Workers' Compensation in PayServ

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What We'll Cover

- WC Tax Exclusions & Prior and Current Year Tax Clean Ups
- WC Supplemental Payments
- Changes to Incident and Injury Detail Requirement



WC Tax Exclusions & Prior and Current Year Tax Clean Ups



IRS Publication 525

- "Amounts you receive as workers' compensation for an occupational sickness or injury are fully exempt from tax if they're paid under a workers' compensation act or a statute in the nature of a workers' compensation act."
- "Return to work. If you return to work after qualifying for workers' compensation, salary payments you receive for performing light duties are taxable as wages."



WC Taxes for NYS Employees

- 1. Agency places employee on WC leave in PayServ
- 2. WC Exclusion programs review the WC Leaves panel for employees on WC leave
 - Programs run on a six-week lag to allow for late entry of WC leave transactions
- 3. Programs reduce taxable gross earnings for three categories:
 - WFA Federal Taxes
 - WSA State Taxes
 - WSM FICA taxes (Social Security & Medicare)
- 4. Refunds are calculated based on the taxability of the exclusion
- 5. Checks are issued for each tax category

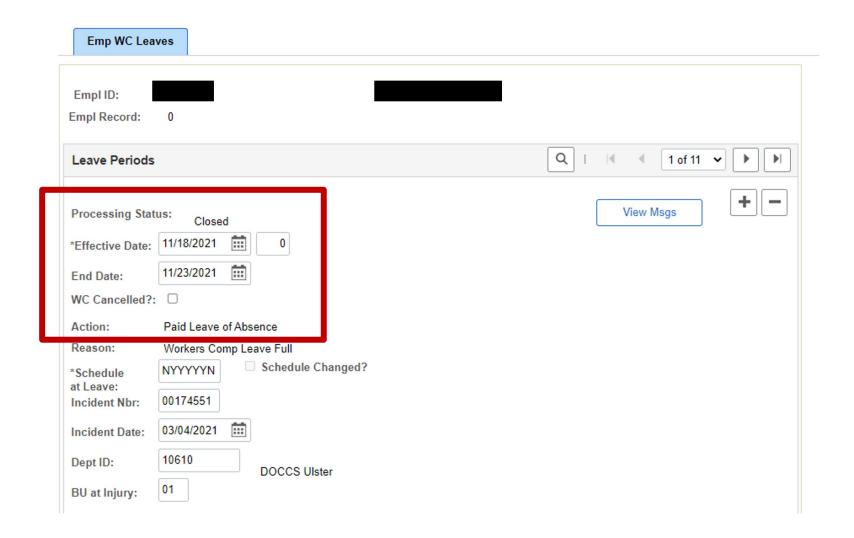


The Six Week Lag

2022 WC Tax Refund Dates INST LAG								
10/21/21	11/3/21	11/18/21	12/30/21					
			To be caught in 1st prior year WC clear					
11/4/21	11/17/21	12/2/21	up in 2022.					
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11/18/21	12/1/21	12/16/21	up in 2022.					
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12/2/21	12/15/21	12/30/21	up in 2022.					
12/16/21	12/20/21	1/13/22	2/24/22					
12/30/21	1/12/22	1/27/22	3/10/22					
1/13/22	1/26/22	2/10/22	3/24/22 4/7/22					
1/27/22	2/9/22	2/24/22						
2/10/22	2/23/22	3/10/22	4/21/22					
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3/10/22	3/23/22	4/7/22	5/19/22					
3/24/22	4/6/22	4/21/22	6/2/22					
4/1/22	4/20/22	5/5/22	6/16/22					
4/21/22	5/4/22	5/19/22	6/30/22					
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5/19/22	6/1/22	6/16/22	7/28/22					

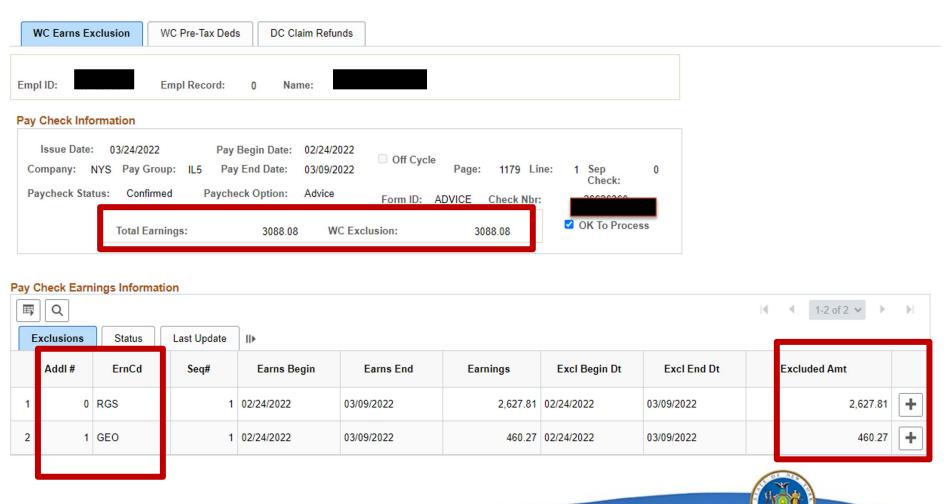
WC Leaves Page

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Full Exclusion WC Earnings Exclusion

