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## 2014 Supporting Documentation Job Aid Manual

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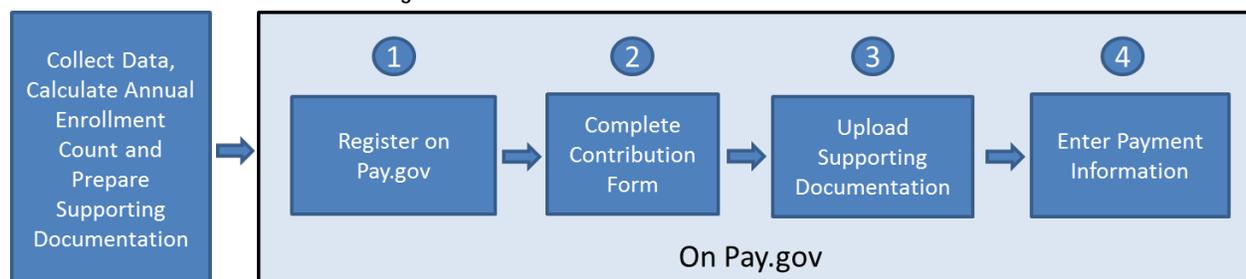
# 1 Overview

Section 1341 of the Affordable Care Act established a transitional reinsurance program to stabilize premiums inside and outside of Marketplaces. The transitional reinsurance program requires the collection of contributions from health insurance issuers and self-insured group health plans for reinsurance payments to non-grandfathered individual market plans, program costs, and the General Fund of the US Treasury. CMS has implemented a streamlined process for the collection of reinsurance contributions where a Contributing Entity, or a third party administrator (TPA) or administrative services-only (ASO) on behalf of the Contributing Entity, is able to complete all required steps for the ACA Transitional Reinsurance Contributions Process on the Pay.gov website at <https://www.pay.gov> by submitting the ACA Transitional Reinsurance Annual Enrollment and Contribution Submission Form (Form) via Pay.gov.

The transitional reinsurance program also requires the submission of a Contributing Entity’s Annual Enrollment Count in Supporting Documentation that is submitted with the Form. The Job Aid referenced in these instructions is designed to support reporting entities in the creation of the Supporting Documentation. The Job Aid is a Microsoft (MS) Excel workbook that allows users to enter, validate, and convert Contributing Entity information in the proper layout and into a Comma Separated Value (.CSV) file format.

This document will enable a Contributing Entity, or a TPA or ASO on behalf of the Contributing Entity, to use the Job Aid and create the Supporting Documentation required to complete step 3 of the required steps for the reinsurance contributions process as shown in Figure 1. A Contributing Entity, or a TPA or ASO on behalf of the Contributing Entity, has the ability to type information directly into the Job Aid or to paste data from another source. After entering data and reviewing it for accuracy, users can run an error check and create the .CSV file that must be uploaded with the Form on Pay.gov.

Figure 1: Transitional Reinsurance Process Overview



For the purposes of this document, the entity completing the process will be referred to as the “Reporting Entity.” We define a Reporting Entity as a Contributing Entity, or a

TPA, ASO, or any other party filing the reinsurance contributions on behalf of a Contributing Entity.



For additional information regarding the transitional reinsurance program contribution submission process, including the 2014 Supporting Documentation file layout requirements, go to REGTAP at <https://www.regtap.info>, select Library, and then Filter by Program Area: Reinsurance-Contributions; or visit the CCIO webpage: <https://www.cms.gov/CCIO/Programs-and-Initiatives/Premium-Stabilization-Programs/The-Transitional-Reinsurance-Program/Reinsurance-Contributions.html>.

## 2 Instructions for Enabling Macros in the Job Aid

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### 2.1 Compatibility/Requirements

In order to successfully use the Job Aid, you must have MS Excel 2007 or higher, and a Windows operating system.



The Job Aid is not compatible with MAC operating systems.

