

# EDUCATION CATALOG



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## President's message

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Dear Macha member,

Thank you for your support and membership. Without you, there's no Macha! Please remember, if there is anything with which you need assistance, we're only a phone call or an email away.

This Education Catalog contains the information you'll need to plan your training schedule for 2022. Within this booklet, you will find listings of our educational programs with detailed course descriptions and recommendations to guide your studies. In addition to at least 35 webinars (page 8), and 12 full-day in-person workshops (page 14), we'll be offering Payments University (page 13) in Maryland and Wisconsin as well as a virtual Fraud Day event on September 22. What's more, all of these sessions are covered by our 2022 Educational Package Plans (page 7).

Our members find great value in our educational programs as indicated by our 2022 Member Survey. One member described our training as such:

*"I have always found the training to be very informative and broken down for ease of understanding. I went through the AAP training this year as well and found the structure of training, helpful tips for remembering topics, games, etc. [to be] extremely helpful."*

On the Macha staff are seven Accredited ACH Professionals (AAPs), two National Check Professionals (NCPs), and one Accredited Payments Risk Professional (APRP). The staff boasts over 80 years of combined experience. In 2022, we'll continue to provide operational support and high-quality training on all types of payments topics – including faster payments. Through Macha's subsidiary, Payment Advisory Resource (PAR), we'll continue to offer compliance services and audits.

We're also here to help you earn your AAP, APRP, and NCP accreditations. Macha's AAP Preparation Package (page 5) will, once again, be available in 2022. With this package, if you participate in all required training and do not pass the exam, we will pay your Nacha examination fee. We are confident in our training and we're the **only** Payments Association in the country to offer this guarantee!

We look forward to serving you in 2022. If you have any questions or comments, please contact us. Thank you for your membership.

Sincerely,



**Mary Gilmeister, AAP, NCP**

President and CEO

Macha – Everything Payments – Everywhere

# History and mission statement

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## **Our mission is clear.**

Macha is a member-based organization recognized as the premier resource for information related to all payment rules and networks.

Macha is a Payment Association established in 1975 that serves financial institutions, businesses, and municipalities. With offices in two states, Macha serves members throughout the Mid-Atlantic, Midwest, and Hawai'i.

Our mission is to increase the understanding and use of payment networks by providing education, operational support, and advocacy to payments professionals.

## **What do we do?**

Macha/PAR shares a common strategy with its membership in the pursuit of maximized business efficiencies, improved and evolving payment processes, reduced risk and cost, and increased participant satisfaction. Macha is a certified ECCHO Check Educational Partner, a sponsor of the Center for Payments, a member of the US Faster Payments Council, and as a Direct Member Payment Association of Nacha, is a specially recognized and licensed provider of ACH education, publications, and support.

Macha/PAR is recognized among its members as their primary resource for questions, training, and expertise for all their payment needs. Macha/PAR assists its members not only with ACH payments, but check, card, wire, and faster payments. Knowledge of all payment systems is critical in today's environment as payments continue to converge and evolve.

Our training is not just for financial institutions' operations and compliance staff. We offer training focused on your financial institution's corporate customers as well.

Macha and PAR currently have seven Accredited ACH Professionals (AAPs), two National Check Professionals (NCPs), and one Accredited Payments Risk Professional (APRP) on staff. The staff is shared between the two organizations and has over 80 years of combined experience. In order to provide the best support to our members, our staff is also encouraged to pursue continuing education.

## **What's our story?**

In 1975, as Payment Associations were being established across the country, The Mid-Atlantic Clearing House Association, Inc. (MACHA) was founded as a nonprofit 501 (C)(6) in Maryland serving its members in the Mid-Atlantic region. Just a year later, in March of 1976, the Wisconsin Automated Clearing House Association (WACHA) was created as a nonprofit 501(C)(6) in Wisconsin.

Both of these membership-based organizations provided financial and business communities with electronic payments education and information. In 2011, the WACHA Board of Directors established a wholly owned subsidiary, Payment Advisory Resource (PAR), to be the delivery arm for services including compliance, advisory services, and risk management. We are here to help our members navigate the ever-changing payments landscape!

In 2020, MACHA and WACHA merged to become Macha, Inc. with the subsidiary PAR and continue to assist in implementation, problem solving, and marketing of all payments products and services to our over 500 members.

## Training formats

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No matter your learning style, Macha offers training options to suit your needs. Our training evolves alongside the payments industry, and, thanks to member feedback, it also evolves with you!