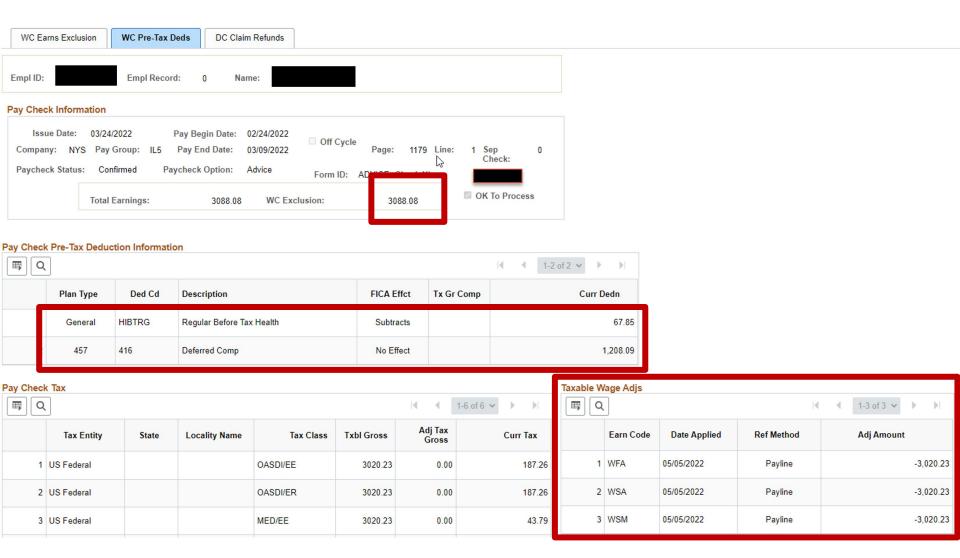
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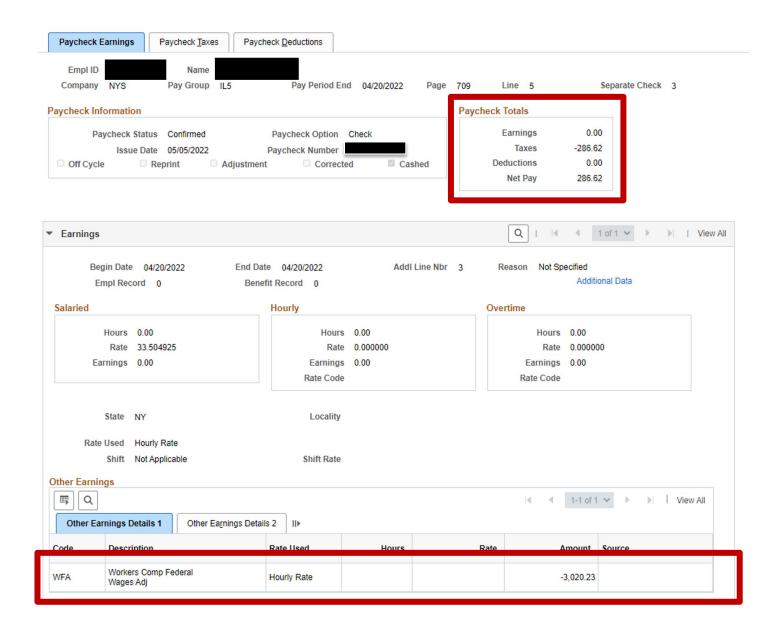
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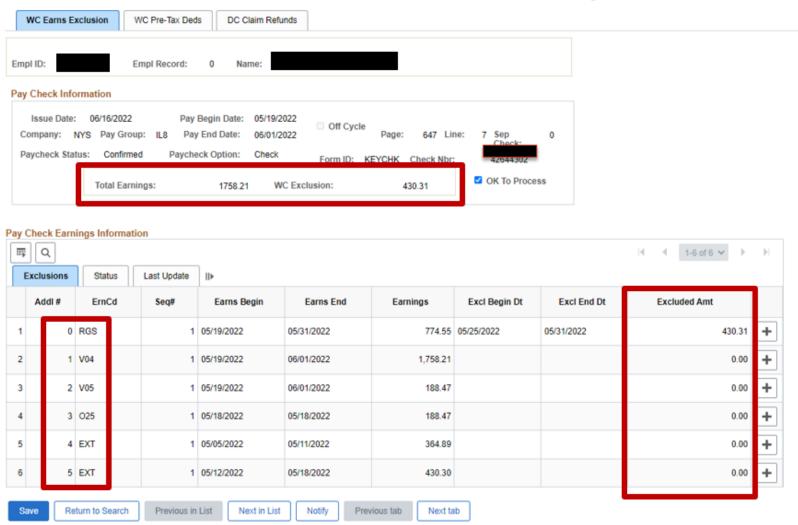
Full Exclusion WC Pre-Tax Deds Tab



