

Remittance Viewer User Guide

Remittance Viewer offers providers and billing services the ability to search, view, sort, save and print payment and remittance information. This tool is available to registered Availity® Essentials users that are currently enrolled to receive the Electronic Remittance Advice (835 ERA) from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois (BCBSIL).

If you are not enrolled for ERA delivery from BCBSIL, refer to the [Electronic Funds Transfer \(EFT\) & Electronic Remittance Advice \(ERA\) Enrollment User Guide](#) for instructions.

Not registered with Availity Essentials?

Complete the online guided registration process via [Availity](#), at no cost.

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The following instructions show how users' access **Remittance Viewer** via **Availity Essentials** and how **Availity Administrators** and/or users will add providers information to your organization's account.

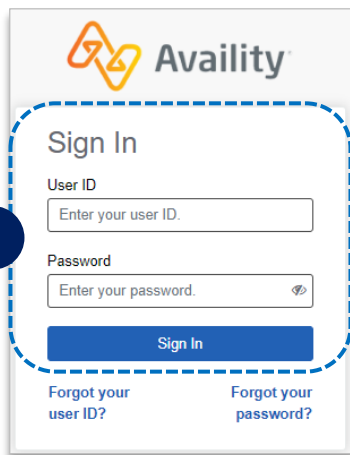




1 Assigned users can access this tool by following the instructions below:

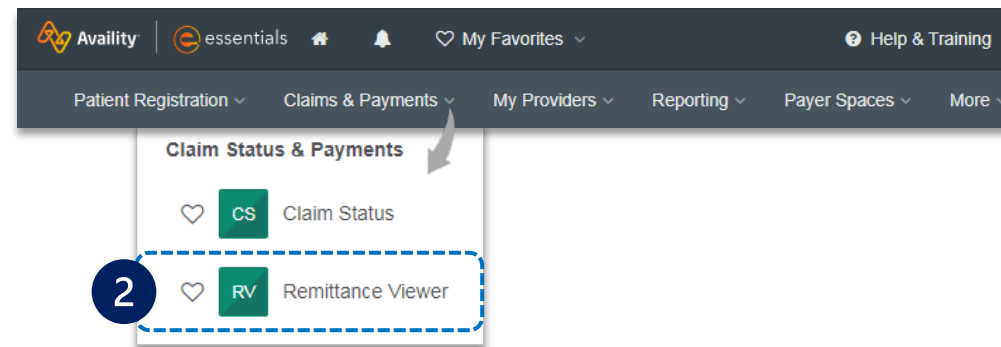
- ▶ Go to [Availity](#)
- ▶ Select [Availity Essentials Login](#)
- ▶ Enter User ID and Password
- ▶ Select [Log in](#)

Note: Only registered Availity users can access and use [Remittance Viewer](#).



The image shows the Availity Sign In page. A blue dashed box highlights the 'Sign In' section, which includes a 'User ID' field with the placeholder 'Enter your user ID.', a 'Password' field with the placeholder 'Enter your password.', and a 'Sign In' button. Below the fields are links for 'Forgot your user ID?' and 'Forgot your password?'. A blue circle with the number '1' is positioned to the left of the 'Sign In' section.

- 2** ▶ Select [Claims & Payments](#) from the navigation menu
- ▶ Select [Remittance Viewer](#)

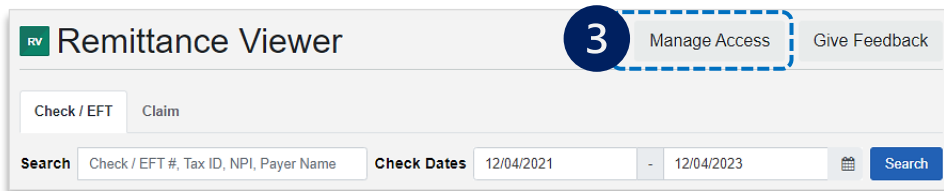


The image shows the Availity navigation menu. A blue dashed box highlights the 'Claim Status & Payments' dropdown menu, which contains 'CS Claim Status' and 'RV Remittance Viewer'. A blue circle with the number '2' is positioned to the left of the 'RV Remittance Viewer' option.

3 Administrators must first complete the following authentication process to use Remittance Viewer.

If your organization has already completed this process, go to [page 5](#).

