

VITA/TCE Intake/Interview and Quality Review Handbook

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SPEC MISSION

Stakeholder Partnerships, Education and Communication (SPEC) mission is to help taxpayers satisfy their tax responsibilities by building and maintaining partnerships with key stakeholders, seeking to create and share value by informing, educating, and communicating with our shared customers.

PURPOSE

This publication is designed to help SPEC partners and employees understand the process of conducting effective intake/interview and quality reviews. All coordinators and volunteers who answer tax law questions, instruct tax law classes, prepare or correct tax returns, and/or conduct quality reviews of completed tax returns will use this publication for instructions on these three processes. All volunteers must understand the processes required to prepare a tax return from start to finish.

CHAPTER 1: Introduction

Each taxpayer using the services offered through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) programs should be confident they are receiving accurate return preparation and quality service. The three vital components of providing quality service and accurate tax return preparation are starting the process with an effective intake, interviewing the taxpayer, and finishing with a quality review of the tax return.

1-1: Benefits of a Complete Intake/Interview and Quality Review:

Benefits to the taxpayer

- · Receives timely refunds
- Prevents IRS notices/contacts
- Calculates balances owed correctly

- · Reduces e-file reject rates
- Reduces the need for amended returns
- Enhances taxpayer understanding of their tax return

Benefits to the volunteer

- Reduces tax preparer anxiety by knowing someone else is going to review the return
- Increases volunteer confidence through feedback
- Builds valuable volunteer skills through on-thejob training
- Raises volunteer morale
- Fosters teamwork

Benefits to the site

- Reduces e-file reject rates
- Ensures compliance with the ten Quality Site Requirements
- Enhances reputation with the community served by the site
- Increases productivity by reducing the need for amended returns
- Improves ability to qualify for grants
- Improves volunteer confidence and retention

Benefits to the VITA/TCE program

- Maintains positive public perception about the quality and value of VITA/TCE return preparation
- Identifies potential enhancements to the software

1-2: Required Intake/Interview and Quality Review Training

All new and returning volunteer instructors, coordinators, return preparers, and quality reviewers must take Publication 5101, VITA/TCE Intake/Interview and Quality Review Training and pass the Intake/Interview and Quality Review certification test. Also, all instructors, coordinators, return preparers, quality reviewers and other volunteers including greeters, screeners and client facilitators who assist taxpayers in completing Form 13614-C, or assign tax returns to VITA/TCE preparers must pass the Intake/Interview and Quality Review certification test. Please refer to Publication 5101, VITA/TCE Intake/Interview and Quality Review Training, available in Link & Learn Taxes and on IRS.gov.

The passing score is 80% or higher. The online test can be found on Link & Learn Taxes (LLT). Volunteers who prefer the certification test on paper utilizing <u>Form 6744</u>, VITA/TCE Volunteer Assistor's Test/Retest, may continue to complete the test using this method but must transcribe their answers to the online test in LLT.



Only tax law certified volunteers can answer tax law questions during intake and interview processes.

Form 13614-C, Intake/Interview and Quality Review Sheet

Form 13614-C is redesigned to be more user-friendly and to increase conversation with taxpayer. The revised form provides additional space for taxpayer and preparer comments:

- Question added asking if "In the U.S. on a visa". Refer to Publication 4012, Tab L for more information.
- New on pages 2 and 3 is a gray area to be answered by the tax preparer during the interview. This section of the form has a "Notes/Comments" column on the far right hand side to leave notes for the preparer and quality reviewer. Tax preparer must indicate by placing "No", "N/A", a check mark, or other comments next to each question to show it has been addressed with the taxpayer.
- Race and ethnicity section has been completely revamped to comply with new federal guidelines on collecting this data. All sites must use <u>Form 13614-C</u> for every tax return prepared and reviewed by IRS-tax law certified volunteers. Form 13614-C guides the preparer through the interview with the taxpayer and allows them to gather all necessary information for accurate return preparation. The volunteer uses the completed tax return, the taxpayer's supporting documentation, and the completed Form 13614-C to verify the tax return is free from error.



Partners may ask additional questions on the Form 13614-C but cannot create their own version of this form.

