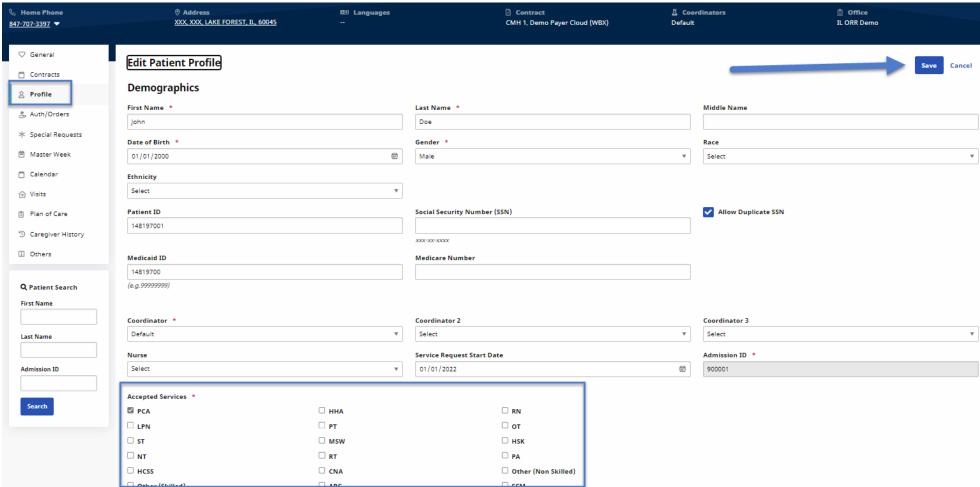
□ CBSA



### **Updating Member's Accepted Services**



- Members Accepting Multiple Services
  - Update accepted services on member's profile





### **Service Code Discussion**



- PT and OT Service Codes with combined disciplines:
  - G0151, G0151:U2 and G0152, G0152:U2
- System related updates being made to accept either PT/PTA and OT/OTA services as appropriate for the purposes of EVV
- Impacted providers will receive outreach from HHAeXchange, confirming both types of visits will now be accepted in the system



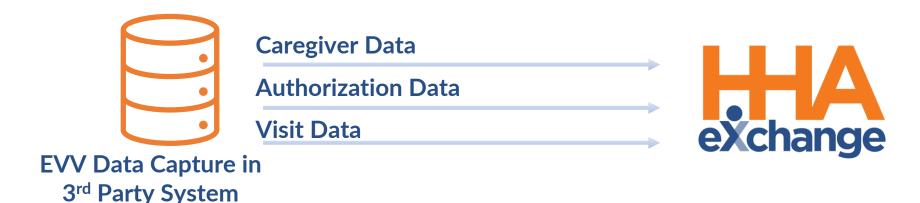
# EDI Provider FAQ



# **EDI Provider FAQ - File Processing**



- Three separate API processes can run concurrently between an agency's EVV vendor and HHAeXchange
  - If you are utilizing this workflow it is your agency's responsibility to work with your vendor on how these processes are managed, as it is unique to each vendor
  - If you are unsure on this workflow ask your EVV vendor about tools in place for processing and monitoring





# **EDI Provider FAQ**



Contract	Program	Member Placement and Authorization Responsibility
Division of Developmental	HHCS & PCS (Personal Support	
Disabilities	Worker)	Provider Agency
Division of Specialized Care for Children	r HHCS	Provider Agency
Department of Health &		
Family Services (State Plan)	HHCS	Provider Agency
	HHCS (when authorization is not	
IL MCOs	required yet)	Provider Agency
	HHCS (when authorization is	
IL MCOs	required)	Payer (MCO)
IL MCOs	PCS (Homemaker)	Payer (MCO)

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# **EDI Provider FAQ - Visit Rejections**



- For visit rejections for MCO services where authorizations are required and sent by MCO – please reach out to the MCO team to inquire on your member or authorization status
- NOTE: this differs than the authorization workflow for HFS, DSCC, and DDD services



# Tracking EVV Compliance

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# What is EVV Compliance?



- EVV Compliance is a metric, which tracks the number of visits without missing data elements or manual edits compared to the total number of visits in a given time period
- As part of CMS's requirements for the State, the State must report EVV Compliance % across the entire provider network
- Best practice: Each agency should know its EVV Compliance %.
   EVV Compliance should be included as policy for workers and a part of regular re-training activities



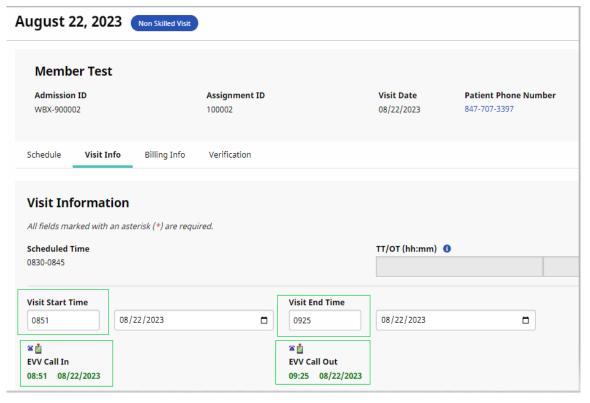
# What is an Exception?