### Workshops and seminars

Macha's in-person training continues to be a popular source of payments education to members and nonmembers alike. Recognizing Macha's commitment to providing comprehensive training, we offer a wide variety of ACH, check, and card payment-related programs. Additionally, we sponsor sessions that cover a number of other relevant payment topics. These sessions are perfect for those who prefer a traditional classroom environment.

### Webinars

Macha is continuing to expand its webinar offerings. These alternative training opportunities offer a convenient way to deliver education and information to those who may not have the option of being out of the office for in-person training. Macha webinars are also a great solution for larger groups who want to attend training together. Further, our webinars offer the ability to learn while maintaining social distancing during the COVID-19 pandemic.

### Custom training (on-site and virtual)

Does Macha's education calendar conflict with your schedule? Would your staff benefit from customized payments training? If you answered, "yes", then our custom training options might be right for your organization. Macha will gladly provide tailor-made training to meet the needs of your personnel at your convenience!

### Payments Education Library

The Payments Education Library is training on your terms, designed to fit your goals and work into your schedule. Similar to webinars in format, these on-demand training courses are available 24/7 and can be accessed multiple times for training on your terms. The Payments Education Library consists of recorded training sessions on a variety of topics including ACH, origination, check, fraud, training for the frontline staff, and more. Sessions are led by Accredited ACH Professionals (AAP), National Check Professionals (NCP) and other industry experts. Most of the sessions are worth continuing education credits.

### Accreditation packages

Macha offers four different certification packages to assist in your pursuit of professional accreditation including Accredited ACH Professional (AAP), National Check Professional (NCP), Accredited Payments Risk Professional (APRP), and a pre-AAP ACH Certificate program. Visit page 5 for more information about each package or simply visit the education page on the Macha website.



## Suggested curricula

### Recommendations by job function

#### ACH operations staff

- ☐ 2022 and 2023 ACH Rules Update
- ☐ ACH and P2P Payments
- ☐ ACH Authorizations and Agreements
- ☐ ACH Basics for Operations Staff
- ☐ ACH File Formats
- ☐ ACH Origination: Roadmap to Success
- ☐ All About Audit! ACH Audits for RDFIs and ODFIs
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- ☐ Building an Effective Procedures Manual
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- ☐ Prepping for March Madness: The Elite 8 of Exception Handling Issues
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- ☐ RDFI and ODFI Roles & Responsibilities
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- ☐ Take a Look at the Green Book
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- ☐ To Return or Not to Return? Government Reclamations and DNEs
- ☐ Validate and Verify! The Proper Use of Micro-Entries and Prenotes
- ☐ What Could Go Wrong? Tax Refunds and ACH

#### Card/EFT operations staff

- ☐ Back to Basics: Payment Systems Overview
- ☐ Card Basics: Who, What, Where, When, Why
- ☐ Christmas in July: Card Fraud Never Dies
- ☐ It's Not Always About You: Consumer Protection with Reg E and Debit Cards
- ☐ Quick Start Guide to Payment System Regulations
- ☐ The Life Cycle of Card Disputes

#### Check operations staff

- ☐ Back to Basics: Payment Systems Overview
- ☐ Quick Start Guide to Payment System Regulations
- ☐ The ABCs of RDC
- ☐ The Rules and Regs of Checks
- ☐ You'd Better Check Yourself: Check Returns and Adjustments

#### Audit and compliance staff

All sessions listed under *ACH operations staff* and:

- ☐ Card Basics: Who, What, Where, When, Why
- ☐ Christmas in July: Card Fraud Never Dies
- ☐ It's Not Always About You: Consumer Protection with Reg E and Debit Cards
- ☐ The ABCs of RDC
- ☐ The Life Cycle of Card Disputes
- ☐ The Rules and Regs of Checks
- ☐ You'd Better Check Yourself: Check Returns & Adjustments

#### Branch and call center staff

- ☐ The Sound of ACH – Do, Re, Mi of ACH Basics for Branch and Call Center Staff



### Recommendations for professional accreditation

#### AAP

All sessions listed in the *ACH Operations* section and:

- ☐ AAP In-Person Examination Review

#### APRP

All Macha training and:

- ☐ APRP Webinar Series
- ☐ APRP Examination Review

#### NCP

All sessions listed in the *Check operations* section and:

- ☐ NCP Webinar Series
- ☐ NCP Examination Review



## Professional accreditation preparation programs

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### AAP Preparation Program

Any professional in the payments industry can work toward accreditation. If you have worked in ACH for years, you will add a highly respected qualification to your resume. If you are relatively new to the field, you will give yourself an edge over the competition. At a minimum, Nacha recommends spending two years working in the payments industry before taking the AAP exam.

