

CASE STUDY

Regional Hospital





SITUATION

- Regional hospital had been attempting to automate payments for approximately seven years with a traditional bank.
- During this 7-year time span, only 10% of their payables volume had been moved to credit cards or ACH.
- As a result of the failed conversion rate, hospital estimated they had suffered losses of approximately \$56,000 due to their known costs associated with more manual methods of payment disbursement.
- Hospital challenged Juvo to help optimize cost savings through automation, to find greater system efficiencies, and to help generate cash flow through better vendor acceptance of virtual card payments.



INITIAL FINDINGS

- Estimated growth of spend on virtual card alone: 75%
- Bank had classified at their own discretion, more than 50% of current card payments as Large Ticket Interchange transactions. This classification, which the hospital was not aware of, had resulted in a significant loss of revenue from a rebate standpoint.
- Only 10% of suppliers had been actively pursued with the intent of getting them to accept electronic payment.



THE RESULT

• Juvo presented two supplier options to this hospital. Having jointly vetted the terms and conditions of each provider, the hospital chose a supplier with a slightly lower rebate on card purchases, but with a well-defined plan to ensure maximum participation in the program by suppliers.



THE BOTTOM LINE

• Hospital is now realizing a \$486,000 per year net benefit.

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CASE STUDY Regional Hospital: Extended Study





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When Juvo first began discussions with this regional hospital, they were still trying to make the most of a bank sponsored virtual card program. The amount of check "spend" converted to virtual card had been significantly less than they believed would be achieved, and therefore, the finance department had been left feeling underwhelmed by the entire process as they were still initiating most payments by check.

In addition to the low conversion rate from check to card, their card rebates were significantly less than expected because they agreed to a tiered rebate schedule which carried a much lower rebate when categorizing certain suppliers as Large Ticket Items according to the bank's criteria. Initial discussions revealed that they felt there was still an opportunity to reduce costs by minimizing the number of checks they were initiating in favor of lower cost electronic payments, but their bank had fallen short in assisting them with further efforts to move providers to virtual card and ACH.

INITIAL FINDINGS



After a recommendation from another CFO, this hospital engaged Juvo to perform an audit of their existing A/P environment with the intent of providing an independent assessment of the effectiveness of the virtual card program, and to provide recommendations on how to maximize rebates on spend which had already been converted to virtual card while also converting more check related payments to electronic payments.

Once engaged, Juvo reviewed the company's master vendor file and created a report identifying suppliers who remained a good fit for conversion to electronic payment, detailed the underlying reasons why the virtual card program had not converted suppliers to electronic payments, quantified the lost opportunity cost of the virtual card program, and provided a framework for successful completion of the conversion to electronic payments. Additionally, Juvo determined that the bank estimates of what spend could be converted to virtual payments were overly optimistic and based on the bank's minimal understanding of vendor enrolment. When combined with a tiered rebate structure that was applied to approximately half of the converted spend, there was simply no chance of the hospital achieving the level of success they initially envisioned by working with the bank.

THE RESULT

As Juvo works with a variety of suppliers within the e-payables space, we were able to recommend a supplier more focused on e-payables than the traditional bank that had been used previously. As an example of this need for a singular focus, the bank had actively engaged with only 10% of suppliers, relying on mostly ineffective, passive engagement via physical mail for the vast majority of suppliers. Consequently, there was an opportunity to engage with more than 3,800 card capable suppliers who were unaware that the hospital was interested in paying them electronically – by either card or ACH.



This company combined the supplier enablement and file processing services to create an electronic payment enablement solution guaranteed to convert 75% of their check payments to electronic payments in less than 90 days. Additionally, the solution guaranteed to successfully convert a minimum of 30% of the company's check spend with targeted suppliers to virtual card during the same 90 day period.

The company increased the number of checks converted to electronic payments by an additional 72% as a result of this engagement. The hospital increased the check spend converted to virtual card by more than 100%.



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