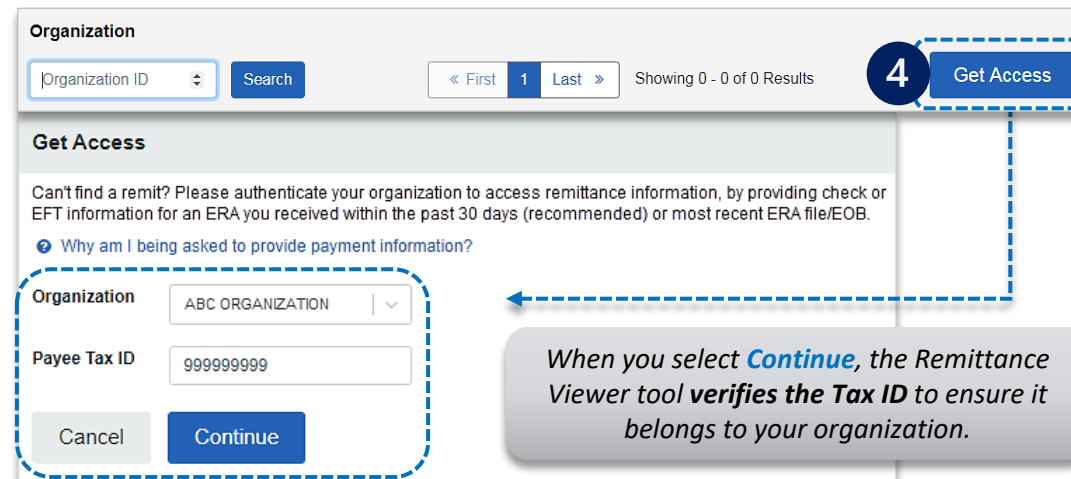
- ▶ Select [Manage Access](#) on the [Remittance Viewer](#) home page



The image shows the Remittance Viewer home page. A blue dashed box highlights the 'Manage Access' button in the top right corner. A blue circle with the number '3' is positioned to the left of the 'Manage Access' button.

4 Under [Manage Access](#):

- ▶ Search for your [Organization ID](#)
- ▶ Select [Get Access](#) (access to stored 835 ERA data for your organization)
- ▶ Select your [Organization](#) from the drop-down, enter the [Payee Tax ID](#) and [Continue](#)



The image shows the 'Get Access' form. A blue dashed box highlights the 'Get Access' button in the top right corner. A blue circle with the number '4' is positioned to the left of the 'Get Access' button. Below the button is a search bar for 'Organization ID' and a 'Search' button. Below the search bar is a 'Get Access' section with a message: 'Can't find a remit? Please authenticate your organization to access remittance information, by providing check or EFT information for an ERA you received within the past 30 days (recommended) or most recent ERA file/EOB.' Below the message is a link: 'Why am I being asked to provide payment information?'. Below the link is a form with an 'Organization' dropdown menu (set to 'ABC ORGANIZATION'), a 'Payee Tax ID' field (set to '999999999'), and 'Cancel' and 'Continue' buttons. A blue dashed box highlights the 'Organization' dropdown and 'Payee Tax ID' field. A blue circle with the number '4' is positioned to the left of the 'Continue' button.

When you select [Continue](#), the Remittance Viewer tool **verifies the Tax ID** to ensure it belongs to your organization.



5 In the **Access Remits** section:

- ▶ Enter the 15-digit **Check/EFT Trace Number**, **Amount** and **Date**
 - ▶ For **Paper Check payments**, enter the issue date
 - ▶ For **EFT payments**, enter the deposit date
- ▶ Select **Submit**

Access Remits

Check/EFT Trace Number

Check/EFT Amount \$

Check Date

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*When you select **Submit**, the Remittance Viewer tool verifies that the **Check/EFT data** entered matches the check/EFT information Availity has on record for your organization.*

Quick Tips:

- Use a check/EFT payment received from BCBSIL within the last 30 days.
- **How to manually create the Check/EFT trace number:** Enter C, the last two digits of the year payment was issued, 3-digit Julian date (paper check use issue date, EFT use deposit date), the 8-digit check/EFT number, and enter zero for the last number (e.g., **C2399E999999990**).

7 Under **Actions**:

- ▶ Select the **Delegate Access icon** (👤) under **Actions** to give access to another organization or your billing service
- ▶ Select the **Revoke Access icon** (🗑️) under **Actions** to revoke access for a delegated entity (e.g., *billing service*)

6 On the **Verify Data** page:

- ▶ Select the **check box** next to each **Payer** whose ERAs you want to access and click **Accept**

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Verify Data - Test Business (1234567)

1 We found the following check/EFT that matches your search criteria:

Payer	PAYER NAME	NPI	1234567890
Check/EFT Number	C2499E999999990	TIN	9999999999
Check/EFT Amount	\$500.00		
Check/EFT Date	01/15/2024		

1 There might be other payers available that match your check's Payee IDs. Select each payer whose ERAs you want access to.

