# New Jersey DDD -DCI Systems Training for Vendors

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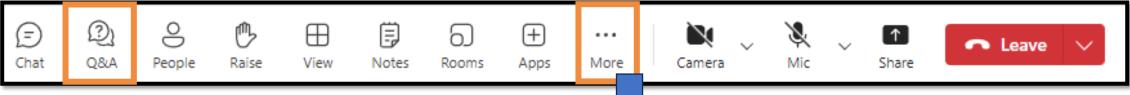


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  or Raise hand features
- Click the Q&A button to type & send your question during the meeting

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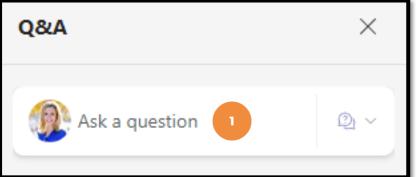
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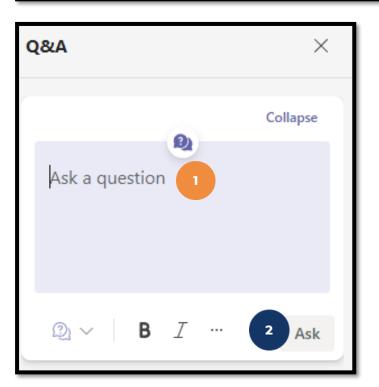
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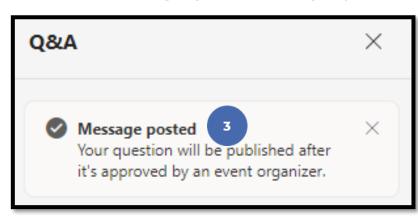




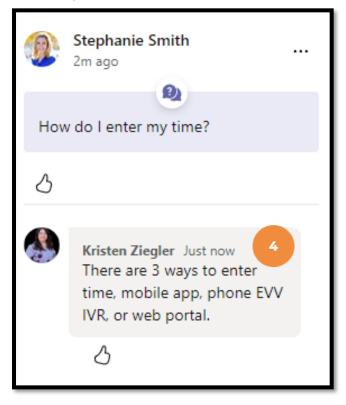




- After clicking the Q&A button, type your question in the Ask a question field
  - Please do not include any confidential information or the question cannot be published & answered
- 2. Click the Ask button
- 3. Message posted displays



4. Moderators review, approve & post your question.



### Agenda



### Who are Acumen and DCI



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# Why Are You Here?

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As you may know, the Division of Developmental Disabilities (**DDD**) Vendor Fiscal/Employer Agent Model is transitioning Fiscal Intermediary (**FI**) services from Public Partnerships, LLC (**PPL**) to Acumen Fiscal Agent (**Acumen**), this transition started in *early June*. Acumen will help manage both Community Vendor Services and Self-Directed Employee (**SDE**) Services in this model.

Transition enrollments with Acumen will happen at staggered intervals over the summer of 2025, with groups of participants called **cohorts** assigned to enroll within a specific window of time. Using this approach will help ensure a smooth and organized transition for everyone.

In this training, We will review the specific details to our training sessions for the **New Jersey DDD program**. We will also review the process flow, so you have a good comprehension of what comes next.

# **Training Sessions**



#### **Enrollment**

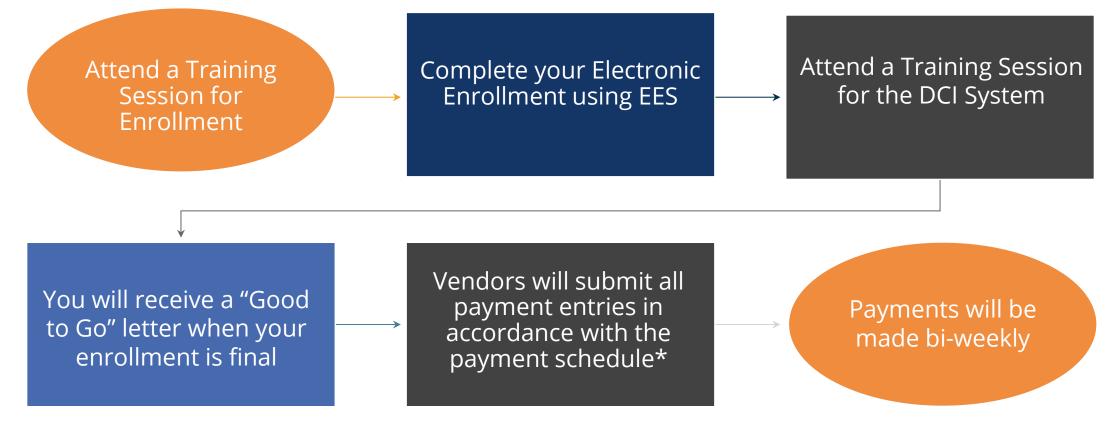
In Enrollment training, you'll learn how to create an account in Acumen's electronic enrollment system, complete all required enrollment information, and electronically sign enrollment packets. The session will include a live demonstration, and you'll have the chance to ask questions along the way. By the end of the training, you'll feel confident navigating the system and completing the enrollment process smoothly. **Note**: Individuals/Authorized Representatives complete the Enrollment.

