Agency Integrator TECHNOTE

Inforce Data Feeds
Inforce Auto Receipting
Inforce Alerts





This TechNote describes the new **Inforce Feeds** that are available in **Agency Integrator**. You can now receive feeds of **Inforce** policy data from select carriers (John Hancock, Aviva, Prudential, and Zurich as of August 2013) and have the data update your system using the existing Auto Receipting functionality. Additionally, if a policy is in danger of lapsing, the **Inforce** data can trigger a warning in the Command Center of Agency Integrator.

As with all other carrier data feeds, we must make formal requests to the Carrier on your behalf before the data will appear in **Agency Integrator**. Consequently, if you want to have Inforce feeds set up for your agency, you will need to contact the **iPipeline AMS Help Desk** at 1-800-679-2220 or amssupport@ipipeline.com to get started. There is no fee for this service.

If you have any questions about using the new interface, please contact the **Help Desk** or your **Customer Account Manager**.

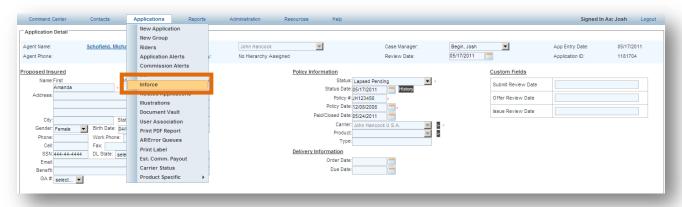
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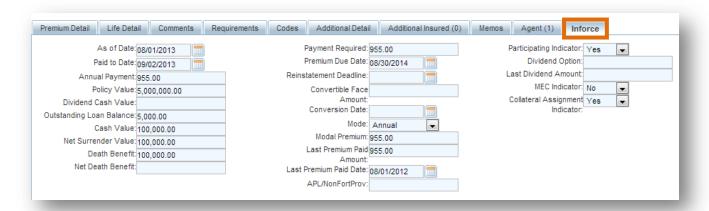


Viewing Inforce Data

To view **Inforce** data on an existing policy record in your system, search for the record from the **Application Search** screen, and then view the **Application Detail**.



Once inside the **Application Detail**, hover on the **Actions** menu and choose the **Inforce** option. The **Inforce Tab** will appear:

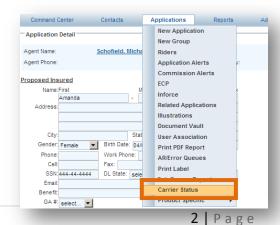


There are several fields available on the Inforce tab for you to use. You can either fill in the

information manually, or allow the carrier feed to update the data by turning on the **Auto Receipting** functionality discussed later in this TechNote.

Viewing Inforce Case Status

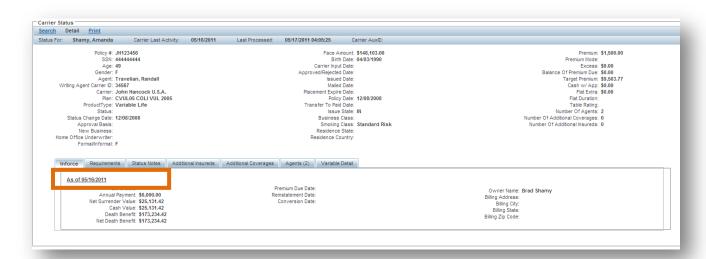
To view the status information as it has been fed from the carrier, choose the **Carrier Status** option from the **Actions** drop-down menu.



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The **Carrier Status** screen will appear:



When a policy is sent on an Inforce feed, two additional tabs of information will appear: **Inforce** and **Variable Detail** (if applicable). The Inforce tab will display the policy cash value, surrender value, and death benefit as of the date displayed on the tab.