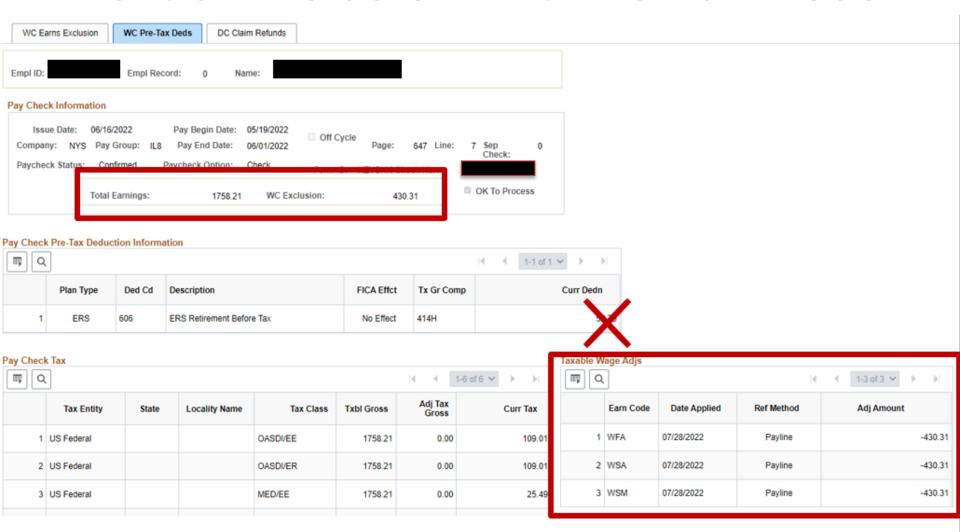
Full Exclusion WFA Check



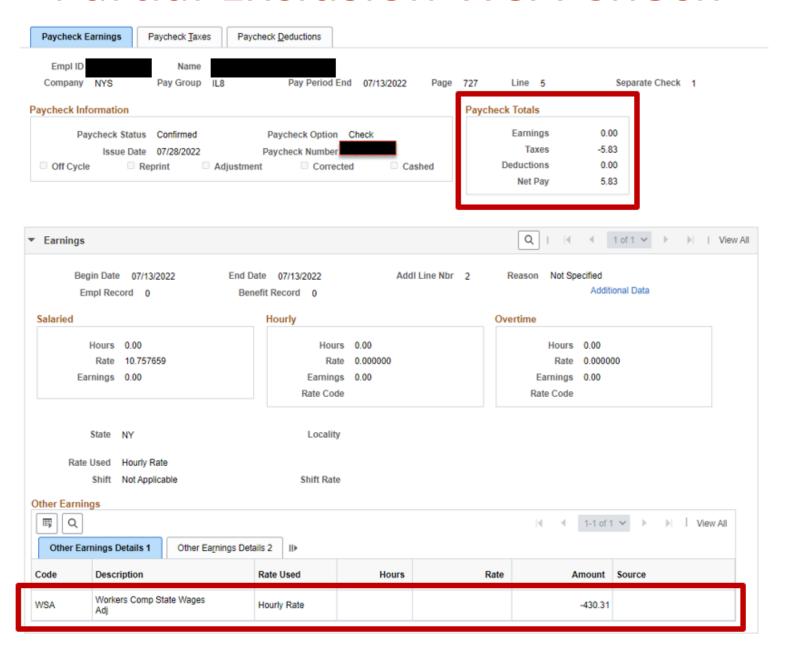
Partial Exclusion WC Earnings Exclusion



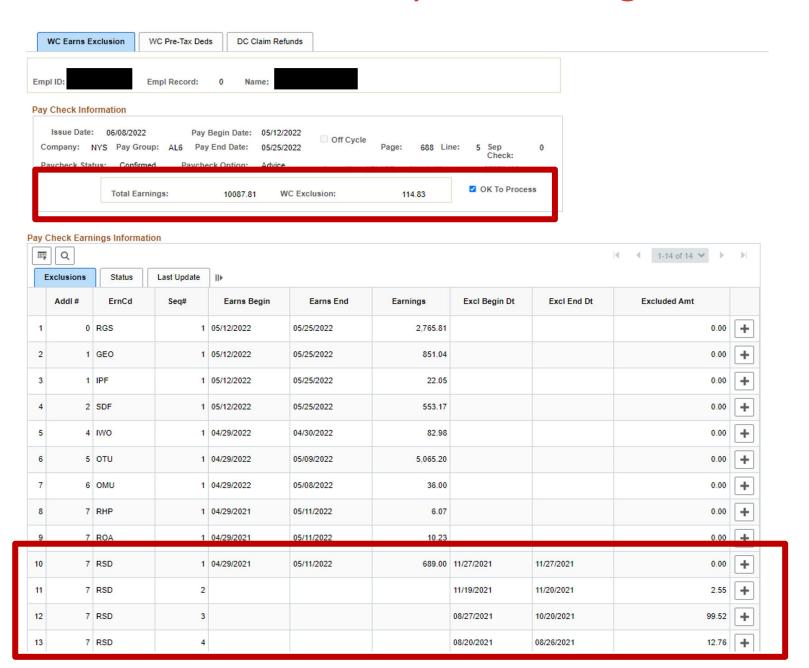
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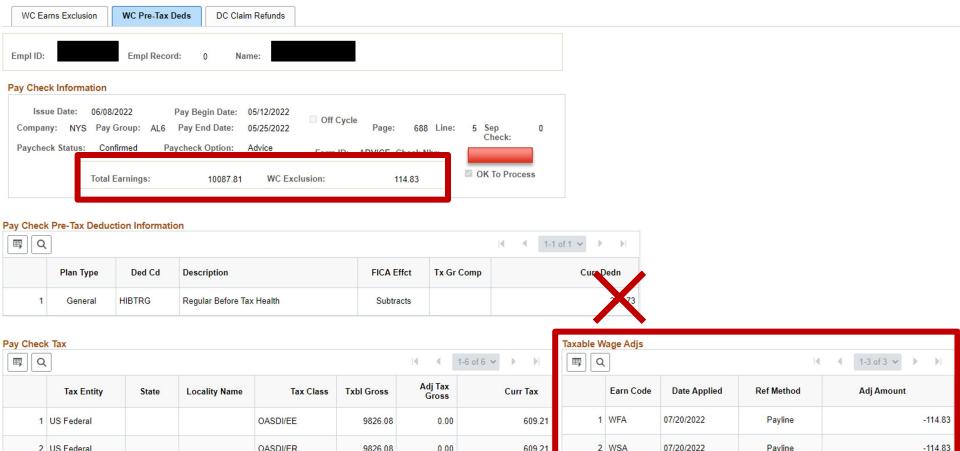