**Macha's AAP Test Prep Package** includes the following publications in addition to registration for our 3-day in-person AAP examination review:

- 2022 Nacha Operating Rules and Guidelines
- AAP Flash Cards
- ACH Compliance Manual
- ACH Risk Management Handbook
- ACHPro™
- Electronic AAP Study Kit
- Third-Party Senders and the ACH Network (Nacha)
- Revised Uniform Commercial Code Article 4A and the ACH Network (Nacha)



**We guarantee that you'll pass the AAP exam with our AAP prep, or we'll reimburse your Nacha testing fee!** Simply participate in all of the required training to be eligible. We're the only Payments Association in the country that offers this type of guarantee.

Important dates: The AAP exam testing window is open from October 3 to October 29, 2022. Our **3-day AAP Examination Review sessions** will occur on September 28-30, 2022, in Maryland and September 14-16, 2022, in Wisconsin.

### ACH Certificate Program

Are you new to ACH? Have you been in ACH for a while and wish to expand your knowledge of electronic payments? Do you want to demonstrate your commitment to professionalism and maintain a competitive edge in the industry? Maybe you're not quite ready to jump into the AAP accreditation program. **Macha's ACH Certificate Package** will guide you on the path to the realization of your personal and professional goals.

The program consists of 10 on-demand webinars, each ending with a quiz and 1 exam per person. Let Macha help you advance your career and benefit your financial institution with your expertise. This Macha-sponsored certificate is meant to be a precursor to Nacha's AAP Accreditation.

## APRP Preparation Program

APRPs have mastered the complexities of risk management for ACH, check, wire, debit, credit and prepaid cards, and emerging and alternative payments. Any professional in the payments industry can work toward accreditation. If you have worked in payments for years, you will add a highly respected qualification to your resume. If you are relatively new to the field, you will give yourself an edge over the competition. At a minimum, Nacha recommends spending two years working in the payments industry before taking the APRP exam.

**Macha's APRP Test Prep Package** includes a series of 11 webinars, 2 open forum Q&A sessions, and a 1-day review session to prepare you for the APRP examination. Also included is a set of APRP Flash Cards. Topics covered include:

- Fundamentals of payments risk management.
- Payment systems.
- Payments risk policy and governance.
- Payments risk management systems and controls.
- Physical and information security; and the
- Regulatory environment.

Important dates: The APRP exam testing window is open from August 1 to August 27, 2022. Our webinar series begins on Wednesday, April 13, 2022, and our **APRP Examination Review** session is on July 18.



## NCP Preparation Program

Invest in your professional future by attaining your National Check Professional certification from ECCHO. Billions of check payments, valued at trillions of dollars, are processed every year. Becoming an NCP allows you to stay educated on industry trends, including image exchange rules and check regulations, while distinguishing yourself as a leader in your field.

**Macha's NCP Preparation Package** will ensure that you're prepared for the exam! This special package includes:

- 11 webinar training sessions that cover everything you'll need to know going into the exam.
- 2 virtual open forums.
- 1 in-person NCP exam review session.
- NCP Prep Flash Cards; and
- CheckPro™

Important dates: The NCP exam testing window is open from April 16 to May 7, 2022. Our webinar series begins on Tuesday, January 18, 2022, and our **NCP Examination Review** session is on April 5.





## Educational Package Plans



### Get your tickets to payments education!

Macha's Educational Package Plans offer the convenience and cost savings of making a one-time payment for an entire calendar year of training. Any staff member(s), from any department within your organization, may attend Macha training as defined in the plan purchased.

Educational Package Plans are a members-only benefit!

### Updated for 2022, our new Educational Package Plans now cover most\* of our training including:

- In-person workshops
- Webinars
- Payments University
- Fraud Day

*\* Exclusions include our annual conference, unclaimed property webinars, on-demand training from our library, and accreditation/certification programs.*

### Details and pricing

**Individual Plans** - Any one (1) employee may register for each eligible session. The registrant may be a different individual for each session (includes webinars).

- \$1,150 per year; \$1,050 for an additional plan.

**Group Plans** - Any five (5) employees may register for each eligible session. The registrants may be different individuals for each session. Includes five lines for webinars.

- \$3,250 per year



## Macha webinars

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Macha webinars are eligible under Educational Package Plans!\* Member pricing for webinars is \$175 for one line and \$35 for each additional line. Non-members pay \$350 per line.

