

Drilling Down on Digital Dental Payments

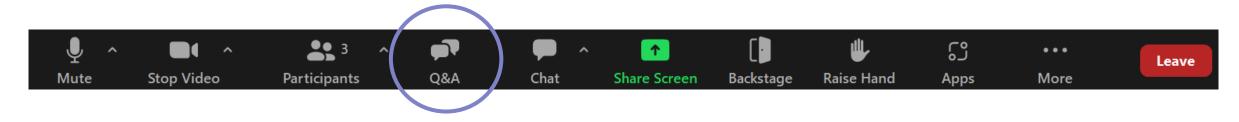
Get Paid Faster and Save Money, with CORE and Lassie

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- Electronic Payment Introduction
- CORE EFT/ERA Operating Rules
- Lassie: Streamlining Electronic Payments
- Questions
- Call to Action



Today's Speakers



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Electronic Payment Introduction

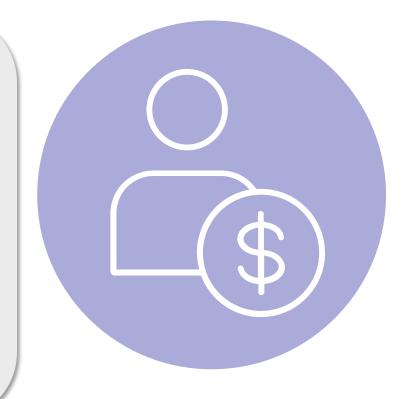
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Electronic Payments Overview

Definitions

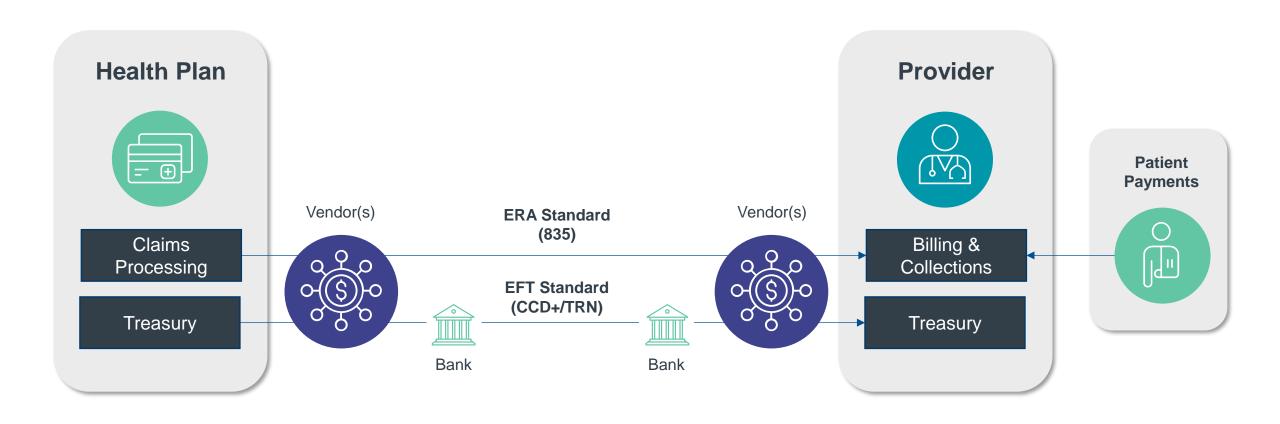
- Electronic funds transfer (EFT): an electronic payment from a health plan to a provider.
- Electronic remittance advice (ERA): an electronic version of a payment explanation submitted by a health plan to a provider that explains the payment a provider receives for a service claim.
- Automated Clearing House (ACH) Network: the payment system that drives Direct Deposits and Direct Payments with the capability to reach all U.S. bank and credit union accounts.

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Electronic Payments Workflow







CORE EFT/ERA Operating Rules

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CORE: Who We Are

Committee on Operating Rules for Information Exchange

FEDERALLY
DESIGNATED BY HHS*

REDUCING BURDEN

ENSURING REPRESENTATION

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CORE Operating
Rules Mandated
Under HIPAA

CORE is a **trusted and independent operating rule author**. In addition to mandated operating rules, CORE offers operating rule sets for voluntary adoption.