### **DCI System**

In DCI System training, you'll learn how to navigate the DCI system using both the web and mobile versions to complete the essential tasks required for your role. These sessions will include a live demonstration, and you'll have the opportunity to ask questions in real time. By the end of the training, you'll be comfortable using DCI to manage your responsibilities efficiently.

### **Overview of NJ DDD Enrollment Process**





Note: \*Submit and approve vendor payment entry requests by 9pm EST of the due date, even if it falls on a weekend or holiday. Those received after 9pm EST of the due date will be processed in the following payment period.



## Acumen & DCI

# Who is Acumen?





- One of the largest, most experienced fiscal management entities in the U.S.
- Servicing multiple states across the country
- Over 30 years of experience
- Customized approach for your needs

# What is DCI?



DCI is the electronic invoicing system that allows community vendors to securely submit documentation for payment approval by the individual or their authorized representative.

#### **Web Browsers**

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- ✓ Google Chrome (DCI Preferred)
- ✓ Firefox
- ✓ Edge
- √ Safari





# **DCI Web Portal**

Accessed on a laptop or desktop computer

## **Accessing the DCI Web Portal**



- Open an internet browser on a computer (Google Chrome is preferred) and navigate to the <u>DCI Web Portal</u>
- 2. Enter the **Vendor username**
- 3. Enter the Vendor password
  - Credentials provided by Acumen on your Good to Go Letter
- Utilize the "Forgot your password?" link if needed
- 5. Click the blue **Sign In** button

\*Please note: Contact Acumen with login issues

acumen.dcisoftware.com



# Initial Log In

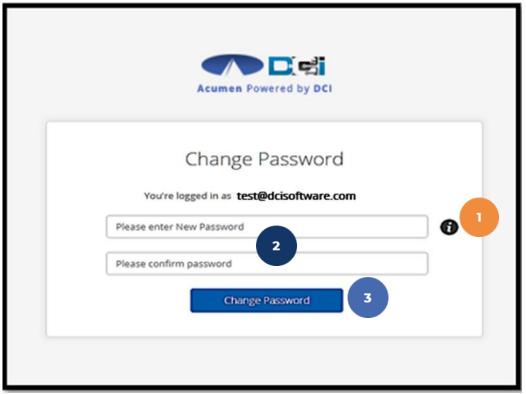
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\*Please note: You must verify via the link in your email to login in for the first time

When logging in for the first time, you will be asked to change your password.

- 1. Hover over the circular "i" icon on the right to see the password requirements
- 2. Enter the same password in both password fields
- 3. Click the blue **Change Password** button

\*Please note: After changing the password, an email will be sent to you stating that you have changed your password.



Password Criteria

1.Must be at least 10 characters.

2.Must contain 1 uppercase letters, lowercase letters, numbers and special characters

3.Must not contain more than two repeated characters in a row.

4.The password should be different from the 3 previous passwords.

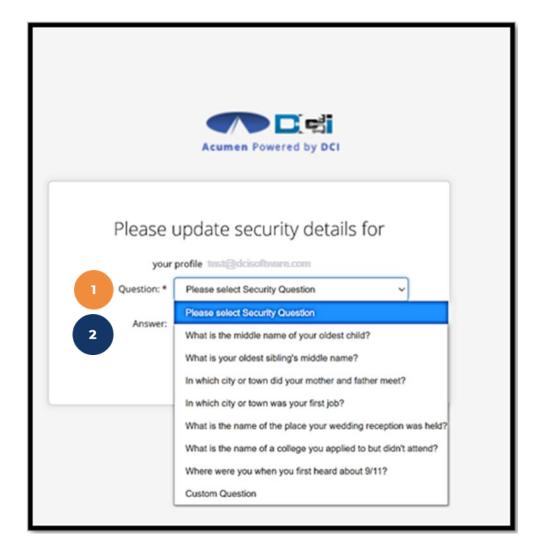
# **Security Question**



To keep your profile safe, you will need to choose a security question the first time you log in.