The current agent(s) of record will be displayed on the **Agents** tab:

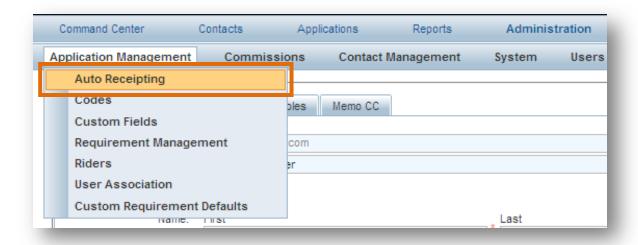


If the policy has Variable sub-accounts, the value of those accounts will be displayed on the **Variable Detail** tab (depending on Carrier):



Inforce Auto Receipting

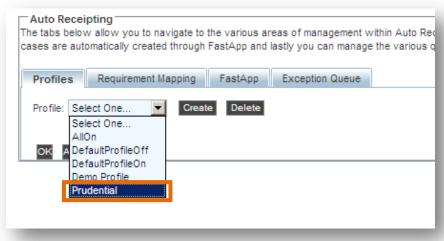
You now have options in the **Auto Receipting** module to control how Inforce data is fed into your system. To access **Auto Receipting**, click on **Administration** and choose **Auto Receipting** from the **Application Management** menu:



You may choose to create a brand new profile for the Inforce options, or you can choose an

existing profile from the list.

Once you choose an existing or **Create** a new profile, choose the **General Settings** tab:

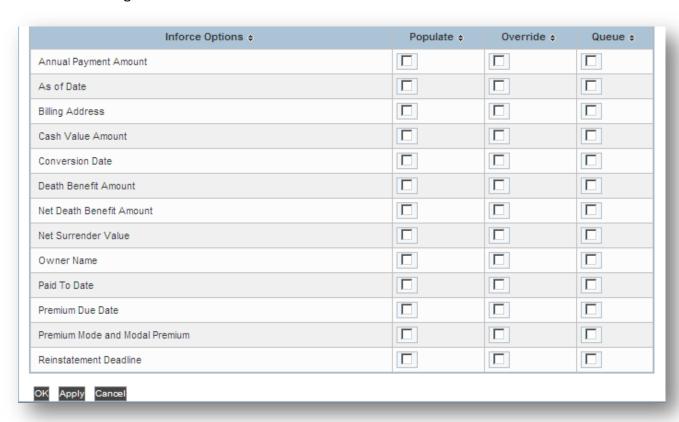




General Settings Tab

Scroll down to the bottom of the **General Settings** tab to see the **Inforce Options**. You will have three options to choose from:

- **Populate:** When selected, populate tells the system to enter data from the carrier status download into a field that you may have left blank during application entry. **Populate** only affects blank fields and ignores fields with existing data.
- **Override:** When selected, override tells the system to update existing data in these fields from the carrier status download. **Override** will allow populated fields to be updated to reflect the carrier status download information. Note that override only applies to fields that already contain data, and ignores any blank fields.
- Queue: When selected, queue tells the system that you would like to queue the data to be
 placed in the Auto Receipting Queue. From the Queue, each change is either manually
 approved by a user before the case is changed, or the user can decline the change from
 affecting the case.



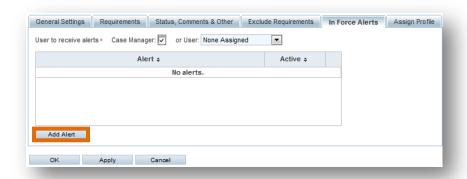
Click **Apply** to save your changes, or click **OK** to save and exit.



In Force Alerts Tab

Next, click on the **In Force Alerts** tab. The customizable alerts will allow you to control how alerts on In Force cases will be received. You have the ability to create alerts like **Lapse Pending** and/ or **Premium Overdue** it will send to the case manager's command center on the affected case if case manager box is checked. You can also take advantage of some predefined alerts created by John Hancock. See the **Predefined Alerts and Reports** section later in this document. If you select a user from the drop down it will only go to the selected user, and not the case manager's command center.

Important Note: If the **Case Manager** option is selected but there no case manager on the case, the Comment will show from **General** on the Comments tab and will NOT appear in the command center.



Creating a New In Force Alert

To create a new **In Force Alert**, select **Add Alert**. The **Alert** window will appear:



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Terminated Date	Not Selected	▼ 0			
Paid to Date	Not Selected	▼ 0			
Expected Lapse Date		• 0			
Conversion Date	Not Selected	• 0			
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Carrier Case Status*	Payment Modes	Payment Methods	Lines of Business	LOB Sub-Type	
Active (inforce)	Annual	Bank Draft	Annuity	7,1	
Extended Term	Monthly	Credit Card	Disability		
		Direct Bill			
Lapse Pending	Other	Dividends on Deposit			
Lapsed	Quarterly	Electronic Funds	Life		
Paid-Up	Semi-Annual	Gov Allotment	Life Settlement		
Reduced Paid-Up	Single Premium	List Bill	Long-term Care		
OK Cancel					

First, you will be required to add an Alert **Name**. You can use a naming scheme that coincides with the carrier name the Alert applies to. The name of the alert will show in the command center.