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WC Exclusions & Retro Pay WC Earnings Exclusion



WC Exclusion & Retro Pay WC Pre-Tax Deds Tab



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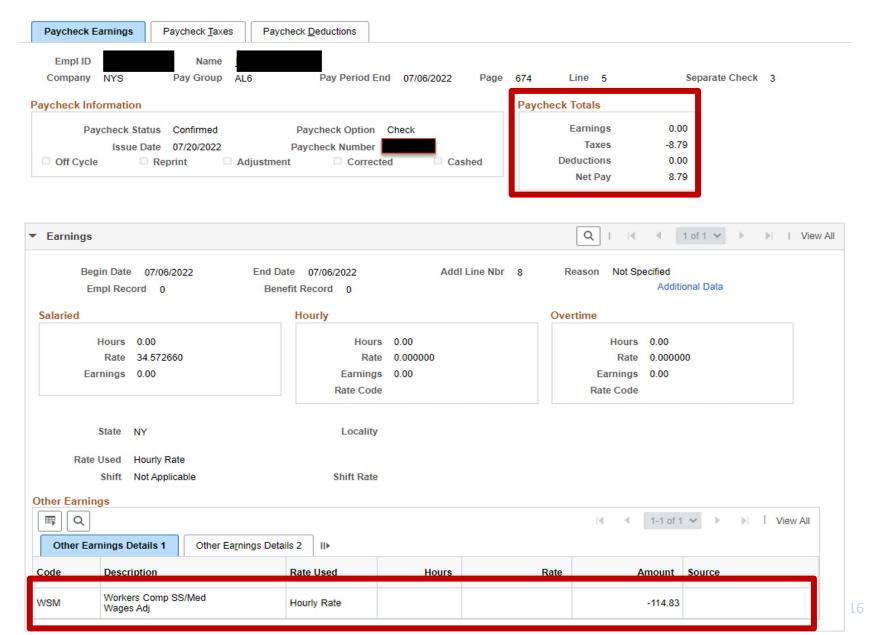
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WC Exclusion & Retro WSM Check