All
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*After clicking **Accept**, log out and log back in to Availity Essentials.*

Home > Remittance Viewer > Manage Access

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Organization

All < First 1 Last > Showing 1 - 3 of 3 Results

Status	Org ID	Org Name	Payer	Payee NPI	Payee TIN	Other ID	Enrollment Period	Enrolled By	Actions
Check Verified	111111	Test Organization A Provider Group A	BCBSIL	1234567890	11112222	081330-9432072-960000	07/29/2018 - Present	Mary Jones	<input checked="" type="button" value="Delegate Access"/> 👤
Organization Name	Organization ID	Access Delegated	Access Revoked	Granted By	Start Date	Actions			
ABC Billing Company	112233	11/21/2019	-	Robert Evans	11/21/20	<input checked="" type="button" value="Revoke Access"/> 🗑️			

*When **delegating access to another organization** (e.g., *billing service*), that organization must be registered with Availity to access 835 ERA data in Remittance Viewer. You will need their Availity Customer ID.*

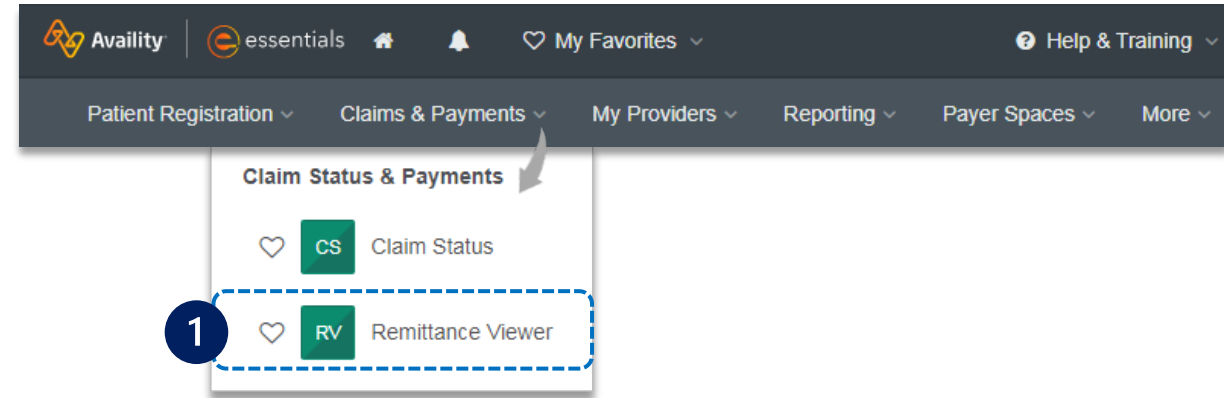
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Step 2: Accessing Remittance Viewer

- 1 Select **Claims & Payments** from the navigation menu
- 1 Select **Remittance Viewer**

Note: Contact your Availity Administrator if **Remittance Viewer** is not listed in the **Claims & Payments** menu. Administrators must assign users the **Claim Status** role to access **Remittance Viewer**.