### 2.2 Confirm Your Macros Are Not Enabled

If you open the Job Aid workbook and the first page you see is a Start Message screen, it means that macros are not enabled. MS Excel requires that you confirm the source of the Excel file by explicitly enabling macros to prevent users from inadvertently downloading harmful Excel files from unknown sources.



For the Job Aid to work correctly, you must enable macros.

If you open the Job Aid workbook and the first page you see is the Data Entry Worksheet, this means your macros are enabled.

## 2.3 Enable Macros

To establish a Trusted Location that will allow you to continue to work with the Job Aid by enabling macros for all files in the defined location, follow the steps below.

### For Excel 2007

1. Set/confirm the global macro security setting for your computer:
  - a) Click the Office button and select “Excel Options.”
  - b) Select “Trust Center,” “Trust Center Settings,” then “Macro Settings.”
  - c) Select “Disable all macros with notifications.”
2. Enable macros for the Job Aid:
  - a) Select the “Options” button and select “Enable this content.”

### For Excel 2010

1. Set/confirm the global macro security setting for your computer:
  - a) Click “File” and select “Options.”
  - b) Select “Trust Center,” “Trust Center Settings, then “Macro Settings.”
  - c) Select “Disable all macros with notifications.”
2. Enable macros for the Job Aid by setting up a Trusted Location on your computer where the Job Aid will run:
  - a) From the “Trust Settings” screen, click “Trusted Locations.”
  - b) Select “Add New Location.”
  - c) Browse to the path where you plan to store and run the Job Aid, and select “OK.”



If you see the “Protected View” message in the yellow banner at the top of your screen, click on the button “Enable Editing.” Upon doing that, if you see the “Security Warning” in the yellow banner at the top of your screen, click on the button “Enable Content.” This should take you to the Data Entry Worksheet screen.

## 3 Instructions for Completing the Job Aid

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### 3.1 Enter Reporting Entity Information

Enter Reporting Entity Information, as shown in Figure 2.



You must enter Reporting Entity information before entering any other data into the Job Aid.

Figure 2: Enter Reporting Entity Information

<b>Reporting Entity Information:</b>	
Legal Business Name	Raven Health <b>1</b>
Federal Tax ID Number	12-3456789 <b>2</b>
Type of Payment	Combined Collection <b>3</b>
	Combined Collection
	Two-Part Collection

1. Enter the Reporting Entity Legal Business Name (LBN). Do not enter any special characters, which include: \* < > \ / % ^ ` { } ~ [ ] ! & + = ? , # “
2. Enter the Reporting Entity Federal Tax Identification Number (TIN) as NN-NNNNNNN.



The data entered in this section will auto-populate the Reporting Entity LBN and Reporting Entity TIN columns of the Job Aid, so no repeated entry of the Reporting Entity information is necessary. This will ensure consistency of the Reporting Entity information throughout the Job Aid.

3. Select the Type of Payment (Combined collection or Two-Part collection) from the drop-down menu.



This will enable the Job Aid to monitor the sum of all annual enrollment counts in the file against the limit for each of the payment types.

## 3.2 Enter Contributing Entity Information

You have the option to enter data manually row-by-row or copy and paste the information into the Contributing Entity information fields listed across the Job Aid. The Record Number, Reporting Entity Legal Business Name, and Federal TIN will populate automatically from the Reporting Entity Information you entered in [Section 3.1: Enter Reporting Entity Information](#), as shown in Figure 3.

Figure 3: Pre-filled Record Number and Reporting Entity Information

Record Number (pre-filled)	Reporting Entity Legal Business Name (LBN) (pre-filled)	Federal Tax ID Number (TIN) (pre-filled)
1	Raven Health	12-3456789
2	Raven Health	12-3456789
3	Raven Health	12-3456789
4	Raven Health	12-3456789

To enter data manually row-by-row, follow the steps as shown in Figure 4 through Figure 6.