*\*Some exclusions apply (certification programs, unclaimed property webinars)*

### Webinar descriptions

#### **January 6      The Sound of ACH: Do-Re-Mi of ACH Basics for Branch and Call Center Staff**

Let's start at the very beginning.... with ACH Basics! This session will provide your frontline staff with a non-technical overview of the ACH Network and provide answers to the most common questions asked by your account holders.

#### **January 27      2022 ACH Rules Update**

Let's get a jump on 2022! The ACH Network is constantly evolving and updating the Rules. Join us to hear what's happening in 2022 and the steps your organization needs to take to be prepared.

#### **February 10      What Could Go Wrong? Tax Refunds and ACH**

With a majority of tax refunds delivered via ACH each spring, financial institutions face the challenges associated with exception processing related to ACH tax refund payments. This session will help you ensure that your processing of ACH tax refunds is efficient and that it protects your financial institution from losses associated with incorrect handling of these types of payments.

#### **February 17      Are You Ready for Faster Payments?**

I want to go fast! Is your institution ready for faster payments? What exactly are they? In this session, we'll explore the myriad new and emerging payment types/networks and discuss the steps your institution should take to keep up!

#### **February 22      Prepping for March Madness: The Elite 8 of Exception Handling Issues**

Ever wonder why payments exceptions are always on the rebound? We don't want them to cause you to foul out of the game! During this session, we'll discuss the most frequently asked questions regarding check, card, and ACH exceptions to put you on the path to the championship.

#### **March 10      Quick Start Guide to Payment System Regulations**

The rules and regulations that govern the United States payments systems exist to protect both financial institutions and their account holders - and there are so many of them! This is your opportunity to learn about how the rules and regulations for ACH, checks, cards, and wire transfers intersect or diverge.

#### **March 24      The Life Cycle of Card Disputes**

Card disputes can take on a life of their own. There are dates to remember, credits in and out, chargeback rights, regulations.... Oh my! This session will give an in-depth look into the card dispute process from start to finish, with several examples of transactions and scenarios.

#### **March 30      To Return or Not to Return? Government Reclamations and DNEs**

The improper handling of Death Notification Entries (DNE) or Government Reclamations can expose financial institutions to potential significant dollar losses. This session will cover the proper procedures for handling ACH Government Reclamations and federal government ACH benefits received by deceased account holders.

**April 7                    ACH Origination: Roadmap to Success**

Have you been considering becoming an ODFI? Do you have concerns about staffing, risk management and more? Let us put your mind at ease! In this session we will explore the many benefits of becoming an Originating Depository Financial Institution, steps for getting started and tips for implementing a successful program. If done properly, ACH originations can be a valuable service for your institution and your account holders. Join us and let us put you on the road to success!

**April 21                    The Rules and Regs of Checks**

We have heard for years that checks are going away, and while their volume is decreasing, they are still a thriving payment option. As a result, learning all of the regulations and rules that affect check processing is still as important as ever. This session will examine what you need to know to maintain compliance.

**April 28                    R-E-S-P-E-C-T: Find Out What Reg E and the Nacha Rules Mean to YOU!**

Not all rules and regulations play nice with each other in the sandbox! How do we make sure we are respecting each rule when they might not always agree? This session will cover statement requirements, unauthorized transactions, error resolution, service fees, coverage, and much more.

**May 5                      ACH Basics for Operations Staff**

Whether you are new to ACH processing or it is your primary function at your financial institution, it is guaranteed to come across your desk often in the Operations Department! During this webinar, we will give an overview of all things ACH from the Operations perspective.

**May 10                    Take a Look at the Green Book**

The Green Book is your resource for processing all federal government ACH payments. It's critical that financial institutions understand the key differences between the Nacha Operating Rules and the Rules for processing federal government payments. We will take you through the Green Book from Enrollment to Contacts providing you with best practices for efficient processing.

**May 19                    Validate and Verify! The Proper Use of Micro-Entries and Prenotes!**

With Nacha's new WEB debit account validation rule in place, RDFIs can expect to see an increase in the number of micro-entries and prenotes received. Does your institution know your rights and obligations? In this session, we will explore the proper initiation and handling of micro-entries and prenotes. Properly handling these items can help to reduce the number of future exception items and reduce future headaches.

**June 7                     ACH and P2P Payments**

Some of the most common questions we receive at the Macha office pertain to consumer person-to-person (P2P) transfers via the ACH Network. Most often, questions have to do with fixing something that went wrong. These problems include fraud, incorrect account numbers, and buyer's remorse, all of which can result in financial losses for your organization. Don't miss this chance to learn about the unique features of P2P transfers via the ACH network.

