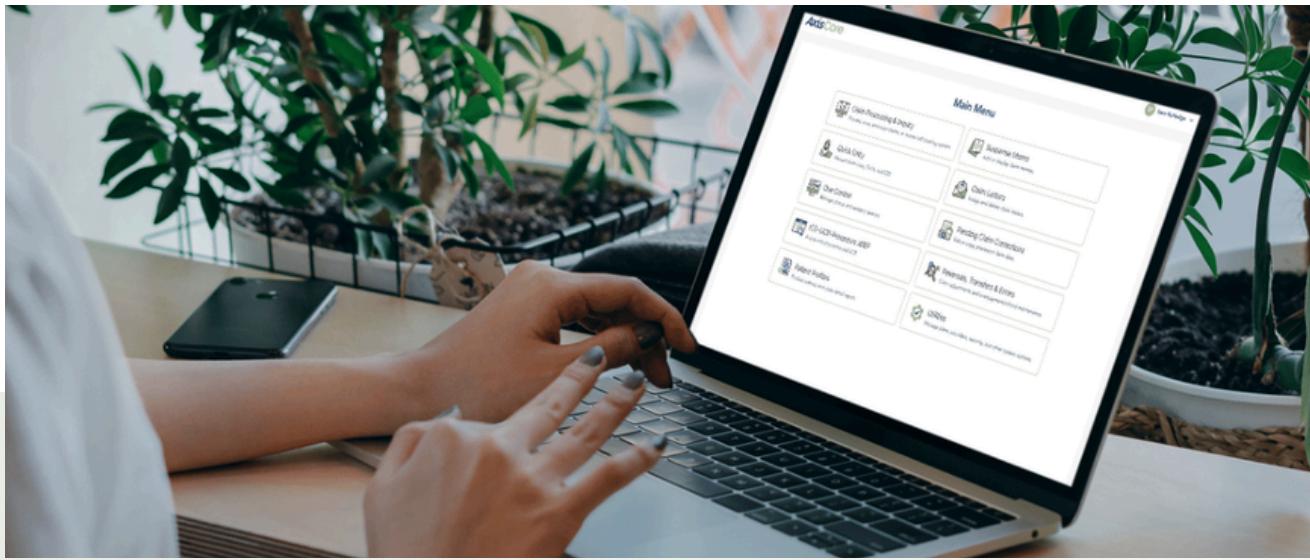




How TPAs Can Simplify Multi-Client Premium Billing Without Sacrificing Accuracy



Managing premium billing across multiple clients is one of the most complex operational responsibilities for third-party administrators (TPAs). Each client brings unique plan designs, billing rules, payment schedules, and reporting requirements. At the same time, TPAs are expected to deliver accurate invoices, timely reconciliation, and audit ready records without scaling administrative overhead.

This checklist outlines key practices TPAs can use to simplify multi-client premium billing while maintaining accuracy, transparency, and compliance.

A Practical Checklist for Multi-Client Billing Operations



1. Clearly Separate Client-Specific Billing Rules

Ensure each client's premium rates, member contribution structures, billing cycles, and grace periods are distinctly configured and documented. Blending rules across clients increases the risk of misbilling and compliance issues, especially during audits or client transitions.

Checklist questions:

- **Are billing rules configured at the client level rather than hard coded?**
- **Can changes be made without impacting other clients?**

2. Standardize Processes Without Standardizing Outcomes

While client requirements differ, the underlying billing workflow should remain consistent. Standardized processes reduce training time, improve quality control, and make it easier to scale operations as new clients are added.

Checklist questions:

- **Do teams follow the same billing and reconciliation workflow across clients?**
- **Are exceptions documented and consistently handled?**

3. Automate Premium Billing Calculations Where Possible

Manual calculations increase the likelihood of errors, particularly when managing multiple eligibility sources, retroactive changes, and partial month premiums. Automation supports consistency while reducing rework.

Checklist questions:

- **Are eligibility changes automatically reflected in premium calculations?**
- **Can the system handle retroactive adjustments accurately?**



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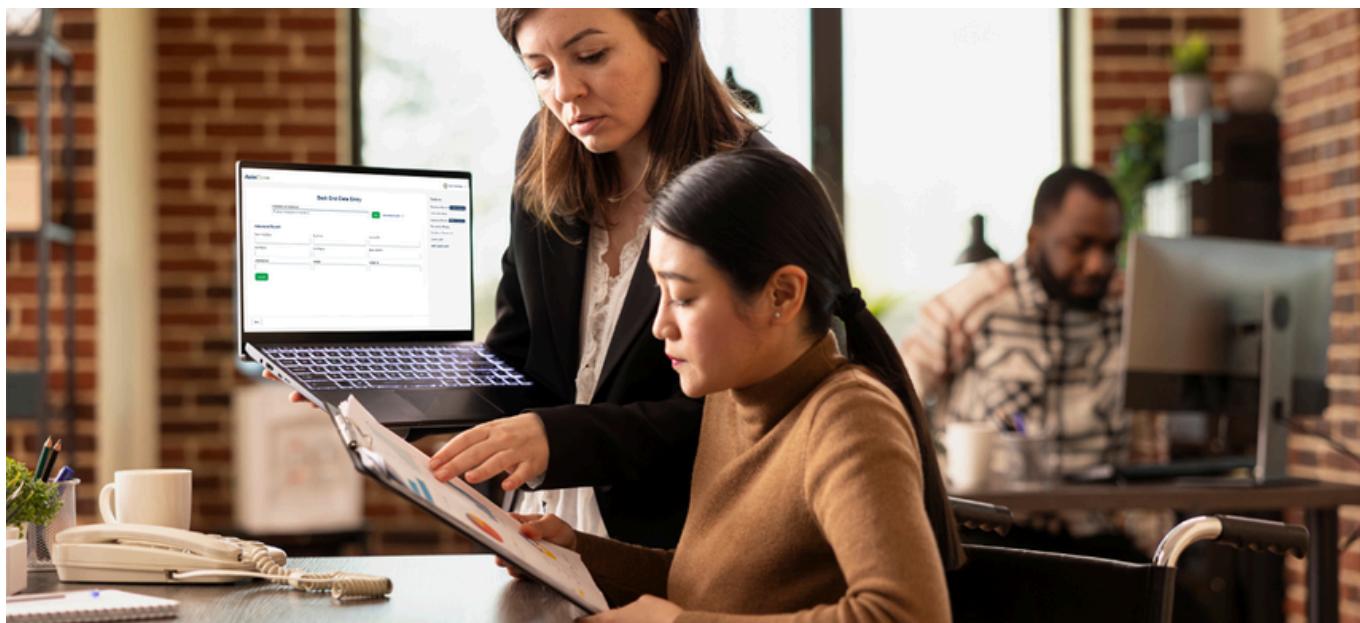
When evaluating automation, prioritize scenarios that create the most rework, such as retroactive eligibility changes, partial month coverage, and rate updates. Even limited automation in these areas can significantly reduce downstream corrections and member inquiries.