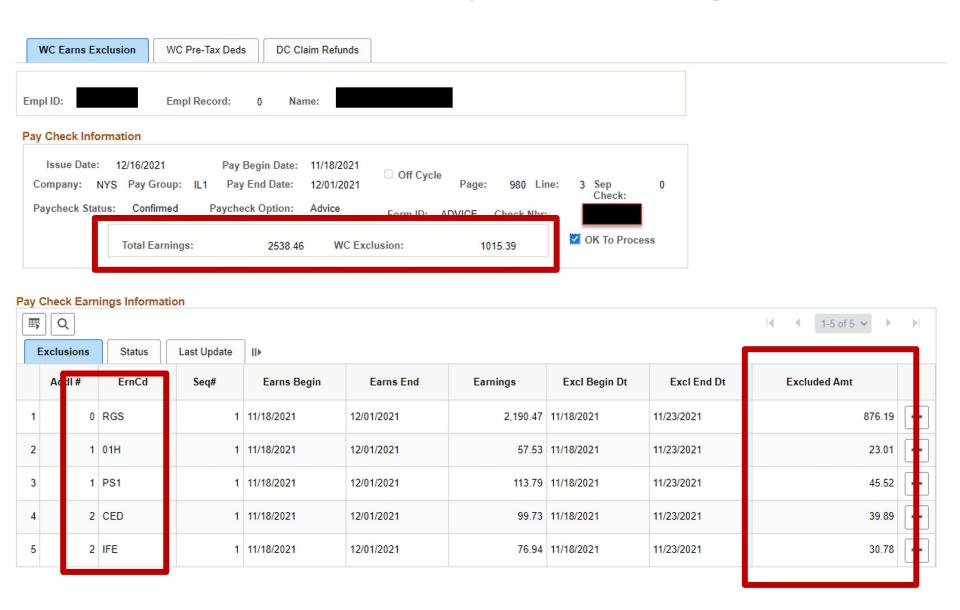
Prior Year WC "Clean Ups"

Programs run to correct prior year taxable gross for employees with WC leaves

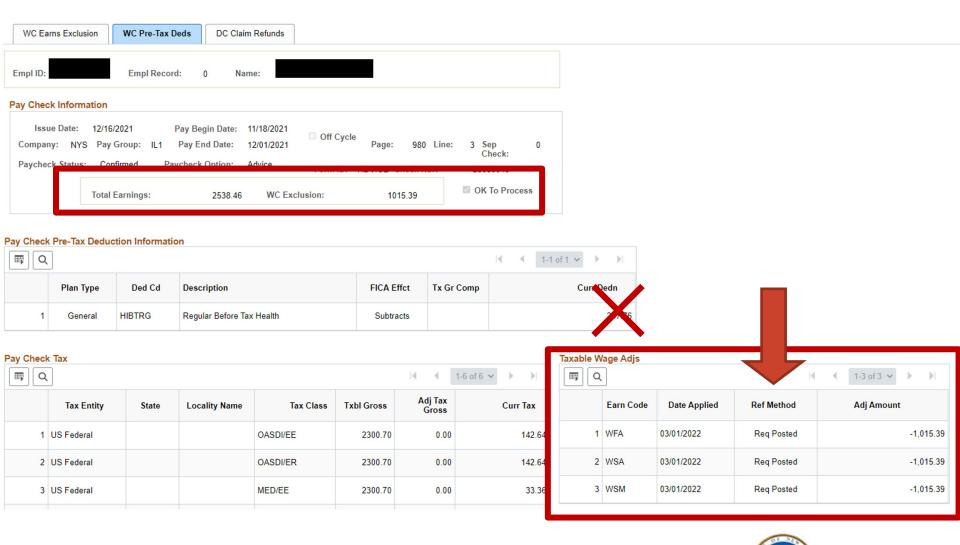
- Two reasons for these corrections
 - Changes to WC leave in prior year
 - Clean up for final three checks
- Issues corrected by W-2 Cs
 - New WC leave causes decrease in taxable gross
 - Cancelled WC leave causes increase to taxable gross
 - Adjusts taxable gross for Federal/State/FICA
- Generates FICA refunds or deficiencies as needed
 - Refunds if taxable gross decreased
 - Deficiencies if taxable gross increased
- Statute of Limitations 3 years, 3 months, 15 days



First Prior Year Clean Up WC Earnings Exclusion



First Prior Year Clean Up WC Pre-Tax Deds Tab



Prior Year FICA Refunds

- Clean Up Programs calculate refunds
- PayServ Bulletin Board message is posted
- NTAX722 report lists employees with calculated refunds
- Agency completes AC3206 form for each employee
- Agency collects signed AC3206 forms
- Agency selects the "Refund Consent Received" box for all employees with signed forms



Refund Consent?