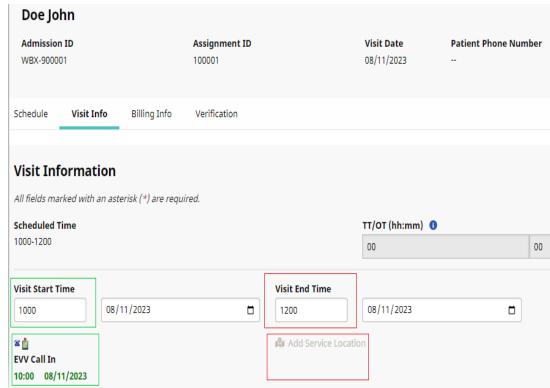
- Exception: A visit with a missing electronic data element or manual edit after it was electronically captured
- Reasons for Exceptions:
  - Missing Clock In
  - Missing Clock Out
  - Missing Clock In & Out
  - TEMP Caregiver Assigned
  - Missing Latitude & Longitude (when confirmed via GPS)
  - Missing Caller ID (when confirmed via Telephony)
  - Manual Edit (Visit Start/End Times do not match EVV Start/End Times)

# **Examples of Compliance vs Non-Compliance**

#### **Compliant Visit**



#### **Non-Compliant Visit**





# Tracking Compliance in HHAeXchange



- Regardless of whether the worker used EVV on a shift, all shifts for EVV required services should be entered in HHAeXchange.
- Key reports in HHAeXchange for tracking compliance & exceptions:
  - Exceptions Summary by Agency
  - Exception Detail Report
  - Exceptions by Caregiver
    - The reports are located by clicking Reports > Exception Reports



# How can I Reduce my Exceptions?



#### 1. Missing clock in / out

 Discuss workflow with caregivers, discuss expectations if visit goes long or they arrive early to a visit

#### 2. TEMP Caregiver Assigned

Create master week schedules with assigned caregivers for each member

#### 3. Additional Areas to Review:

- Review GPS coordinates for all members are they accurate where the member lives or receives services?
- Review phone number associated with each member is this the member's home phone number?
- Confirmed visit times do NOT need to be exact and only should be updated if the recorded time differs from what was provided by caregiver



# How can I Reduce my Exceptions? - cont'd



#### 4. EDI providers

- Review APIs to make sure data is accurately transmitting to HHAeXchange
  - Validate EVV times match visit times
  - Validate ONLY manually confirmed visits have edit reasons and action taken
  - Coordinate updates with your vendor
- Compliance reporting should be referenced in HHAeXchange system to ensure values match
- This ensures accuracy of data between your EVV system and HHAeXchange



### **Exception Report Example**



#### **Exception by Caregiver**

 Report can be used to identify Caregivers with high exception rates for EVV re-training

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							Report Date: 0	4/01/2024 08:12
Office(s): IL ORR Demo		From Date: 7/1/2023		To Date: 4/1/2024				
Caregiver: All		Type of Service: Non-Skilled		Coordinator: All				
Discipline(s): All					Contract(s): All			
Caregiver Location(s): All		Caregiver Team(s): All		Caregiver Branch(es): All				
Sr.#	Caregiver ‡	Caregiver Name \$	Contract \$	Confirmed ‡ Visits	Billed Visits \$	Missed ‡ Visits	Exceptions \$	% ‡ Exceptions
MI Demo								
1	WBX-1003	Bob Kristen	Demo Payer Cloud (WBX)	1	0	0	0	0.00%
2	WBX-1001	Doe Jane	Demo Payer Cloud (WBX)	7	0	0	2	28.57%
3	WBX-1002	Hassfurther Colby	Demo Payer Cloud (WBX)	10	0	0	3	30.00%
4	WBX-1005	Johnson Elliot	Demo Payer Cloud (WBX)	2	0	0	0	0.00%
5	1000	Temp Temp	Demo Payer Cloud (WBX)	1	0	0	1	100.00%
Total:				21	0	0	6	
Grand Total:				21	0	0	6	

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# General FAQ Resources

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# **Acronyms Library**



- API Application Programming Interface
- EDI Electronic Data Interchange (also referred to as 'Third-party')
- ESD EDI Support Desk
- EVV Electronic Visit Verification
- HHA/HHAX HHAeXchange
- LMS Learning Management System
- QA Quality Assurance



### **HHAeXchange Account Access**



Links for common HHAeXchange administrative functions:

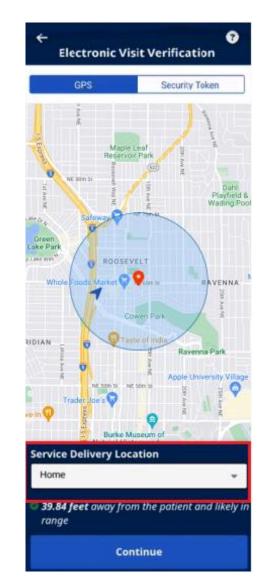
- 1. New User Management
  - a. Job Aid
- 2. Password Reset for your account
  - b. Job Aid
- 3. Password Reset for others on your team
  - c. Job Aid



# **Confirming Visits in the Community**



- If your caregivers start or end visits in the community, they can use the Community feature within the Mobile App to make clocking in and out easier.
- As caregivers are clocking in and out, they will see a "Service Delivery Location" dropdown menu. Here they can select "Community" as needed.