*Department of Health and Human Services

\$18.3B

Cost savings opportunity by switching to fully automated transactions

The 2023 CAQH Index® estimated that 22% of money spent on administrative transactions could be saved by fulling transitioning to electronic transactions. **CORE Operating Rules help facilitate and streamline electronic adoption.**

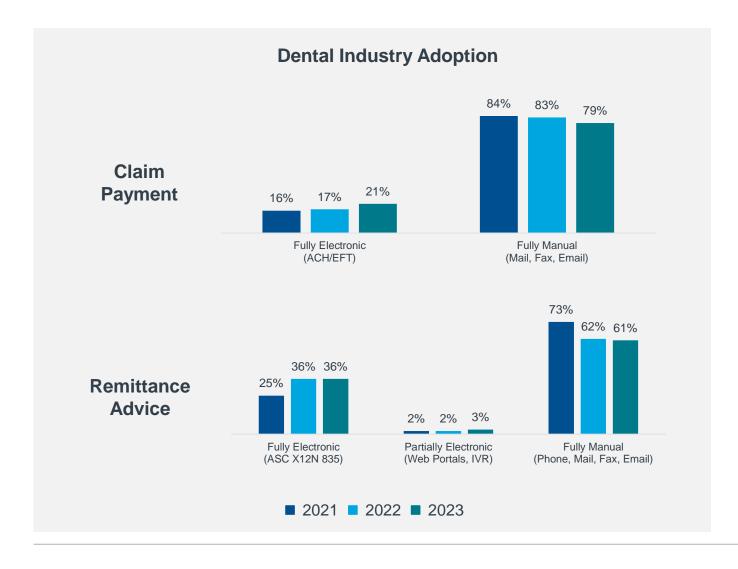
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Multistakeholder
Participating
Organizations

From small provider organizations, to national health plans, CORE has the unique ability to bring diverse industry stakeholders to the table to tackle complex administrative problems together.



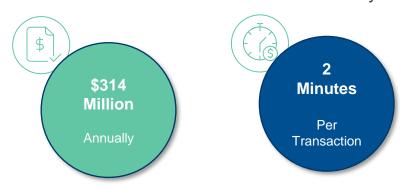
EFT/ERA Electronic Adoption & Cost Savings Opportunities 2023 CAQH Index



Switching to fully **electronic claim payment** transactions can save the dental industry:



Switching to fully **electronic remittance** transactions can save the dental industry:





CORE Payment & Remittance Operating Rules



CORE Payment & Remittance Operating Rules are federally mandated, except for rule requirements pertaining to Acknowledgements.

Infrastructure

- Health Care Claim Payment/Advice (835) Infrastructure Rule
- EFT/ERA Reassociation (CCD+/835)
 Rule

Data Content

- Uniform Use of CARCs & RARCs (835)
 Rule
- EFT Enrollment Data Rule
- ERA Enrollment Data Rule



CORE EFT & ERA Enrollment Data Rules

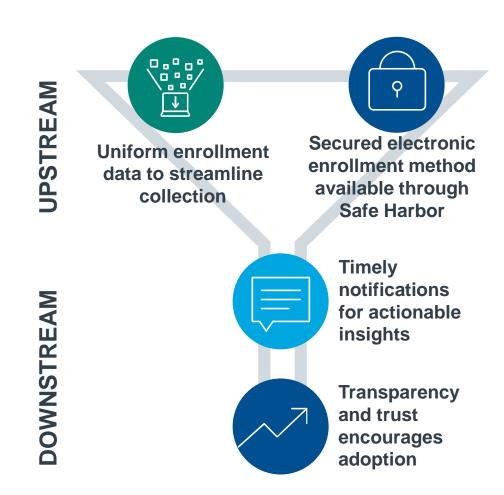
Updated Rule Requirements

Data Set Enhancements:

• Externalization of enrollment data sets for flexibility and alignment with current and emerging business needs.