Payroll for North America > U.S. Annual Processing > W-2 Adjustments > Update Emp W2C AC-3206 Status

Empl ID: Name:		C	W2 NYS
c Batch Number: 2083 Year: 20			
AC-3206 Status			
Refund Consent Received?			
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Prior Year FICA Deficiency Process

- Clean Up programs calculate amount owed
- OSC enters General Comments
 - Providing two full pay periods of notice prior to start of collection
- Agency informs employee of impending deduction
- OSC enters 502 FICA deficiency
 - 10% for active employees
 - 100% for inactive
- PayServ collects until satisfied

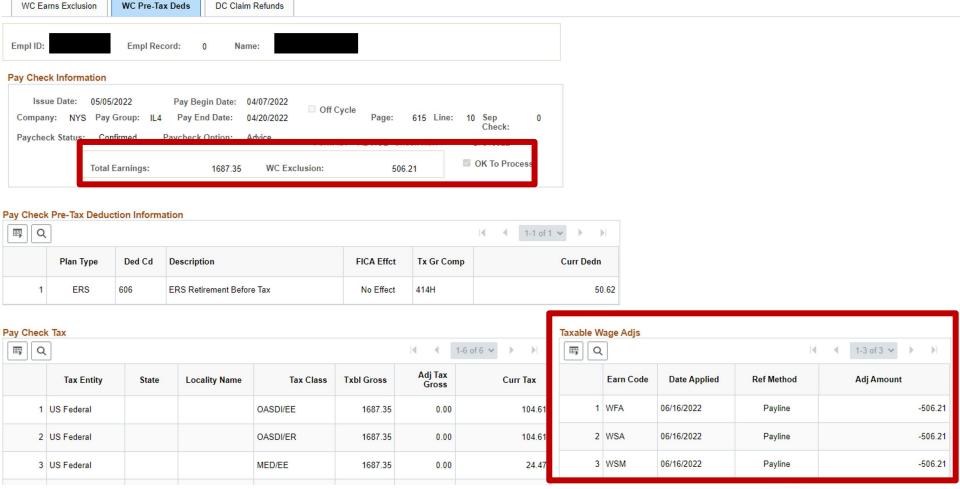


What about those \$0.00 refund checks?

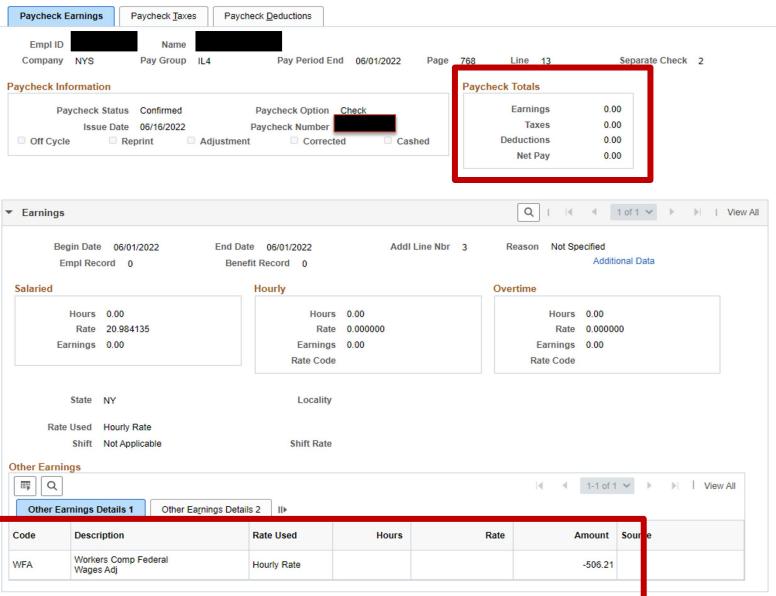
- Regularly Processed WC Tax Refunds
 - Refunds are not equivalent to what was initially withheld
 - PayServ refunds taxes by determining how much the amount being excluded would have been taxed
 - If the amount being refunded would not have been taxed, the system doesn't calculate a tax refund, and a \$0.00 check is generated
- Other reasons for \$0.00 refund checks include:
 - Modified Leaves
 - WC Exclusions on Negative Retro



\$0.00 Checks WC Pre-Tax Deds



\$0.00 Checks WFA Check



Current Year WC Clean Ups

- 3 Per Year
 - o June
 - September
 - December
- Taxable Gross Adjustments
 - Federal
 - State
 - Local
 - Social Security
 - Medicare
- Tax Balance Adjustments
 - Social Security
 - Medicare

Current Year WC Clean Ups

- PayServ Bulletin Board message is posted
- Control-D report NBEN543B lists employees with 502 FICA Deficiencies
 - Employee Notification
- FICA Refunds issued in paychecks



Supplemental Payments



Processing Supplemental Payments

- NYSIF sends award information to OSC
- Many payments calculate and load automatically to PayServ
- Some payments require review
 - Clean Payments
 - Unresolved Payments
 - Recaps