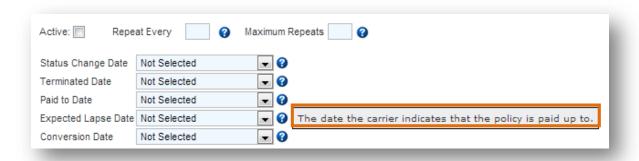
The **Active** checkbox will determine whether or not this alert is turned on. Check the box to activate the alert.

The **Repeat Every** ___ **Days** field can be populated to determine if and how often the alert you are creating should be repeated. The alert will be repeated every (x) number of days, as long as the case meets the specified alert criteria.

The **Maximum Repeats** field can be populated to turn this Alert off after the specified number of repeats.

Tip: Hover over the icon next to each date field to get definitions of the fields to better assist you in defining your alerts:





The available date fields correspond to fields on the **Inforce** tab on the Application, and can be populated to determine when and how often certain alerts should appear:

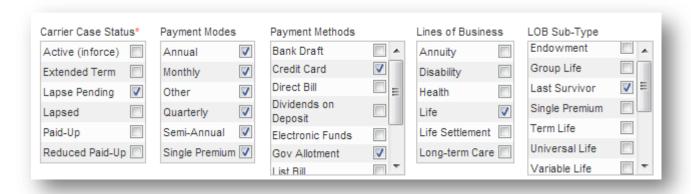
- **Status Change Date**: The date the carrier indicates the status was last changed for the policy.
- **Terminated Date**: The date the carrier indicates that the policy is no longer in force. This date is from today back **X** amount of days.
- Paid to Date: The date to which the policy is currently paid.
- **Expected Lapse Date**: Date the policy is expected to lapse.
- **Final Conversion Date:** How many days you will be notified before the Conversion Date for the policy

The other boxes on the Alert screen: **Carrier Case Status**, **Lines of Business**, **Payment Modes**, and **Payment Methods** are used to include criteria to further define the alert. Including unnecessary criteria in these boxes will negatively impact the performance of the alert.

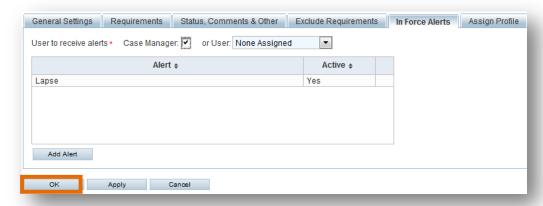
Tip: Checking selections between the boxes indicate "AND" statements. Checking selections within the boxes indicates "OR" statements. In the example below, the alert will fire if:

- the case is in a Lapse Pending Status
- AND has a Payment Mode of Annual OR Monthly OR Quarterly OR Semi-Annual OR Single Premium
- AND has a Payment Method of Credit Card OR Gov Allotment
- AND in the Life Line of Business
- AND in the Last Survivor LOB Sub-Type





Click **OK** to save, once you've made all your selections.



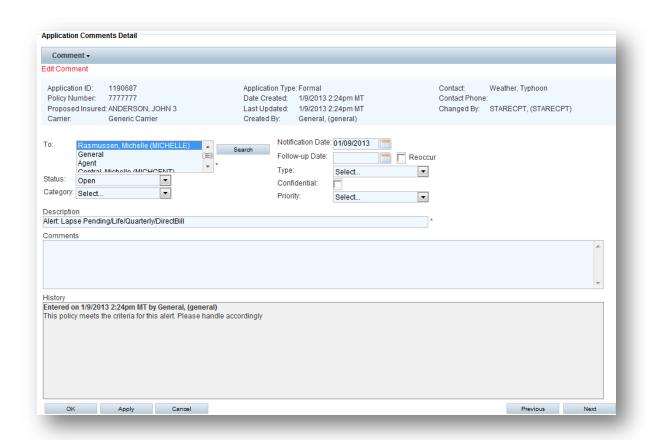
Receiving the In Force Alert in the Command Center

Now the In Force Alert will show in the **Command Center** when a case meets the criteria of the Alert that was created.



Right click and select Edit on the alert from the Command Center to open the Comment.