Updated Rule Requirements:

- Support for bulk enrollment.
- Addition of fraud detection measures to safeguard enrollment data.
- Establishes notification and timeframe requirements.
- Requires disclosure of applicable EFT fees.
- Provision of opt-in/out instructions for alternative payments.





EFT/ERA Operating Rules

Industry Value

- √ Improves cash flow.
- ✓ Eliminates the need for manual re-keying of reconciliations of EFTs and ERAs.
- ✓ Increases ability to conduct targeted payment issue follow-ups.
- ✓ **Standardizes** enrollment for EFT/ERA.
- ✓ **Automates** re-association of EFT and ERA.
- ✓ Streamline the enrollment process for healthcare providers switching to electronic payments, ensuring a consistent and efficient experience across different health plans.
- ✓ **Increases transparency and** keeps providers informed every step of the way during the enrollment process.

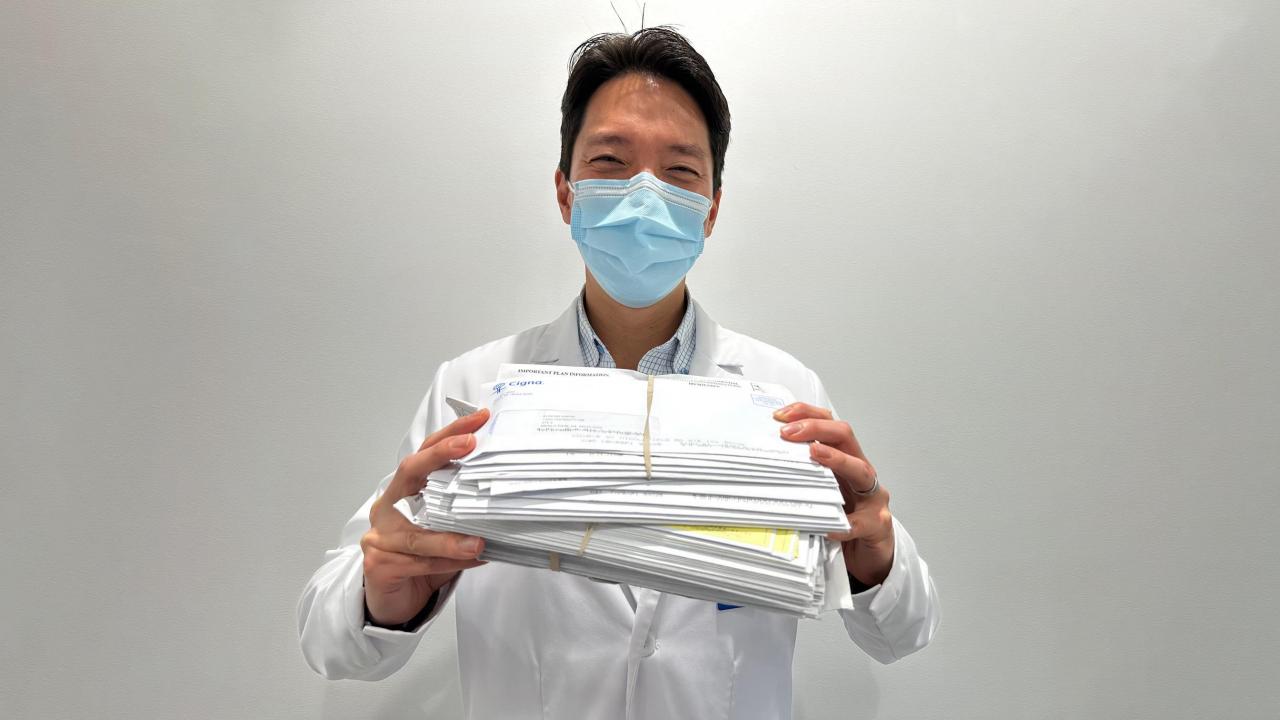




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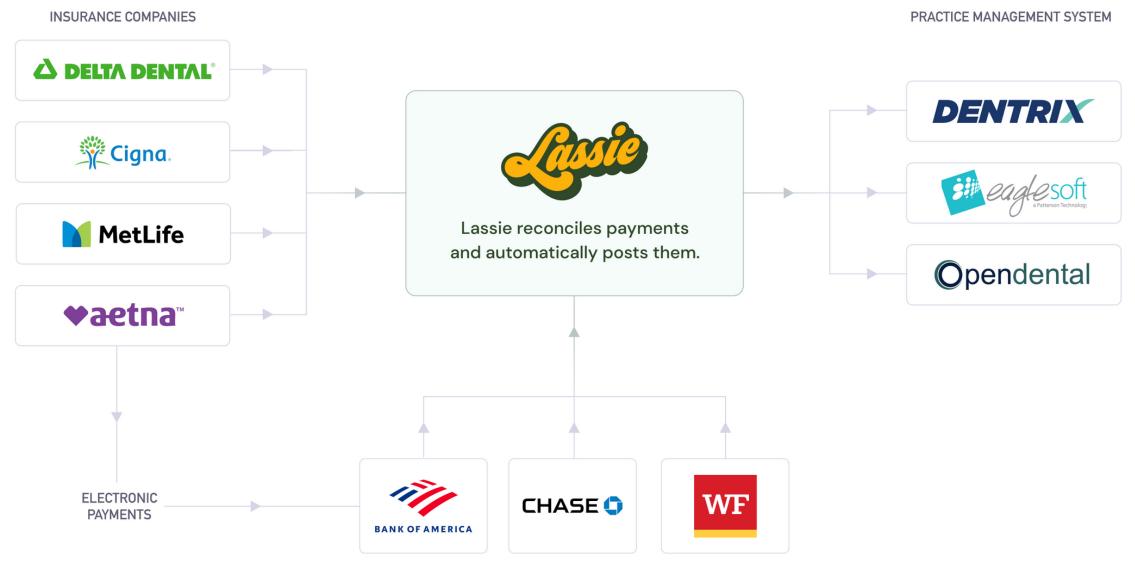
of dental insurance payments are fully manual

Source: 2023 CAQH Index Report





EFTs & ERAs automatically processed



BANK ACCOUNTS

First step: set up EFTs + ERAs



































Posted on Jan 1, 2022 - Jul 7, 2023

Today

This Week

Last Month

Filter by payer

Filter by check number

Payment Number Payment Date **Bank Transaction** Insurance **Date Posted** Payment Amount



Inbox • 3

File Secondary • 2

Refile Claim • 1

Done

Action Required	Patient Name	Date of Service	Claim Number	Payment
File secondary insurance claim	Miss Beatrice O'Kon	Jun 5, 2023	38054806	\$172.75