Calculating Supplemental Payments

NYSIF weekly award is \$875.88 Paying 8 days so the award is: \$700.70

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$1787.92 Biweekly Comp Rate

+ $116.07 Addl. Pays (LOC PAY)

/ 10 Days

= $190.40 Daily Comp Rate

* 8 Number of Days Awarded by NYSIF

= $1523.19 Total Pre-Injury Gross Biweekly for 8 Days

* .60 (60%) .60 (60%)

= $913.92 60% of Pre-injury Gross Biweekly for 8 Days
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NYSIF Award of \$700.70 < \$913.92 Employee is Entitled to Supplement = \$213.22

Calculating Supplemental Payments

NYSIF weekly award is \$1063.05 Paying 5 days so the award is: \$531.53

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$1496.86 Biweekly Comp Rate
$0.00 Employee has No Additional Pays
10 Days
$149.69 Daily Comp Rate
Number of Days Awarded by NYSIF
$748.43 Total Pre-Injury Gross Biweekly for 5 Days
.60 (60%)
$449.06 60% of Pre-injury Gross Biweekly for 5 Days
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NYSIF Award of \$531.53 > \$449.06 Employee is **NOT** Entitled to Supplement

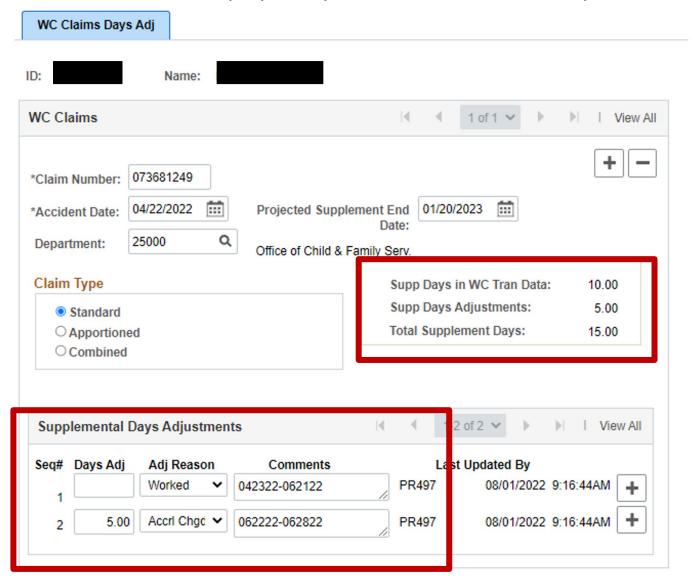
WC Data Simple Example

Payroll for North America > Employee Pay Data USA > Workers Compensation Data

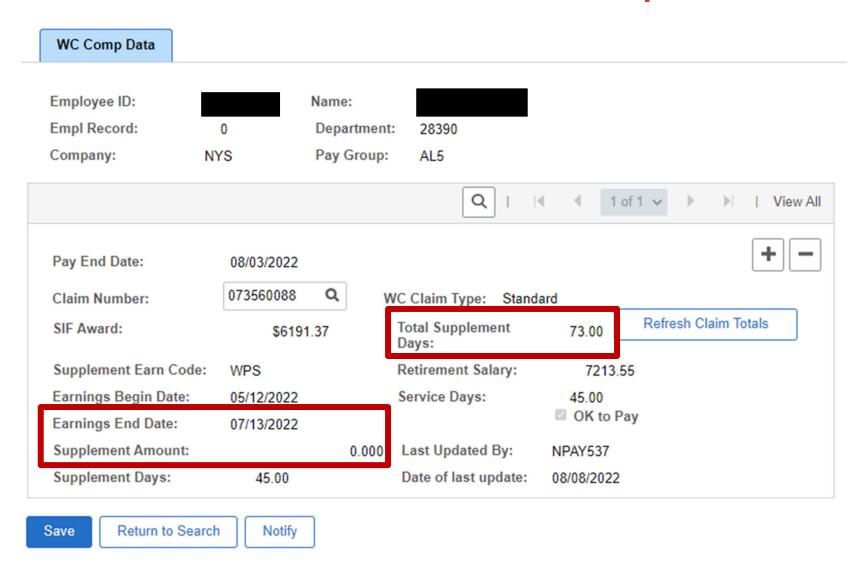
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Supplement Earn Code:	WPS		Retirement Salary:	2430	.77
Earnings Begin Date:	06/29/2022		Service Days:	10.00	
Earnings End Date:	07/12/2022			OK to	Pay
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WC Claims Supplement Simple Example