Figure 4: Enter Contributing Entity Information, Steps 1-4

1	Contributing Entity Legal Business Name (LBN) (Maximum 150 characters)	2	Federal Tax ID Number (TIN) (nn-nnnnnn)	3	Organization Type (For Profit or Nonprofit)	4	Billing Address Line 1 (Maximum 150 characters)
	ABC Company		12-3456788		For Profit		23 Main Street
	XYZ Company		Nonprofit		Nonprofit		5 Test Drive
	Josiah Inc		12-0142015		For Profit		879 West Side Drive
	Axel Corporation		50-2521986		For Profit		1898 Fifth Avenue

1. Enter the Contributing Entity Legal Business Name.
2. Enter the Contributing Entity Federal Tax Identification Number.
3. Select the Contributing Entity Organization Type from the drop-down menu.
4. Enter the Contributing Entity Billing Address – Line 1.

Figure 5: Enter Contributing Entity Information, Steps 5-9

5	Billing Address Line 2 (Optional) (Maximum 150 characters)	6	Billing Address: City (Maximum 150 characters)	7	Billing Address: State (2-letter code)	8	Billing Address: ZIP Code (5- or 9-digit)	9	Domiciliary State (2-letter code)
			San Jose		CA		5101		CO
			Beverly Hills		CA				CO
			New Orleans		CT				CT
			New York		DE				DE
					DC				DC
					FL				FL
					GA				GA
					HI				HI
					ID				ID

5. Enter the Contributing Entity Billing Address – Line 2 (Optional).
6. Enter the Contributing Entity Billing Address City.
7. Select the Contributing Entity Billing Address State from the drop-down menu.
8. Enter the Contributing Entity Billing Address Zip Code plus 4.
9. Select the Contributing Entity Domiciliary State from the drop-down menu.

Figure 6: Enter Contributing Entity Information, Steps 10-12

Benefit Year (2014)	Annual Enrollment Count (nnn,nnn.nn)	Entity Type (HII, SI, SISA, MGHP, MGHPM, OTHER)
2014	250.00	SI
2014	150.25	HII
2014	124.00	SI
2014	126.48	SISA
		MGHP
		MGHPM
		OTHER

**Entity Title**

- HII - Health Insurance Issuer
- SI - Self-Insured
- SISA - Self-Insured Self-Administered
- MGHP - Multiple Group Health Plan (single plan treatment)
- MGHPM - Multiple Group Health Plan (multiple plan treatment)
- OTHER - Other Type

10. Select “2014” as the Benefit Year from the drop-down menu.
11. Enter the Annual Enrollment Count.



The Annual Enrollment Count must be rounded to the nearest hundredth.

12. Select the Type of Contributing Entity from the drop-down menu.



A call out box will appear when selecting your Contributing Entity’s Entity Type with an explanation of each Entity Type acronym.

For each Contributing Entity row entered into the Job Aid, the Record Status (Complete or Incomplete), the status of the TIN for the Contributing Entity (Unique or Duplicate), and Error/Warning Status (Error or Blank) will auto-populate based on the status of the Contributing Entity information you entered, as shown in Figure 7.

Figure 7: Pre-filled Record Status, TIN Status, and Error/Warning Status

Record Status (pre-filled)	Contrib Entity Unique TIN? (pre-filled)	Error/Warning Status (pre-filled)
Complete	Unique	

To enter data by copying and pasting information, select the first cell under Contributing Entity Legal Business Name and copy across the columns, as shown in Figure 8.

Figure 8: Copy and Paste Contributing Entity Information

Contributing Entity Legal Business Name (LBN) (Maximum 150 characters)	Federal Tax ID Number (TIN) (nn-nnnnnnn)	Organization Type (For Profit or Nonprofit)	Billing Address Line 1 (Maximum 150 characters)

### 3.3 Save Your Work & Check Your Data Entry Status

- Save your content in the Job Aid as an .xlsm file. You can close your file and come back to it later as needed.
- The Data Entry Status section on the Job Aid monitors by auto-calculating the total records entered, total completed records, sum of annual enrollment counts, and file size, as shown in Figure 9.