File secondary insurance claim	Chelsea Reichel	Jun 18, 2023	56143236	\$525.20
Refile claim, include additional information	Victor Reynolds	Jun 28, 2023	13427956	\$0.00

"I have ~80 hours a month freed up to spend with patients"

"Revenue cycle more reliable, and accurate"

"I get paid 4x faster"



Dr. Eric Kwon, Menlo Park, CA

The Future of the Dental Office

Admin tasks take ~2 hours a month instead of ~200 hours.

- Eliminating paper payments will reduce errors, prevent embezzlement, and speed up cash flow.
- More providers will be their own bosses and spend time with more patients.

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4. Do I need to give my team access to my bank account now that I'm using EFTs?





Questions



Call to Action

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We'd love to meet you!

- Providers -- if you want help with the transition to EFTs and ERAs, reach out at golassie.com/signup
- Payors, consultants, and vendors -- if you're interested in working together or learning more, reach out to steijn@golassie.com



Become a CORE Participant: *E-mail* <u>CORE@CAQH.ORG</u>

 CORE Participants can join our Code Combinations Task Group to contribute to reviews and adjustments of the CORE Code Combinations as part of its ongoing CAQH CORE Code Combinations Maintenance Process required by the CAQH CORE Payment & Remittance Uniform Use of CARCs and RARCs (835) Rule

2024 Market Based Review (MBR)

Week of August 26th: The MBR gives **any organization** that uses or transmits the CORE Code Combinations the opportunity to request additions, relocations, or removals of code combinations





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