**June 14                    Building an Effective Procedures Manual**

Do you possess the foundation needed for developing effective policies and procedures that are in accordance with Nacha operating rules? This session walks participants through the process of crafting an effective procedures manual that is comprehensive and easy to use. Basic ACH knowledge is a must for this session.

**June 23                    R07, R08 – Which One Should I Use?**

One of the most common ACH audit findings is the incorrect use of return reason codes. Fear not - help is on the way! Stop payments and revocation of authorization can be tricky to decipher. The session will cover authorization requirements for ACH, appropriate revocation, rules, and regulations for stop payments, and processing and returning ACH entries.

**July 12                    All About Audit! ACH Audits for RDFIs**

All financial institutions must conduct an annual ACH audit. This session focuses on the Nacha Operating Rules audit requirements and guidelines that are specific to Receiving Depository Financial Institutions (RDFIs).

**July 14                    All About Audit! ACH Audits for ODFIs**

If your financial institution originates ACH entries, your annual ACH audit expands to include your role as an Originating Depository Financial Institution (ODFI). This session will focus on the Nacha Operating Rules audit requirements and guidelines specific to ODFIs.

**July 21                    Christmas in July: Card Fraud Never Dies**

Even Santa can experience identity theft. Now's the time to make sure you are up to speed on current card fraud trends before the holiday shopping season is in full swing! We'll let you know about the latest card fraud schemes, the continuing evolution of detection, tools for prevention, and much more!

**August 11                ACH Authorizations and Agreements**

The Nacha Operating Rules mandate that ODFIs have agreements in place that bind Originators, Third-Party Senders and Third-Party Service Providers to the ACH Rules. Do you understand what these agreements really mean? The next step is to make sure that your Originators are getting their transactions properly authorized. This session will help to ensure that your financial institution is not exposed to undue risk due to lack of understanding or poorly crafted ACH agreements and that you are not the recipient of unnecessary fees due to your Originators not understanding the authorization requirements.

**August 18                You'd Better Check Yourself: Check Returns and Adjustments**

Even with today's electronic processing of checks, errors still occur. Learn the proper steps, codes, and timeframes for the timely and accurate processing of check adjustments. This session will highlight risks associated with improper handling of check adjustments, necessary steps to reduce financial losses, warranties and liabilities of check parties, and check processing regulations.

**August 23                Crack the Code! Breaking Down Return Reason Codes**

Are you sometimes unsure of the right return reason code to use? Do dishonored returns and contested dishonored returns have you scratching your head? In this session, we will cover all of the return, dishonored return, and contested dishonored return codes, and when they should appropriately be used. Knowing your rights and responsibilities under the Rules will help you reduce the risk of potential loss for your institution.

**September 13        Back to Basics: Payment System Overview**

Whether you are new to your financial institution or are looking for a refresher, this session is for you. We will walk through the basic information of all of the major payment systems you may encounter at your financial institution. We'll cover ACH, wire transfers, checks, debit cards, and new/emerging payment systems.

**September 20      The ABCs of RDC**

Remote and Mobile Deposit Capture (RDC) of checks allow for your account holders to keep their accounts with you, even when they move off to college and Grandma sends them a birthday check in the mail! We will be discussing differences between mobile and desktop services, risk mitigation, duplicate deposits, and much more.

**October 6              Risky Business – Keeping ACH Risk Under Control**

Who, What, When, Where and How? As an ODFI you must be able to answer these questions to effectively manage credit, operational, and fraud risks present in ACH Origination services. This session will focus on defining risks unique to ODFIs, explaining how these risks vary by the type of transactions originated, and outlining some of the best practices for risk management.

**October 18            It's Not Always About You: Consumer Protection with Reg E and Debit Cards**

Regulation E protects consumers with debit cards. While it doesn't always seem "fair" to financial institutions, it's crucial to follow the specific timeframes and requirements for the investigative process. Let's take a look at Reg E with regards to debit cards and examine the definition of unauthorized, consumer reporting timeframes, investigations, and frequently asked questions.

**October 27            The Art of Setting ACH Exposure Limits**

Setting exposure limits for your ACH Originators is a requirement of the Nacha Rules. However, there are no set guidelines on how this task should be accomplished. This session will explore the art, not science, of effectively setting limits for your ACH Originators.

**November 8           Card Basics: Who, What, Where, When, Why**

How do cards make your financial institution money? Why are there so many networks? Who is paying for the fees? This course will dive into the burning questions about cards and help you understand the card system and its participants.