Figure 9: Data Entry Status

Data entry status:	
Records entered:	Total = 4, Complete = 4
Sum of annual enrollment (maximum 1,587,301.58):	650.73

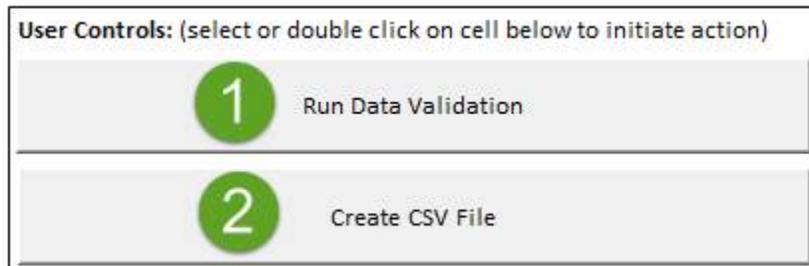


The **Sum of annual enrollment** in the Job Aid **must match** the Annual Enrollment Count entered on the Form.

### 3.4 Validate and Create the .CSV File

You have the option to run the Validation Check before creating the .CSV File, as shown in Figure 10. When copying and pasting data into the Job Aid, it is recommended that you turn automatic error checking off and run Data Validation after pasting the data but prior to creating the .CSV File.

Figure 10: Validate and Create the .CSV File



1. Under User Controls, select the Run Data Validation button.
  - A User Input box will verify that you either want to run data validation or not.
  - A dialogue box displays a summary of the errors, with the option to display the first field that has an invalid value or format or to close the dialogue box and begin manual correction.
2. Under User Controls, select the Create the .CSV File.
  - The workbook displays all relevant records that still contain an error.
  - An auto-format message displays all of the fields that were auto-formatted to meet requirements.
  - When saving the .CSV File on your computer there is no required naming convention, but it is encouraged that you use the following format: Insert ReportingEntityLBN\_BY2014\_Insert SubmissionDate. Using XYZ Company for example, the filing name convention would be XYZCompany\_BY2014\_11\_07\_2014.



All identified errors must be corrected before the Job Aid will create the .CSV File.

Saving the spreadsheet using the .CSV file extension will **not** create a .CSV file. You must select the "Create CSV File" button in the Job Aid to create the .CSV file.

See [Section 4: Troubleshooting, Errors, and Warnings](#) for a description of error and warning messages that will display if your data has an invalid value, is in an invalid format, or has a value that requires a user notification.

## 4 Troubleshooting, Errors, and Warnings

If you are having issues accessing and/or operating the Job Aid, there may be compatibility/requirements issues that you will need to troubleshoot.

Error and warning messages display when your data has an invalid value, is in an invalid format, or requires a user notification.

## 4.1 Compatibility/Requirements

In order to successfully use the Job Aid, you must have MS Excel 2007 or higher, and a Windows operating system.



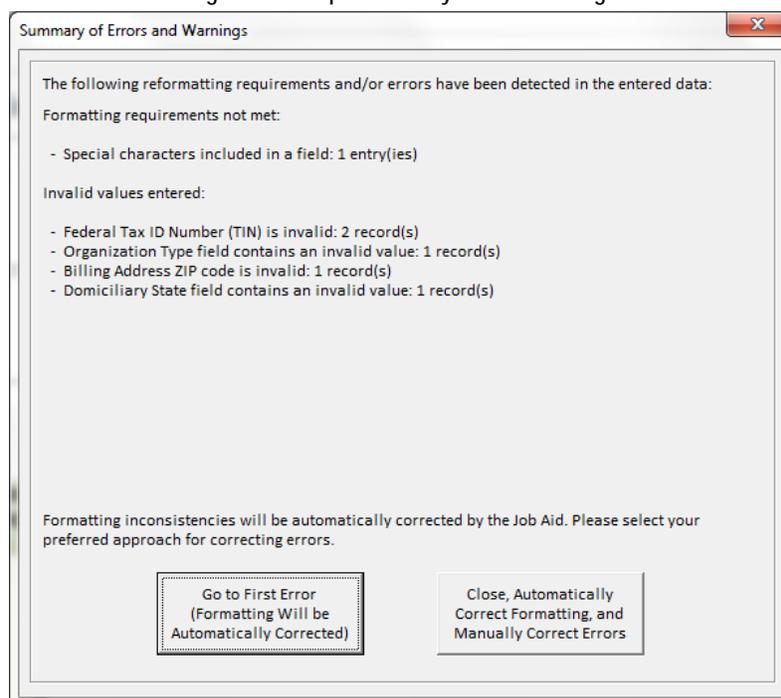
The Job Aid is not compatible with MAC operating systems.