- 1. Select a question from the drop-down menu
- The answer must be at least five characters which cannot be repeated in a row

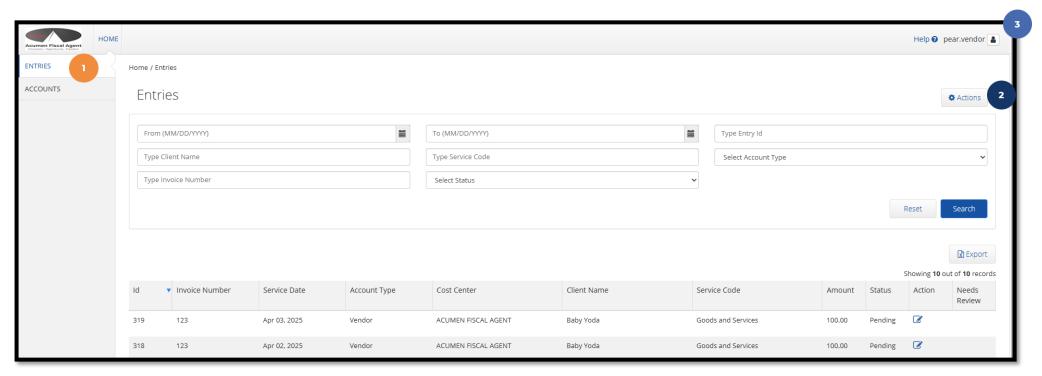
\*Please note: Remember the answer to the security question you chose, to reset your password in the future.



### **Home Tab Details**



- 1. Select the **Entries** tab to view a complete list of submitted time entries
- 2. Click Actions, then Add New Vendor Payment Entry to enter a new entry
- 3. Select your username in the top right corner to find Profile Settings



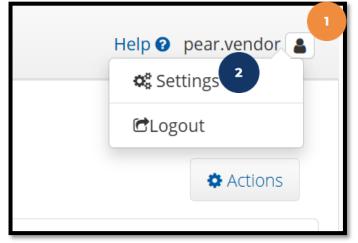
The **Entries Page** is the landing page

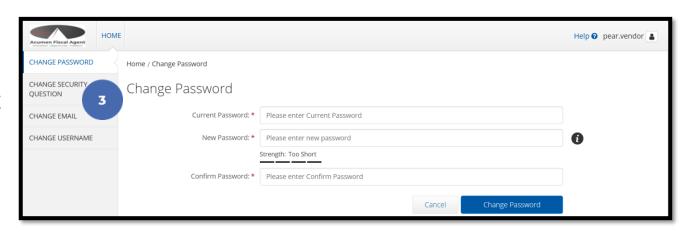
### **Profile Settings**

- Click the username in the top right corner of the main menu
- 2. Click **Settings**
- 3. Select a submenu tab to update:
  - Change Password Used for login
  - Change Security Question
  - Change Email A valid and correct email address is required for password recovery
  - Change Username Used for login