Application Comments fed by Inforce feeds behave like comments added manually by the case manager. You can choose to append to the comment, complete the comment, or defer the **Notification Date**. Please see the **Applications User Manual** for more instructions on how to interact with **Comments**.

Predefined Alerts and Reports

John Hancock has created some predefined Alerts and Reports that can be turned on to receive desired notifications from the Carrier, rather than having to create your own.

The following Alerts are available:

- Policy has a final conversion date within the next 9 months (John Hancock)
- Policy has premium(s) overdue (John Hancock)
- Policy has premium(s) overdue (Monthly) (John Hancock)
- Policy lapsed to Extended Term or Reduced Paid Up (John Hancock)
- Policy Status is Lapse Pending or Lapsed (John Hancock)



The following Legacy Reports are available:

- John Hancock Inforce Term Conversion
- John Hancock Premium Overdue
- John Hancock Lapsed/Lapsed Pending

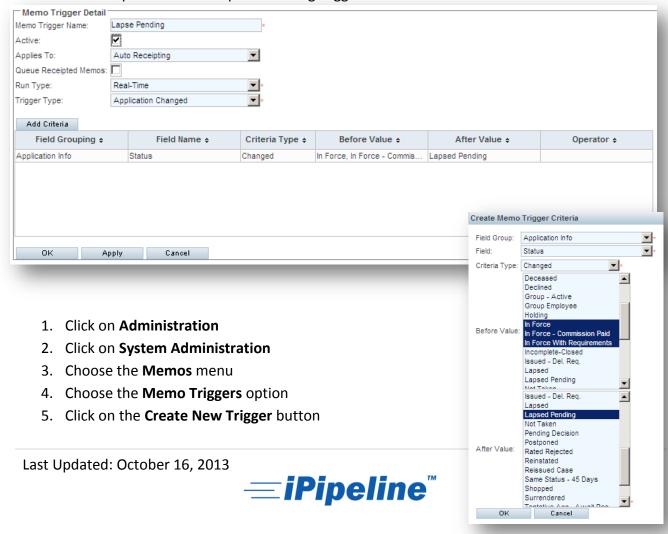
To turn on these predefined Alerts and Reports, contact your Customer Account Manager or the AMS Help Desk at amssupport@ipipeline.com.

Lapse Pending Memo Triggers

When **Inforce** case information is fed into the system, and a case is flagged as **Lapsed Pending** on the feed, the status of the case will also change to a new system status called **Lapsed Pending**.

As such, you can use the **Memos** functionality in the system to create communication that can automatically be sent to the agent when a case enters this status. To do this, you must create a Memo to communicate this information—see the **Memos Administration Guide** for more details on how to create a Memo. Once the Memo has been created, you can then create a **Memo Trigger** that will automatically send a Memo once the **Lapsed Pending** criteria has been met.

Here are the steps to create a Lapsed Pending trigger:



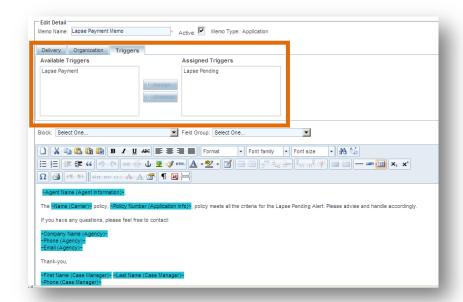
- 6. Once inside the **Memo Trigger** creation screen choose these options:
 - a. Active
 - b. **Applies To: Auto Receipting**. You can choose "Both" if you want the memo to be sent when a user changes this information manually
 - c. Run Type: Real-Time
 - d. Trigger Type: Application Changed
- 7. Then, click the Add Criteria button and make the following choices:
 - a. Field Group: Application Info
 - b. Field: Status
 - c. Criteria Type: Changed
 - d. Before Value: Choose the Inforce statuses that your agency uses
 - e. After Value: Choose Lapsed Pending
 - f. Click OK
- 8. Finally, save your trigger by clicking the **OK** button once more

Once you have created a trigger, you can then attach it to a Memo of your choice by doing the following:

- 1. Click on Administration
- 2. Click on System

Administration

- 3. Choose the **Memos** menu
- 4. Choose the **Memos** suboption
- 5. Choose the **Memo** from the list
- On the Memo Detail screen choose the Triggers tab
- 7. Assign the Lapsed Pending Trigger to the memo
- 8. Click OK



For more information, please consult the **Memos Administration** guide.