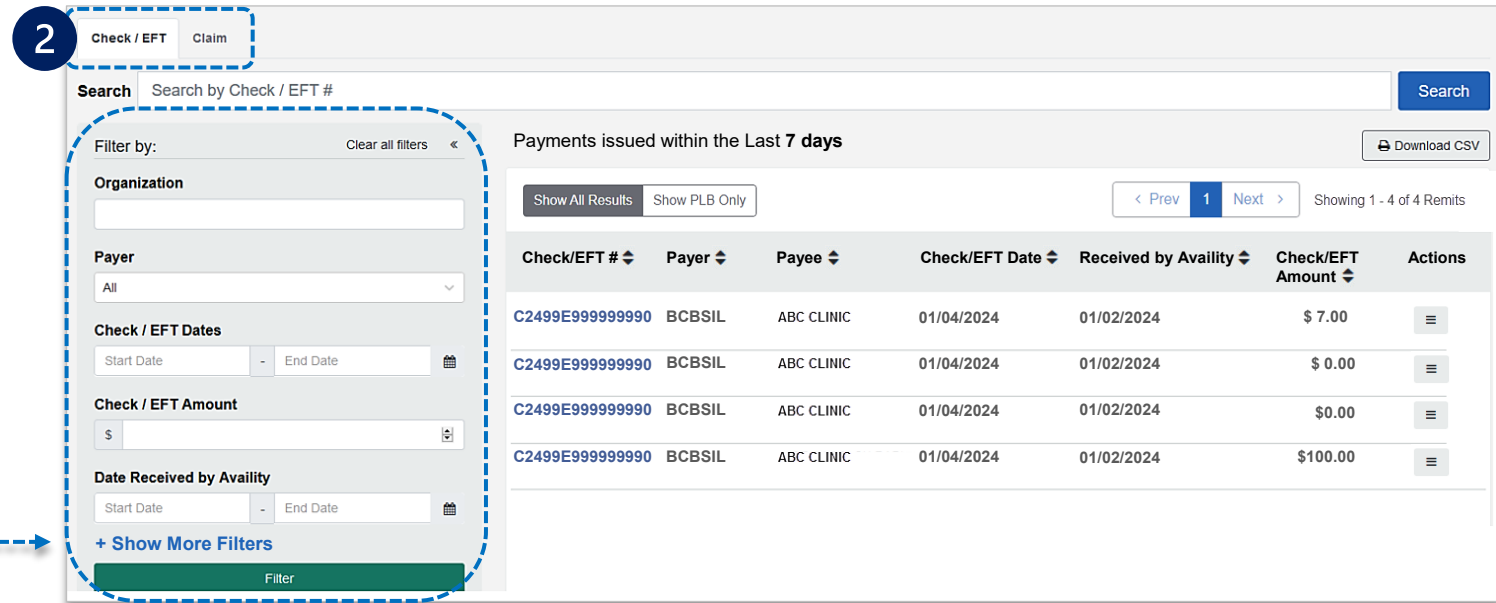


- 2 Remittance Viewer will display the provider organization's last 48 hours of remittances upon opening the tool.

Search Options:

- ▶ Search by **Check/EFT** number
- ▶ Search by **Claim** number
- ▶ **Filter by** functionality

Expand + **Show More Filters** to filter by *Exceptions, Adjustment Groups, and/or Payment Type.*





Step 3: Search by Check/EFT or Claim Number *(continued)*

- 2 ▶ Select **Claim** tab
- ▶ Enter the BCBSIL claim number
- ▶ Click **Search** and then select the returned **Claim #** to view processing data such as adjustments, service line details and supplemental data

Quick Tips:

→ Use the advanced search options of **Patient Name** and **Patient ID** in the **Filter by** area to locate specific claims.

→ **Be careful not to over filter**, as you might not receive the desired results. Consider refining your search by starting broader and then narrowing down criteria.

Check / EFT

Claim
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Search **Check Dates** -

✕ Claim Number 9999999999999X

Filter by: Clear all filters <

Organization

Patient Name

Patient ID

Check / EFT Amount

Claim Received Date
 -

Service Date
 -

[+ Show More Filters](#)

Filter

Payments issued from **12/14/2023** to **12/14/2023**

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Showing 1 - 1 of 1 Remits

Service Dates ⇅	Claim # ⇅	Payer ⇅	Check/EFT # (Check/EFT Date) ⇅	Patient Name (Patient Control #) (ID) ⇅	Patient Amt ⇅	Total Charged Amt ⇅	Total Paid Amt ⇅	Actions
12/14/2023 - 12/14/2023	0999991234567890X	BCBSIL	12/16/2023	Jane Doe	\$0.00	\$640.00	\$640.00	<input type="button" value="Download"/>

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Showing 1 - 1 of 1 Remits

Users can search by using a whole or partial claim number. However, for claims, you can search with multiple criteria at the same time (i.e., check, claim, NPI, Tax ID, member ID and/or patient control number). If entering partial criteria, users must select which criteria is desired to complete the search.



Step 4: Viewing Claim Results & Support

- 1 All applicable claims for the Claim Number search will return, along with any adjustments and/or service line details
- Select **Supplemental** at the bottom of the results page to view inpatient and outpatient adjudication information

Expand the **Claim Payment Adjustments** and **Service Line Information** to view additional processing details.

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BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD OF ILLINOIS P O BOX 660044 DALLAS, TX. 75266-0044 www.availity.com	Check/EFT Number C2499E999999990 Check/EFT Date 12/16/2023 Claim Received Date 12/14/2023	Payee Name ABC Provider Payee Tax ID 999999999 Payee NPI 1234567890 Payment Method Code ACH Transaction Type I:Remittance Information Only
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Claim Number **0999991234567890X** [Collapse All Rows](#)
 Claim Date 11/14/2023 - 11/14/2023

Patient Name	Status	Patient Control #	Payer Claim Control #	DRG Code/Qty	Total Patient Resp	Total Charge	Total Adj Amount	Total Paid
Jane Doe	1- Processed as Primary	111111111	0999991234567890X	998/0	\$0.00	\$640.00	\$0.00	\$640.00

Claim Payment Adjustments (0)

[Service Line Information \(1\)](#) [Collapse All Service Lines Rows](#)

Service Dates	Line Item Control #	Adjudicated CPT	Submitted CPT	Submitted Units	Paid Units	Allowed - Actual	Charge Amount	Adj Amount	Paid Amount
12/14/2023 - 12/14/2023	Supplemental	NU:0519			1	\$640.00	\$640.00	\$0.00	\$640.00

Business Scenarios	Proprietary Codes	Remittance Adjustment Remark Codes	Claim Adjustment								
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Select **Print PDF** to create and **print** results.

Supplemental
Print PDF
History

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