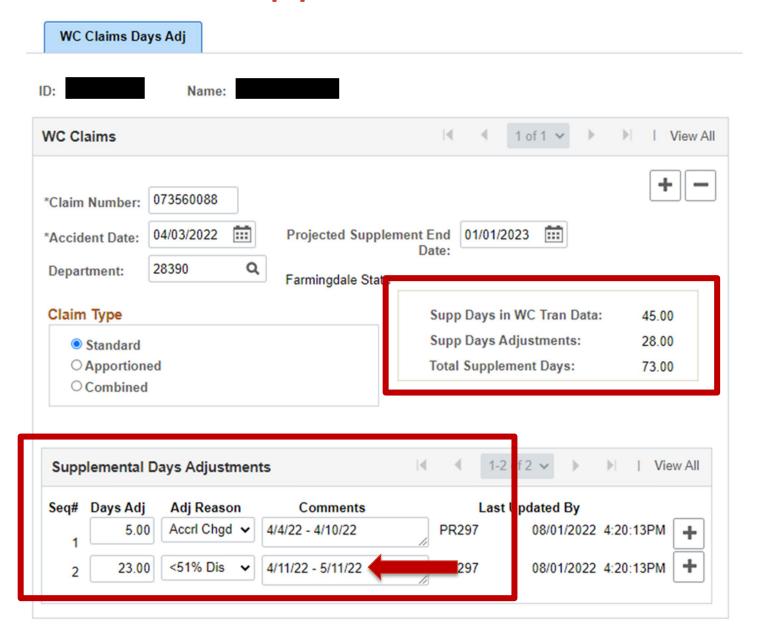
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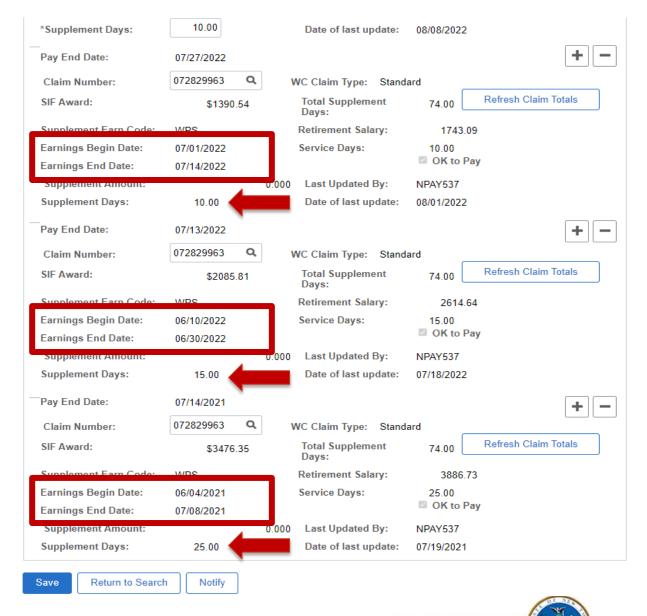
WC Data < 51% Example



WC Claims Supplement < 51% Example

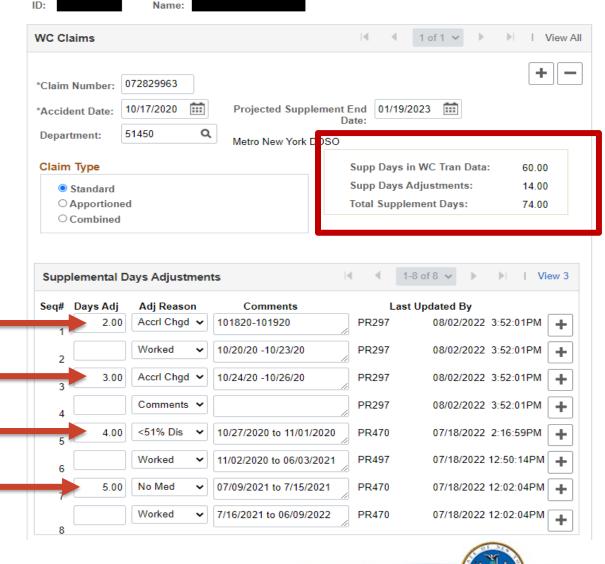


WC Data Complex Example



WC Claims Days Adj

WC Claims Supplement Complex Example



Retirement Reporting

- Employees on LOA/WPS must be reported to ERS via
 Form RS 2050 for:
 - Period between expiration of 195 days of supplemental eligibility and end of 1 year WC benefit
 - Any adjusted days during the supplement eligibility period
 - < < 51%
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 - No Med
- All other periods will automatically report to ERS biweekly

Please Remember!

The following Additional Pay codes should be left on for employees while on Workers' Compensation leave:

• IPF/IPP

• GEO

• LOC/LMH

SDF

Changes to Incident and Injury Details Requirement



Changes to Incident and Injury Details Requirement

We have removed the requirement that corresponding Incident and Injury details exist in PayServ when entering a WC leave job transaction or request.

What does this mean for agencies?

- No more error messages when entering transactions
- No more WC Correct History requests denied due to missing Incident/Injury details

Incident and Injury Details pages will still be available for optional agency use.

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Questions?

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