

# Refunding an Unallocated Payment

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In the event you need to refund an unallocated payment in a patient's account, you can do so with just a few steps.


First, navigate to **Billing > Patient Payments**

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Search for the patient you need to refund the unallocated payment.

Patient Payments | Payments | Line Items | Logs | Statements | Balance

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Filter by Range: \$ - \$ Provider: All

Simple: On Condensed: On Internal: Off

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Please select a patient.

Once you have the patient's payment history, you can view their unallocated balance (in the black box below). Click the green **+ Add** to start the refund process.

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Payment Sample  From  To  Filter by Range: \$  - \$  Provider: All

Simple:  On Condensed:  On Internal:  Off Update

	Total Paid	Allocated Payment (Paid to Appt)	Unallocated Payment	Statement Balance	Total Balance
Payment Sample	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	-\$100.00

Print/Export

#	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unallocated	Posted Date	Payment Date	Appointment	Line Item	Provider	Payment Method	Type	Notes	Amount	Total
▶ 0	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$100.00	Jun 7, 2022	Jun 7, 2022			Dr. James Smith	Cash	Credit		\$100.00	

Legend:  Unallocated |  Fully Allocated

Next, select or enter the following:

- Appointment: Unallocated/No Appointment
- Provider
- Payment Method
- Type: Refund
- Notes (Optional, but advised if information on the refund is needed at a later date)
- Amount: The amount needs to be negative.

## New Cash

Payment Date

Appointment

Line Item

Provider

Payment Method

Type

Notes

Amount

Add

Cancel

Click **Add** when finished.

The unallocated payment is now \$0.00.

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Payment Sample ▾

From  To  Filter by Range: \$  - \$  Provider: All ▾

Simple:  On Condensed:  On Internal:  Off Update

	Total Paid	Allocated Payment (Paid to Appt)	Unallocated Payment	Statement Balance	Total Balance	
Payment Sample	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	<span>Auto Fill</span>

Print/Export ▾ + Add

#	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unallocated	Posted Date	Payment Date	Appointment	Line Item	Provider	Payment Method	Type	Notes	Amount	Total	
▶ 0	<input type="checkbox"/>	-\$100.00	Jun 7, 2022	Jun 7, 2022			Dr. James Smith	Cash	Refund		-\$100.00		<span>⊕</span> <span>Receipt</span>
▶ 0	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$100.00	Jun 7, 2022	Jun 7, 2022			Dr. James Smith	Cash	Credit		\$100.00		<span>⊕</span> <span>Receipt</span>

The next step is to cancel out the positive and negative balances in the unallocated column payments table. If we do not entirely cancel out the balances, they will remain available for future allocations.

Click on the arrow (



) next to the receipt button.

Patient Payments | Payments | Line Items | Logs | Statements | Balance

Payment Sample ▾

From  To  Filter by Range: \$  - \$  Provider: All ▾

Simple:  On Condensed:  On Internal:  Off Update

	Total Paid	Allocated Payment (Paid to Appt)	Unallocated Payment	Statement Balance	Total Balance	
Payment Sample	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	<span>Auto Fill</span>

Print/Export ▾ + Add

#	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unallocated	Posted Date	Payment Date	Appointment	Line Item	Provider	Payment Method	Type	Notes	Amount	Total	
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Select the appointment, click **Move**, and then **Confirm** for each unallocated amount.

Move Cash

Appointment: 6/07/2022 11:00AM (\$100.00)

Line Item: 99213 (\$100.00)

Amount: \$ -100 out of -\$100.00

Extra Notes:

Move Cancel

Move Cash

Appointment: 6/07/2022 11:00AM (\$100.00)

Line Item: 99213 (\$100.00)

Amount: \$ -100 out of -\$100.00

Extra Notes:

Confirm Cancel

Move Cash

Appointment: 6/07/2022 11:00AM (\$200.00)

Line Item: 99213 (\$200.00)

Amount: \$ 100 out of \$100.00

Extra Notes:

Payment Type: Credit

Move Cancel

Move Cash

Appointment: 6/07/2022 11:00AM (\$200.00)

Line Item: 99213 (\$200.00)

Amount: \$ 100 out of \$100.00

Extra Notes:

Payment Type: Credit

Confirm Cancel

The unallocated column will now reflect the full refund for the unallocated payment.

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Payment Sample

From To Filter by Range: \$ - \$ Provider: All

Simple: On Condensed: On Internal: Off Update

	Total Paid	Allocated Payment (Paid to Appt)	Unallocated Payment	Statement Balance	Total Balance
Payment Sample	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$100.00

Print/Export + Add

#	Unallocated	Posted Date	Payment Date	Appointment	Line Item	Provider	Payment Method	Type	Notes	Amount	Total
1	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$0.00	Jun 7, 2022	Jun 7, 2022		Dr. James Smith	Cash	Refund		-\$100.00	Receipt
1	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$0.00	Jun 7, 2022	Jun 7, 2022		Dr. James Smith	Cash	Credit		\$100.00	Receipt

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