## 4.2 Errors that Require Manual/Automatic Revision

Some errors trigger an error message and require a manual revision.

- A summary of errors displays when you run the Data Validation, as shown in Figure 11.

Figure 11: Sample Summary of Error Message



The following scenarios trigger an error that requires manual revision:

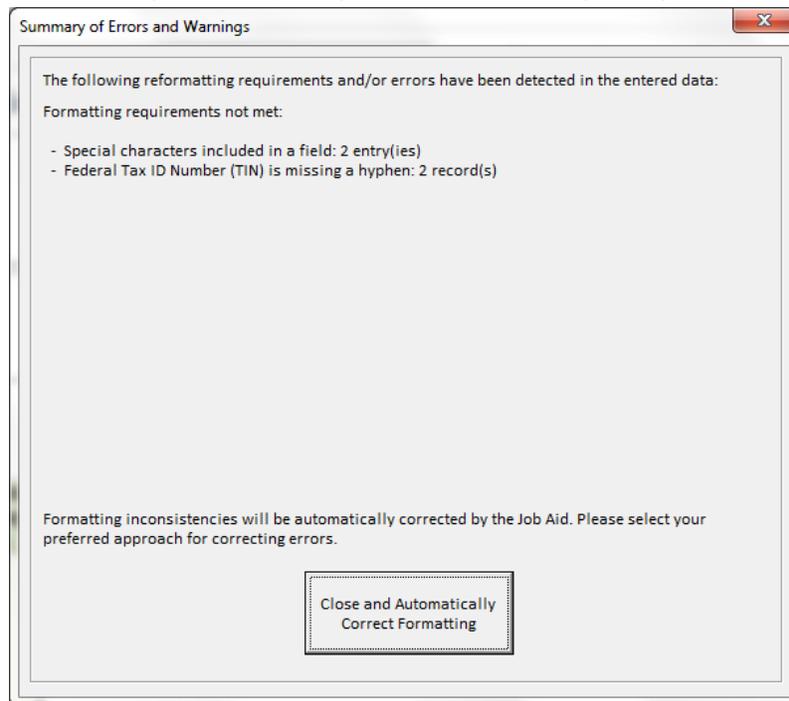
- The size of the workbook exceeds 2MB.