# **Update Portal to Central Time (CST)**



- Your portal may have been configured in Eastern Time. If you notice this is the case, and you'd like to change it, please follow the steps below.
  - 1. Navigate to Admin > Office Setup > Search Office
  - 2. Select Office and verify time zone under the "Address" section



3. Submit a ticket to HHAeXchange Technical Customer Care using the Client Support Portal. Our team will be able to make the change on your behalf.

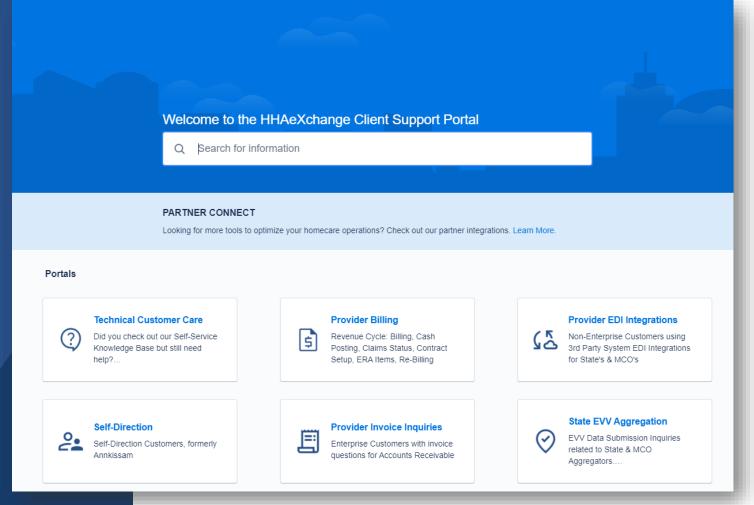


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# Client Support Portal



https://www.hhaexchange.com/supportrequest



# **HHA Technical Customer Care**

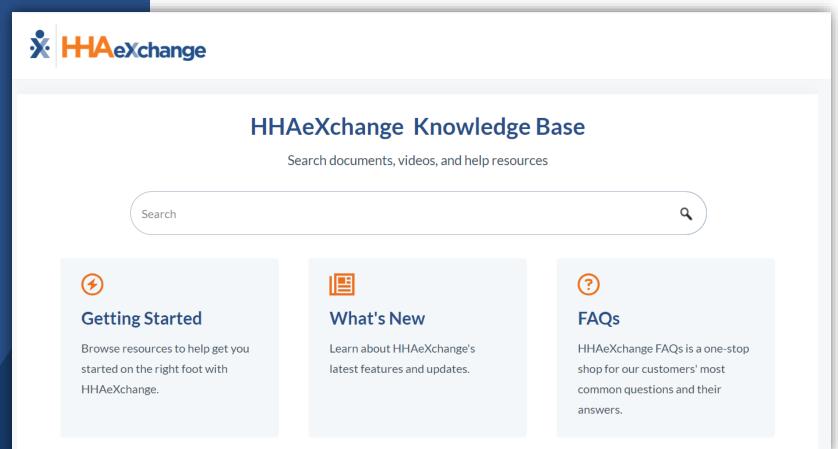


#### Client Support Portal: <a href="https://hhaexchange.com/supportrequest">https://hhaexchange.com/supportrequest</a>

- Recommended to always include relevant details to help us solve your issue:
  - Agency Tax ID
  - Explanation of issue and steps taken to reproduce the issue (if applicable)
  - Examples/screenshots
  - Anything else you think might help us
- Select the Right Team:
  - Technical Customer Care HHAeXchange portal technical assistance (e.g. navigation, error messages within portal, login help, etc.)
  - Provider EDI Integrations Assistance with setting up a new EDI integration with your vendor, questions about rejections or specifications, etc.



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# Knowledge Base

**HHAeXchange Provider Knowledge Base** 





# State Info Hub



https://hhaexchange.com/info-hub/illinois

#### **HHAeXchange Support**



**State Info Hub** 

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**Client Support Portal** 

https://hhaexchange.com/supportrequest



Email

ILSupport@hhaexchange.com



**Phone** 

833-961-7429

#### **Illinois Home Health Support**



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# Provider Resources



# Q&A



**State Info Hub** 



**Client Support Portal** 



# Thank you!