4. Centralize Member Invoicing and Communications

Members expect clear, timely, and accurate invoices regardless of the plan sponsor. Centralized invoicing processes help ensure consistent formatting, delivery, and audit trails while still supporting client branding requirements.

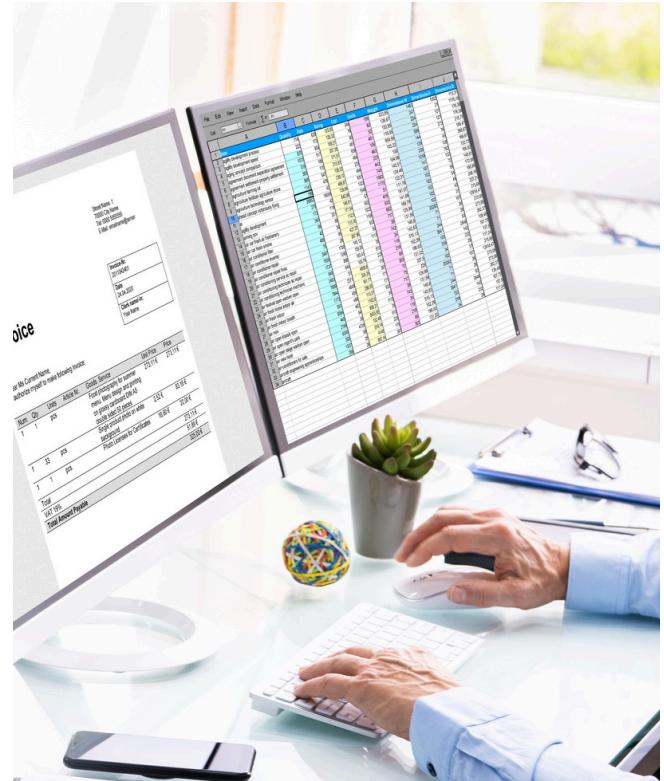
Checklist questions:

- Are invoices generated from a single source of truth?
- Is invoice history easily accessible for client inquiries and audits?



5. STREAMLINE PAYMENT POSTING AND RECONCILIATION

Handling payments across multiple platforms and clients can quickly become resource intensive. Efficient reconciliation processes help ensure payments are applied correctly, and discrepancies are identified early.



Checklist questions:

- Are electronic payments and remittances automatically matched to invoices?
- Can unapplied or partial payments be easily identified and resolved?

6. Maintain Audit Ready Billing Records

TPAs must be prepared to support both client audits and regulatory reviews. Clear documentation and traceability are essential for demonstrating compliance and accuracy.

Checklist questions:

- **Is there a clear audit trail for premium calculations and adjustments?**
- **Can historical billing data be retrieved quickly when requested?**

7. Reduce Reliance on Manual Workarounds

Spreadsheets and offline tools often fill gaps in legacy billing systems, but they increase risk and limit scalability. Reducing manual steps improves both accuracy and staff efficiency.

Checklist questions:

- **How many steps in the billing process rely on manual intervention?**
- **Are errors tracked and analyzed to identify systemic issues?**



Helpful Tip

Audit readiness is not just about year end preparation. Build controls into day to day billing workflows so documentation, approvals, and calculation logic are captured automatically. This reduces scramble during audits and improves client trust year round.



Supporting Flexibility With Modern Billing Technology

Many TPAs are reevaluating whether their billing platforms can support growing client complexity without increasing operational burden. Modern, configurable solutions, such as AxisCore, are designed to support accurate premium billing and member invoicing, streamline payment posting and reconciliation across platforms, and reduce manual effort and billing related errors. The goal is not to force uniformity across clients, but to provide a flexible foundation that adapts to each client's needs while maintaining consistency behind the scenes.

Simplifying multi-client premium billing does not require sacrificing accuracy or control. By focusing on clear configuration, standardized workflows, automation, and audit readiness, TPAs can create billing operations that scale confidently across clients while delivering the transparency and reliability health plans expect. Learn more about our core administrative processing system built specifically for TPAs today.

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