**November 17        2023 ACH Rules Update**

Change is hard. So, let's get a jump on change for 2023! The ACH Network is constantly evolving and updating the Rules. Join us to hear what's happening in 2023 and the steps your organization needs to take to be prepared.

**November 29        Regulation E: What Does it Mean for Me?**

This session will walk through the Regulation, hitting the high points to get your financial institution on track to ensure Regulation E compliance. Real life examples are provided to demonstrate the regulation in action and provide you with the foundation to apply what you have learned. Lessen the uncertainty and join us for this look at Regulation E.

**December 6           PSA for BSA! BSA Basics for ACH**

All financial institutions are required to comply with the Bank Secrecy Act (BSA). The Bank Secrecy Act requires financial institutions to monitor account holder activity and report any suspicious activity. In this session we will explore what this means to your financial institution regarding your ACH program.

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## Payments Education Library



**The Payments Education Library** is training on your terms, designed to fit your goals and work into your schedule. Similar to webinars in length and format, these on-demand training courses are available 24/7 and can be accessed multiple times for training on your terms. The Payments Education Library consists of recorded training sessions on a variety of topics including ACH, Origination, Check, Fraud, training for the Frontline Staff and more. Sessions are led by Accredited ACH Professionals (AAP), National Check Professionals (NCP), and other industry experts. Many of the sessions include continuing education credits. Visit [macha.org](https://macha.org) for more information.



## 2022 Electronic Payments Conference

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**October 11-13 | Middleton, WI | Agenda and continuing education credits TBD**

We've scheduled our 2022 Conference for October 11-13. We're planning for this event to take place in-person; however, we are monitoring the COVID-19 situation actively and will conduct a virtual conference if need be.

At Macha's 2022 Electronic Payments Conference, you'll interact with and learn from industry experts on a number of timely payments topics. There will be ample opportunities to network with your peers and engage in stimulating conversations.

## Payments University

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### **Payments University Midwest**

August 15-16, 2022 | Wisconsin Dells, WI

### **Payments University Mid-Atlantic**

November 15-16, 2022 | Facility TBD, MD

Payments University is an intense, collegiate-style learning environment structured to provide holistic, concentrated payments education. Whether you are new to the payments industry or desire a higher-understanding of payments, the multi-track agenda provides targeted education through fundamental and advanced courses. All participants attend general sessions, then, everyone can choose which sessions to attend based on desired topics. Stay tuned for updates!

**Payments University is eligible under all 2022 Educational Package Plans!** Registration fees do not include meals (aside from lunch) or lodging.

## Fraud Day

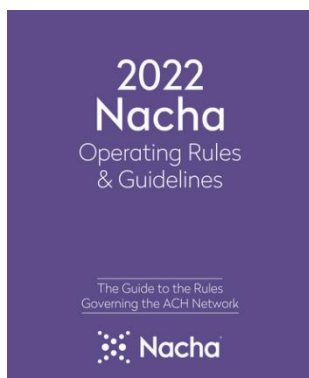
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Financial fraud generates billions of dollars annually for bad actors. Join us for this unique virtual event to hear the latest information on financial and cyber payments fraud. Final agenda to be announced. This event is ideal for Payments Operations staff, Fraud, Risk, Compliance Staff, AAPs, and APRPs.

## Payments publications

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**We offer a wealth of informative payments publications to guide you in your procedures, professional accreditation exam preparation, and much more.** Visit [www.macha.org](http://www.macha.org) to view and order from our full selection of products.



### **2022 NACHA Operating Rules & Guidelines**

Available in hard copy and two different digital formats!

### **Other publications include:**

- Audit and Risk Assessment Guides
- Handbooks
- Quick Reference Cards and Guides
- Exam Preparation Resources

## In-person workshops

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### Mid-Atlantic in-person training

The following sessions are Educational Package Plan eligible and will occur at a facility to be determined in central Maryland.

#### **July 20                      RDFI Roles & Responsibilities**

Have you ever wondered what the roles and responsibilities of the Receiving Depository Financial Institution (RDFI) are? If so, this full day session will define them and provide guidance on how to properly access incoming ACH transactions while adhering to ACH Rules.

#### **July 21                      ODFI Roles & Responsibilities**

Do you fully understand the roles and responsibilities of the OFDI? This full-day class will navigate you through a day at an OFDI to address specific origination risks, responsibilities, warranties, and obligations to help OFDI's make the right decisions as you establish relationships with originating companies.