## \*Please note! Profile settings are only available on the full site





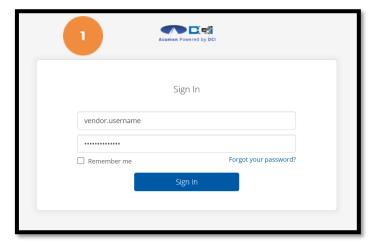




## Adding a New Vendor Payment Entry

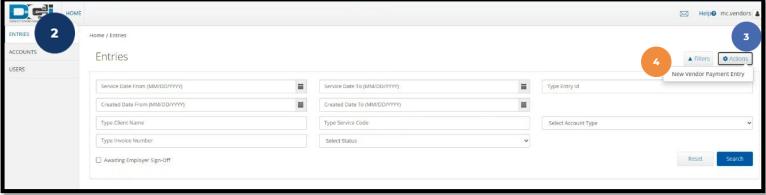


1. Navigate to <u>acumen.dcisoftware.com</u> and log into the **Vendor Profile** 



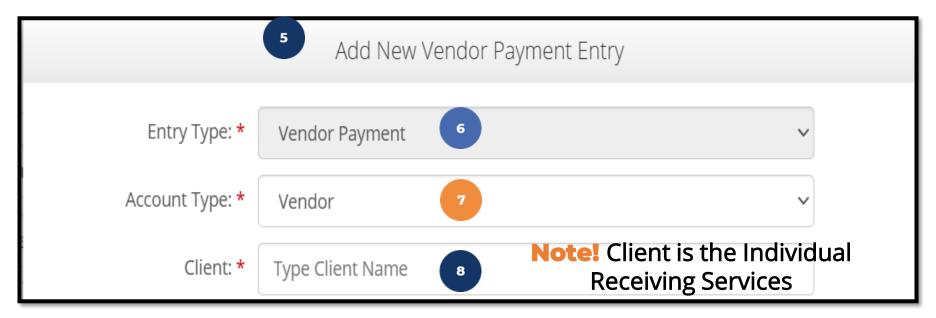
Important! It has been communicated to the Authorized Representatives that they must sign off on the vendor payment entries by the timesheet submission date to avoid disruption in payments to you.

- 2. Select **Entries** on the submenu
- 3. Select **Actions**
- 4. Select **"Add New Vendor Payment Entry"** from the drop-down list





- 5. Complete the Add New Vendor Payment Entry form wizard
- 6. Entry Type (required): Vendor Payment
- 7. Account Type (required): Vendor
- 8. Client (required): Type the client's name and select it from the drop-down



### **Note About Your Client!**



### Only Clients who:

- Have an active service account with you listed as the vendor
- Have an SDR on file
- Have completed the enrollment process

### will appear from the Client dropdown list

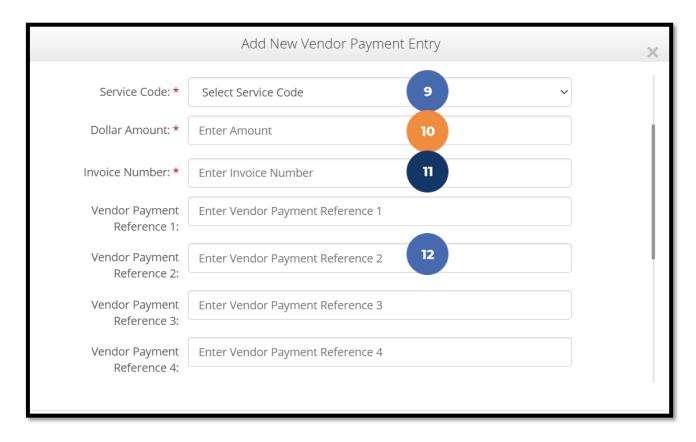


If you do not see your client's name appear in the drop down (they do not meet the above criteria), please reach out to <a href="mailto:vendor-nj@acumen2.net">vendor-nj@acumen2.net</a>



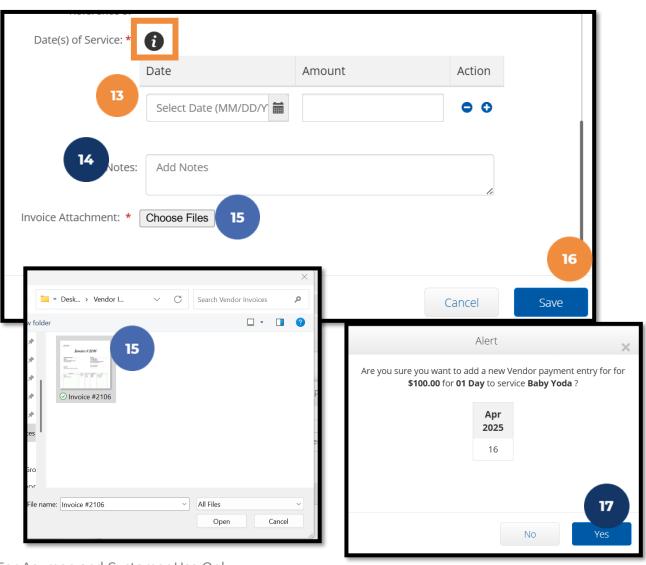
- 9. Service code (**required**): Select from the drop-down
- 10. Dollar Amount (**required**): Enter the total amount for the documentation for all dates of service
- 11. Invoice Number (**required**): Enter the documentation number 12. Vendor Payment Reference Fields 1-5 (*optional*): Optionally add any additional information

