CGSMR Programming Challenges

**Introduction**

This section provides an overview of the programming challenges associated with the CG Standard Meal Rate (CGSMR) in Direct Access (DA) from 01/01/2015 through 06/30/2019.

*As of 07/01/2019, all retroactive CGSMR transactions will automatically be converted to an In-Service debt* and collected at 15% of the member’s disposable pay after the pay calendar has finalized. See the [In-Service Debts](#) user guide for more information on researching CGSMR In-Service debts.

This guide **ONLY applies to CGSMR debts created prior to 06/30/2019**.

**Background**

CGSMR **must** be started timely. Failure to do so **WILL** result in a full one-time recoupment (DA 9.1 system design). Retroactive CGSMR transactions potentially put members in a negative net pay status and PPC has to intervene to finalize payroll. Failure to follow the below guidance and **submit a timely trouble ticket** (more than 3 business days before finalization) **WILL** result in full recoupment of the CGSMR debt in a single pay period.

Retroactive CGSMR transaction guidance:

1) **Definition:** Retroactive CGSMR Greater than 2 pay periods to begin deductions has already passed (over 30 days).

2) **Direct Access Entry Guidance:**

   (a) If **3 business days or less**, entry is **Not authorized** prior to the next payroll finalization date. The SPO must wait until the next pay period, then follow the guidance outlined below.

   (b) If **Greater than 3 business days**, entry is **authorized** prior to next payroll finalization date. A trouble ticket **must** be submitted requesting the debt be converted to an In-Service debt and a liquidation schedule be built.

**Note:** LUMPSUM deductions may still occur from the member’s pay if timely notification does not occur. Reports capture negative net pay cases. Everything noted above is dependent upon SPO submission of a timely trouble ticket for action. Trouble tickets are to be submitted in both of the situations discussed above.

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In this example, DA is attempting to deduct the entire amount of CGSMR at one time. Notice the Net Result Value (-867.86). **PPC has to manually intervene to stop this from happening.**

**Calculation Explanation:**

- **Sum of Earnings:** BAH $639.00 + BAS $184.70 + BASIC PAY $1332.00 + CLOTHING $21.49 + CSEAPAY $25.00 = $2,202.19 Gross Result Value

- **Total of Deductions:** AFRH $.25 + (DMR $177.75 + $2,654.40 (retro)) + FWT $135.76 + MEDICARE $19.31 + OASDI $82.58 + SGLI $0.0 + TSGLI $0.0 = $3,070.05 Total Deductions

- **Net Result Value:** $2,202.19 - $3070.05 = - $867.86
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