#### **August 3                      Navigating and Tabbing Your ACH Rules Book**

How familiar are you with ACH rules? Would you like a better understanding so you can navigate the rules like a pro? In this session we will take a thorough look at the Nacha Operating Rules and Guidelines tab the book to help you create a tool to use in your day to day operations.

#### **August 4                      Federal Government Payments and ACH**

Do you know how to handle government returns, DNEs, or NOCs? Do you understand your liability for government payments posted in error? Why not gain insight into how Government payment rules differ from ACH rules to provide peace of mind that you have all the right answers. This session provides clarification on differences between rules, enrolling account holders for government payments, handling returns, NOCs, DNEs, and Reclamations.

#### **August 24                      ACH File Formats**

Are file formats creating processing errors for your financial institution? It is important to understand both the OFDI and RDFI file formats to minimize them. This session specifically addresses the information needed to create the perfect ACH file.

#### **August 25                      Regulation Review for the ACH Network**

This full day session will help you gain a better understanding of the legal side of ACH to include consumer protections provided by Regulation E, business protection provided by UCC4A, and the requirements of the Expedited Funds Availability Act (Regulation CC).



## Midwest in-person training

The following sessions are Educational Package Plan eligible and will occur at the Macha office in Germantown, Wisconsin.

### **July 26**                      **RDFI Roles & Responsibilities**

Have you ever wondered what the roles and responsibilities of the Receiving Depository Financial Institution (RDFI) are? If so, this full day session will define them and provide guidance on how to properly access incoming ACH transactions while adhering to ACH Rules.

### **July 27**                      **ODFI Roles & Responsibilities**

Do you fully understand the roles and responsibilities of the OFDI? This full-day class will navigate you through a day at an OFDI to address specific origination risks, responsibilities, warranties, and obligations to help OFDI's make the right decisions as you establish relationships with originating companies.

### **August 9**                      **Navigating and Tabbing Your ACH Rules Book**

How familiar are you with ACH rules? Would you like a better understanding so you can navigate the rules like a pro? In this session we will take a thorough look at the Nacha Operating Rules and Guidelines tab the book to help you create a tool to use in your day to day operations.

### **August 10**                      **Federal Government Payments and ACH**

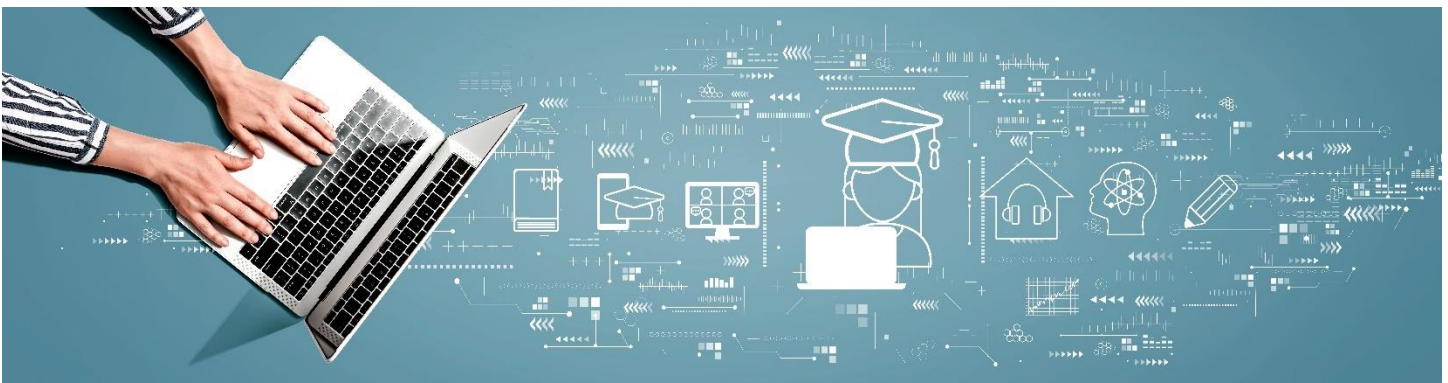
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### **August 30**                      **ACH File Formats**

Are file formats creating processing errors for your financial institution? It is important to understand both the OFDI and RDFI file formats to minimize them. This session specifically addresses the information needed to create the perfect ACH file.

### **August 31**                      **Regulation Review for the ACH Network**

This full day session will help you gain a better understanding of the legal side of ACH to include consumer protections provided by Regulation E, business protection provided by UCC4A, and the requirements of the Expedited Funds Availability Act (Regulation CC).