regarding the vendor payment





- 13. Date(s) of Service (required): This may be one date or multiple dates. Enter the date and the amount for that date then click the blue plus sign (+) to add more as needed.
- Please note: The sum of the dates of service must match the dollar amount entered in the Dollar Amount field
- 14. Notes (optional)
- 15. Invoice Attachment (required): Click the Choose Files button to select and upload the documentation. Attachment must be in PDF, JPG, or PNG format.
- 16. Click Save
- 17. Click **Yes** to confirm *The entry is now submitted!*



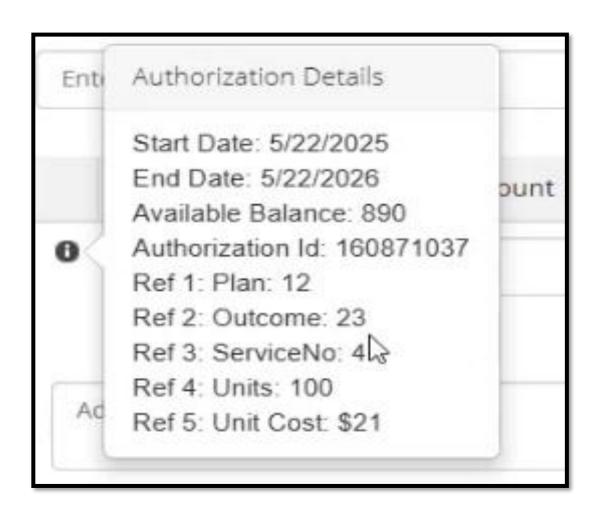
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Hover over the "i" icon to see the authorization details!

Outcome Number and Service Number are related to the specific service code!

Refer to the SDR for the details on which service code to use!



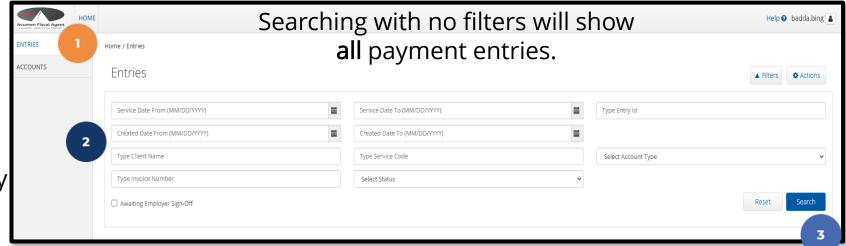


# Viewing Vendor Payment Entries

### **View Vendor Payment Entries**



- From the Home tab, select Entries on the submenu
- Add any search filters to search for a specific entry (Ex: Client Name, Service Dates, Entry Id)
- 3. Click the blue **Search** button
- 4. Results will show at the bottom





## **View Vendor Payment Entries**



- 5. Find the entry by ID, Invoice Number or Service Date
- 6. The **status** column will show what status the entry is in.
- If your entry states **Rejected**, reach out to **your Individual or Authorized Representative** to confirm approval.

If issues persist, contact Acumen at <a href="mailto:vendor-nj@acumen2.net">vendor-nj@acumen2.net</a>

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Id	•	Invoice Number	Service Date	Account Type	Cost Center	Client Name	Service Code	Amount	Status	Action	Needs Review
24	2	4	Feb 18, 2025	Vendor	ACUMEN FISCAL AGENT	String Cheese	Goods and Services	100.00	Approved		
24	1	4	Jan 13, 2025	Vendor	ACUMEN FISCAL AGENT	String Cheese	Goods and Services	100.00	Rejected		
240	)	4	Mar 02, 2025	Vendor	ACUMEN FISCAL AGENT	String Cheese	Goods and Services	100.00	Approved		
239	9	4	Mar 05, 2025	Vendor	ACUMEN FISCAL AGENT	String Cheese	Goods and Services	100.00	Approved		
238	3	4	Jan 13, 2025	Vendor	ACUMEN FISCAL AGENT	String Cheese	Goods and Services	300.00	Canceled		
23	7	3	Mar 12, 2025	Vendor	ACUMEN FISCAL AGENT	MICKEY MOUSE	Goods and Services	300.00	Approved		

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### **Multiple Dates of Service Entries**



If more than one Date of Service was entered for the vendor payment, an entry is created for each and the entry for the total amount is **canceled**. The new separated entries will immediately be in a "unvalidated" status. The system will move these out of "unvalidated" and into "pending" or "rejected" every 15-20 minutes. It is validating no business rules were violated.