- The total value of the Annual Enrollment Count field exceeds 1,904,761.90 and the user has selected Two-Part Collection for Type of Payment.
- The total value of the Annual Enrollment Count field exceeds 1,587,301.58 and the user has selected Combined Collection for Type of Payment.
- A required field is blank in any row that has data.
- The Reporting Entity Legal Business Name and Federal Tax ID Number is not the same for every row of completed information.
- The Reporting Entity Legal Business Name, Contributing Entity Legal Business Name, Contributing Entity Billing Address (Line 1 and 2), and/or Contributing Entity Billing Address City exceed 150 characters.
- The Reporting Entity Federal Tax ID Number and/or Contributing Entity Tax ID Number has an unknown or non-conforming value, has an invalid leading character, has a hyphen in an incorrect position, and/or is less than nine numerical characters.
- The Contributing Entity Organization Type field has a value other than “For Profit” or “Non-Profit.”
- The Contributing Entity Billing Address and/or Domiciliary Address State Abbreviation (state postal code) field is not a valid two-letter state abbreviation.
- The Contributing Entity Billing Address Zip Code plus 4 is not five-digits or nine-digits.
- The Benefit Year field is not “2014.”
- The Annual Enrollment Count field is not a numeric value with two places beyond the decimal point.
- The Type of Contributing Entity field is not “HII,” “SI,” “SISA,” “MGHPS,” “MGHPM,” or “OTHER.” (For a full description of the Type of Contributing Entity field, please see the ACA Transitional Reinsurance Program Annual Enrollment and Contribution Submission Form Instructions available at REGTAP at <https://www.regtap.info>.)

The Job Aid automatically reformats some invalid values or formats. A warning message displays when the Job Aid has reformatted an invalid value or format.

- A summary of warnings displays when you run the Data Validation, as shown in Figure 12.

Figure 12: Sample Single Automatic Reformatting Message



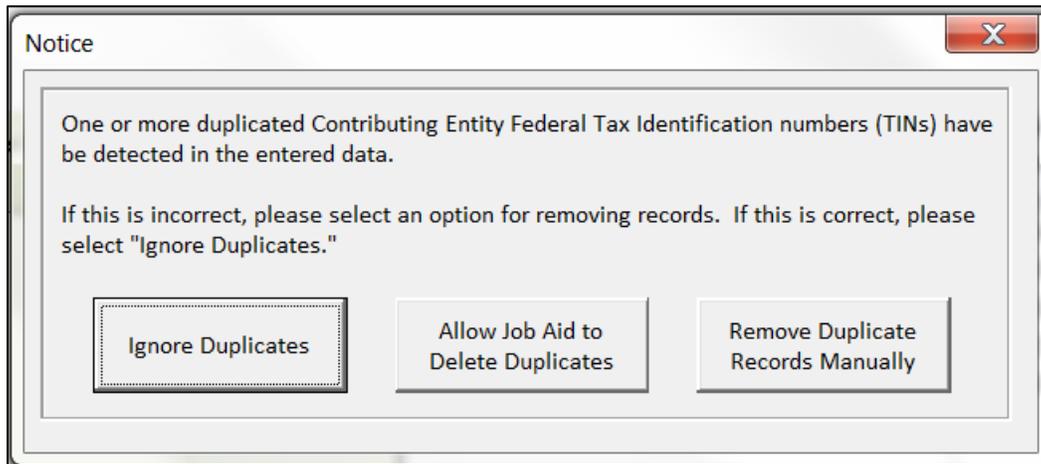
The following invalid values or formats are automatically reformatted:

- Special characters will be automatically removed.
- A nine-digit TIN without a hyphen will have the hyphen automatically inserted.
- A nine-digit ZIP code without a hyphen will have the hyphen automatically inserted.
- A full State name will be automatically converted to the valid two-letter abbreviation.

### 4.3 Data Issues that Require User Notification

Some data issues trigger a user notification to ensure that the user is entering the correct information and/or to notify the user of the status of the Job Aid. This type of warning does not require revision before the user creates the .CSV file. Figure 13 depicts a sample user notification warning message.

Figure 13: Sample User Notification Warning Message



Scenarios that trigger a user notification include:

- The sum of annual enrollment count is over 75% of the maximum allowed, as determined by Type of Payment selected.
- The user enters the same Contributing Entity Federal Tax ID Number in multiple rows.

#### 4.4 What to Check before Uploading the .CSV File

- Be sure that there are no special characters in the file name of the .CSV File or else it will be rejected.
- If any of the Contributing Entity's Zip Codes entered in the Job Aid have a leading zero, be sure that you do not open the .CSV File in Excel to make edits. The .CSV File should only be opened using NotePad or WordPad.