## Printable schedule

### January

1	New Year's Day	Holiday
6	The Sound of ACH – Do, Re, Mi of ACH Basics for Branch and Call Center Staff	Webinar
17	Birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.	Holiday
18	NCP Prep Webinar Series Begins	Important Date
27	2022 ACH Rules Update	Webinar

### February

7	Chat with the Audit Staff ( <i>Complimentary</i> )	Webinar
8	New Year! New Unclaimed Property Rules!	Webinar
10	What Could Go Wrong? Tax Refunds and ACH	Webinar
17	Are You Ready for Faster Payments?	Webinar
21	Presidents Day	Holiday
22	Prepping for March Madness: The Elite 8 of Exception Handling Issues	Webinar

### March

10	Quick Start Guide to Payment System Regulations	Webinar
24	The Life Cycle of Card Disputes	Webinar
30	To Return or Not to Return? Government Reclamations and DNEs	Webinar

### April

5	NCP Examination Review	Virtual
7	ACH Origination: Roadmap to Success	Webinar
13	APRP Prep Webinar Series Begins	Important Date
16	NCP Examination Window Opens	Important Date
21	The Rules and Regs of Checks	Webinar
28	R-E-S-P-E-C-T: Find Out What Reg E and the Nacha Rules Mean to YOU!	Webinar





## May

5	ACH Basics for Operations Staff	Webinar	
7	NCP Examination Window Closes	Important Date	
10	Take a Look at the Green Book	Webinar	
17	Ask the Experts: Unclaimed Property Compliance	Webinar	
19	Validate and Verify! The Proper Use of Micro-Entries and Prenotes	Webinar	
30	Memorial Day	Holiday	



## June

7	ACH and P2P Payments	Webinar	
14	Building an Effective Procedures Manual	Webinar	
20	Juneteenth National Independence Day (Observed)	Holiday	
23	R07, R08 – Which One Should I Use?	Webinar	



## July

4	Independence Day	Holiday	
12	All About Audit! ACH Audits for RDFIs	Webinar	
14	All About Audit! ACH Audits for ODFIs	Webinar	
20	RDFI Roles & Responsibilities	In-Person	Maryland
21	ODFI Roles & Responsibilities	In-Person	Maryland
21	Christmas in July: Card Fraud Never Dies	Webinar	
26	RDFI Roles & Responsibilities	In-Person	Wisconsin
27	ODFI Roles & Responsibilities	In-Person	Wisconsin



## August

1	APRP Examination Window Opens	Important Date	
3	Navigating and Tabbing Your ACH Rules Book	In-Person	Maryland
4	Federal Government Payments and ACH	In-Person	Maryland
9	Navigating and Tabbing Your ACH Rules Book	In-Person	Wisconsin
10	Federal Government Payments and ACH	In-Person	Wisconsin
11	ACH Authorizations & Agreements	Webinar	
15	Payments University Midwest – Day 1	In-Person	Wisconsin
16	Payments University Midwest – Day 2	In-Person	Wisconsin
18	You'd Better Check Yourself: Check Returns & Adjustments	Webinar	
23	Crack the Code! Breaking Down Return Reason Codes	Webinar	
24	ACH File Formats	In-Person	Maryland
25	Regulation Review for the ACH Network	In-Person	Maryland
27	APRP Examination Window Closes	Important Date	
30	ACH File Formats	In-Person	Wisconsin
31	Regulation Review for the ACH Network	In-Person	Wisconsin

## September

5	Labor Day	Holiday	
13	Back to Basics: Payment Systems Overview	Webinar	
14	AAP Examination Review Midwest	In-Person	Wisconsin
20	The ABCs of RDC	Webinar	
22	Fraud Day	Virtual	
29	AAP Examination Review Mid-Atlantic	In-Person	Maryland

## October

3	AAP Examination Window Opens	Important Date	
6	Risky Business – Keeping ACH Risk Under Control	Webinar	
10	Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples Day	Holiday	
11	2022 Macha Electronic Payments Conference (Pre-Conference)	In-Person	Wisconsin
12	2022 Macha Electronic Payments Conference – Day 1	In-Person	Wisconsin
13	2022 Macha Electronic Payments Conference – Day 2	In-Person	Wisconsin
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## November

8	Card Basics: Who, What, When, Where, Why	Webinar	
11	Veterans Day	Holiday	
15	Payments University Mid-Atlantic – Day 1	In-Person	Maryland
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24	Thanksgiving Day	Holiday	
29	Regulation E: What Does it Mean for Me?	Webinar	

## December

6	PSA for BSA! BSA Basics for ACH	Webinar	
13	2023 ACH Rules Update	Webinar	
26	Christmas Day (Observed)	Holiday	