Entri	es									
Id	▼ Service Date	Start Time	End Time	Account Type	Ref.	Cost Center	Client Name	Service Code	Amount	Status
75689	Jul 29. 2024			Vendor		Steph Cost Center test -	Steph Client1	Steph Vendor 2	16.00	Pending
75316	Jul 20. 2024			Vendor	75314	Steph Cost Center test - Steph Cost Center test	Steph Client1	Steph Vendor 2	25.00	Pending
75315	jul 21, 2024			Vendor	<u>75314</u>	Steph Cost Center test -	Steph Client1	Steph Vendor 2	5:00	Pending
<u>75314</u>	Jul 20, 2024			Vendor		Steph Cost Center test -	Steph Client1	Steph Vendor 2	30.00	Canceled

If only **one** Date of Service was entered for the vendor payment, only one entry is created in a "unvalidated" status. The system will move these out of "unvalidated" and into "pending" or "rejected"



# Multiple Dates on One Entry – PLEASE NOTE





Please be aware, if multiple dates of service are included in one payment entry, they *may* fall into **different** pay periods. Even if the dates are submitted as one entry, the dates of service will determine the pay date.

Please refer to the payroll schedule to know when to expect payment.



## **Vendor Payment Entry – Statuses**

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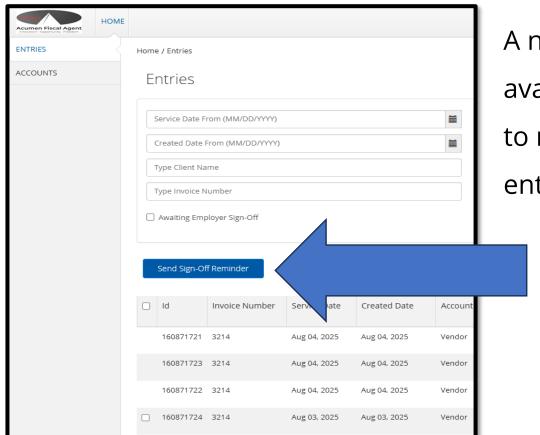


Unvalidated	The vendor payment entry has been verified and is awaiting further system processing. This happens automatically at the top and bottom of every hour (i.e., 1pm and 1:30pm).				
Pending – Needs Review (Sign-Off)	The vendor payment entry requires review and sign off by the Authorized Representative/Employer of the Client before it can move forward for approval.				
Pending	The vendor payment entry is pending the system auto-approval.				
Rejected	The vendor payment entry has been rejected, either automatically or manually by the Authorized Representative/Employer of the Client.				
Approved	The vendor payment entry has been approved and is ready to be processed.				
Batched	The vendor payment entry has been included in a portal batch.				
Processed	The vendor payment entry has been processed in a portal batch and is included on a Raw Dump.				
Paid	The vendor payment entry has been reconciled.				
Canceled	The vendor payment entry included multiple dates of service. Those specific dates will appear on their own individual entry lines. Please note: Refer to the payment schedule to confirm the payment date for each date of service, as they may not be the same for each entry.				

### **Send Sign-Off Reminder!**



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A new *Send Sign-Off Reminder* button is now available on the Entries page allowing vendors to remind Employers/Auth Reps to sign-off on entries in a pending status!



Send Sign-Off Reminder

1 reminder notification sent

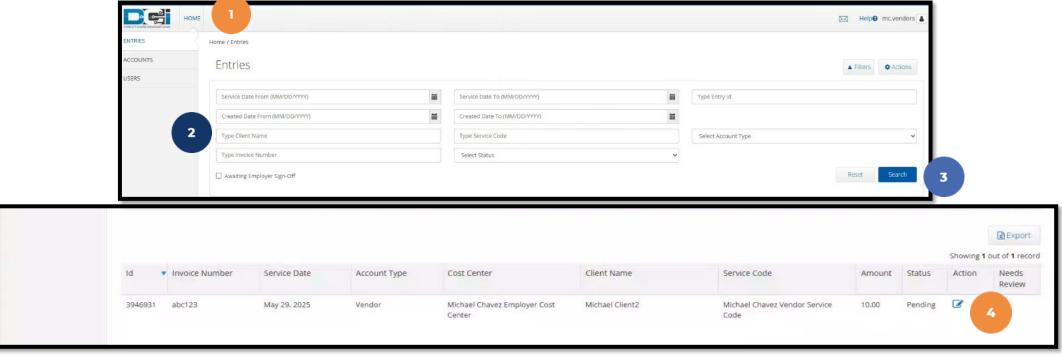


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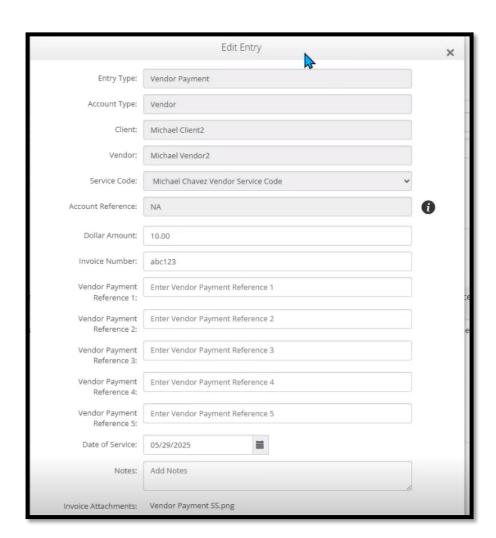
- 1. From the Home tab, select Entries on the submenu
- 2. Add any search filters to search for a specific entry (Ex: Client Name, Service Dates, Entry Id)
- 3. Click the blue **Search** button. Results will appear.
- 4. Find the vendor entry you need to edit and select the pencil icon



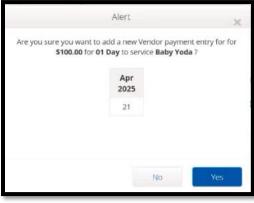
## **Edit Vendor Payment Entries**



- 5. Make any edits needed on the entry
- 6. Select Save.
- 7. Select **Yes** on the Alert
- 8. Entry will go into unvalidated status, then Pending (usual workflow)









# **Direct Deposit (EFT) Form**

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Fnsure this Direct Deposit (EFT) form has been returned to the Acumen Support Team at Vendor-NJ@acumen2.net to ensure efficient payments. This was found in your enrollment paperwork.





# **Vendor Frequently Asked Questions**

# Vendor FAQ's



#### What is DCI and why do I need to use it?

DCI is an electronic invoicing system that allows community vendors to securely submit Supporting Documentations for payment approval by the individual, employer or their authorized representative.

#### How do I submit an documentation?

Log into the DCI Web Portal, create a new Vendor Payment Entry, select the participant and service, attach your documentation and receipts, and submit it for approval.

#### What happens if I submit documentation before my start date?

Documentation submitted before your designated start date will not be processed. Only submit documentations dated on or after your official start date.

#### Who needs to approve my invoices?

The individual, employer or authorized representative must approve your submitted invoice in DCI before Acumen can process payment.

#### Can I submit invoices through the mobile app?

No. Documentations submitted by Vendors will be submitted via the DCI portal.

# Vendor FAQ's



#### How can I ensure I get paid on time?

Submit your Vendor Payment Entry with complete documentation by the deadline listed on the NJ DDD Payment Schedule. Incomplete or late submissions will be delayed until the next cycle.

#### Where do I find the EFT form for direct deposit?

Download the Electronic Funds Transfer form from the Acumen website or request it from customer service. Submitting this will allow faster, direct deposits.

#### What should I do if my invoice was rejected, or payment is delayed?

Check with the individual/authorized representative to confirm approval. If issues persist, contact Acumen's Vendor Payroll Team at <a href="mailto:vendor-nj@acumen2.net">vendor-nj@acumen2.net</a>.

#### How do I access training on how to use DCI?

Training materials are available on the DCI Web Portal under the **Help** section. Acumen will also invite you to virtual training sessions.

#### What if I have multiple participants that I support?

When the participant has completed their transition documents, has a plan revision and receives their Good to Go letter then the participant will appear on the community vendors dropdown to select and submit an invoice for them. All participants with active authorizations with the community vendor will show up on the list.

# Vendor FAQ's



### Would unused accrued units from the original PPL service automatically transfer to Acumen due to the transition?

No. For participants whose plans were revised due to the transition, the unused accrued units from the original PPL service line do not automatically transfer to the new Acumen service line.

#### How can I request to rollover units that should be restored?

Please submit a request to the individual's Support Coordinator. The support Coordinator will then follow the formal process to request restoration.

#### Where can my Support Coordinator find the request form and instructions?

The request form and instructions are available on the Division's Fiscal Intermediary Transition website under the section titled "Restoration of Rollover Units Request."

<u>Division of Developmental Disabilities | 2025 Fiscal Intermediary Transition (PPL to Acumen)</u>

If you have questions or need further assistance, please contact our Client Services Agents by emailing us at **vendor-nj@acumen2.net** or by phone at **848-400-5738**.



# Resources

### **Vendor Payment Schedule**



- Ensure payment entries are received by the Due Date (even if it falls on a weekend or holiday)
- Requests submitted after the Due Date will be handled in the following pay period
- First paycheck from Acumen will be Thursday, July 3, 2025.
- Pay day is every other Friday
- Vendor payments must be <u>entered and</u> <u>approved</u> within <u>60 days of the date of</u> <u>service</u>
- Use the payment schedule to know when each date of service will be paid out!



#### Pay Schedule

NJ DDD Vendor Fiscal/Employer Agent (VF/EA) Self-Directed Services Model

Employees/Vendors: Submit all time entries and reimbursement requests by 9 p.m. EST on Submissions Due Date. Submissions received after 9 p.m. EST on the due date will be processed in the next pay period.

Employers/Authorized Representatives: <u>Log in to DCI</u>. Review employee time entries and vendor reimbursemer requests for accuracy, then sign-off/approve by 9 p.m. EST on Approval Due Date.

Contact your Acumen Agent at (848) 400-5903 or enrollment-ni@acumen2.net if you have any questions or concerns

Month	Payroll Start	Payroll End	Submissions Due Date	Approval Due Date	Pay Date
	06/08/25	06/21/25	Mon, 06/23/25	Wed, 06/25/25	Thu, 07/03/25
JUN	06/22/25	07/05/25	Mon, 07/07/25	Wed, 07/09/25	Thu, 07/17/25
	07/06/25	07/19/25	Mon, 07/21/25	Wed, 07/21/25	Fri, 08/01/25
JUL	07/20/25	08/02/25	Mon, 08/04/25	Wed, 08/04/25	Fri, 08/15/25
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AUG	08/31/25	09/13/25	Mon, 09/15/25	Wed, 09/17/25	Fri, 09/26/25
SEPT	09/14/25	09/27/25	Mon, 09/29/25	Wed, 10/01/25	Fri, 10/10/25
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OCT	10/26/25	11/08/25	Mon, 11/10/25	Wed, 11/12/25	Fri, 11/21/25
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MAK	03/29/26	04/11/26	Mon, 04/13/26	Wed, 04/15/26	Fri, 04/24/26
APR	04/12/26	04/25/26	Mon, 04/27/26	Wed, 04/29/26	Fri, 05/08/26
APK	04/26/26	05/09/26	Mon, 05/11/26	Wed, 05/13/26	Fri, 05/22/26
NAAW.	05/10/26	05/23/26	Mon, 05/25/26	Wed, 05/27/26	Fri, 06/05/26
MAY	05/24/26	06/06/26	Mon, 06/08/26	Wed, 06/10/26	Fri, 06/15/26
	06/07/26	06/20/26	Mon, 06/22/26	Wed, 06/24/26	Thu, 06/18/2
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### **Vendor Submission Grace Period**





During transition, the vendor invoice submission and vendor entry sign-off grace period is **90 days only**.

Starting on September 28th, 2025, it will change to <u>60</u> <u>days.</u>

## **Helpful Resources**

### **Utilize our Websites**

- New Jersey Training Materials for more help
  - This will give you a full list of Training Materials for DCI
    - New Jersey State Page
- This will give you New Jersey specific details with Acumen Fiscal Agent

### **Contact the Acumen Support Team**

For help with enrollment questions, DCI system questions, or payment issues



Email us at <a href="mailto:vendor-nj@acumen2.net">vendor-nj@acumen2.net</a>

**By Phone:** (833) 892-0413









### THANK YOU!

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