1-3: Due Diligence

By law, tax return preparers must exercise due diligence in preparing or assisting in the preparation of tax returns. SPEC defines due diligence as the degree of care and caution reasonably expected from and ordinarily exercised by, a volunteer in the VITA/TCE program. This means, as a volunteer, you must do your part when preparing or quality reviewing a tax return to ensure the information on the return is correct and complete.

Doing your part includes confirming a taxpayer's (and spouse, if married filing jointly) identity and providing top-quality service by helping them understand and meet their tax responsibilities. Generally, IRS-tax law certified volunteers may rely in good faith on information from a taxpayer without requiring documentation as verification.

Due diligence also requires you to ask a taxpayer to clarify information that may appear to be inconsistent or incomplete. When reviewing information for accuracy, you need to ask yourself if the information is unusual or questionable. If at any time you become uncomfortable with the information provided by the taxpayer, you should not prepare the tax return and inform the site coordinator of the reason for not preparing the tax return.

1-4: VITA/TCE Program Scope of Service

While completing the intake and interview process, verify that the tax return is within the scope of the VITA/ TCE program and the volunteer's certification level. If a volunteer has not been trained on an in-scope tax law topic, that topic is out of scope for that volunteer. Refer to the Scope of Service chart listed in Publication
4012, VITA/TCE Volunteer Resource Guide and if a Tax-Aide site also review Document 13170, Quality Site Requirements (QSR) Applicable to AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Sites for SPEC employees.



When using the Scope of Service chart in Publication 4012, please note that column 3 (titled: In Scope?) does not stand alone. Additional information contained in columns 4 and 5 (titled: Scope Limitations and Certification Levels) may include topics or additional certification levels that affect whether volunteers may or may not prepare the return under the provisions of the Volunteer Protection Act.

If the return is not within the scope of VITA/TCE, explain to the taxpayer they must seek assistance from a professional preparer. Avoid a conflict of interest by not suggesting any specific professional preparer. This includes professional preparers associated with a volunteer, any other specific individual, or organization connected to the VITA/TCE site. If the tax return does not fall within the volunteer's certification level, refer the taxpayer to another IRS-tax law certified volunteer preparer with the appropriate certification level or to another site that prepares returns at that certification level. Verifying whether a taxpayer's return can be prepared at the start of the intake and interview process ensures no taxpayer is erroneously turned away from the site or that an out-of-scope return is prepared when it should not be.

For prior year tax returns, taxpayers must complete one current year Form 13614-C, Intake/Interview and Quality Review Sheet, to have their prior year tax return prepared. During the interview and quality review processes, the volunteer preparer and quality reviewer must refer to the applicable prior year Form 13614-C for the tax return being prepared. This ensures that the prior year tax return is within scope for the VITA/TCE program, a volunteer with the appropriate certification level is assigned to complete the tax return and credits and deduction are not overlooked. For more information see Publication 4012.

1-5: Additional Requirements for Virtual VITA/TCE Model

Virtual VITA/TCE models require the use of <u>Form 14446</u>, Virtual VITA/TCE Taxpayer Consent, in addition to the Form 13614-C. During the intake process, the volunteer must explain the virtual method(s) and step-by-step procedures to the taxpayer. Taxpayer (and spouse if married filing joint) must sign Form 14446 before leaving behind any documents at a VITA/TCE. For more information on Form 14446, refer to <u>Publication</u> 5450, VITA/TCE Site Operations.



Taxpayer chooses virtual process offered by site for return preparation. Before the intake process begins the volunteer reviews the site virtual process as listed on Form 14446 with the taxpayer. This review includes explaining page 3, taxpayer consent to have their return reviewed for accuracy. Taxpayer will select "Yes" or "No" on page 3. Volunteer explains to taxpayer their selection to this question does not impact their ability to receive service at the site. The consent question determines if an IRS employee can review their tax return when visiting the site for accuracy. Taxpayer (and spouse if married filing jointly) signs the virtual consent disclosure on page 3 of Form 14446 before leaving any documents at site and the volunteer continues with the intake process.

1-6: Maintaining Form 13614-C

After the return is complete, the Form 13614-C can be returned to the taxpayer with their copy of the return, or the site/partner may retain the Form 13614-C until the return has been accepted but no later than December 31 of the return preparation year. For guidance on secure storage and proper disposal of taxpayer information, refer to **Publication 4299** Privacy, Confidentiality, and Civil Rights - A Public Trust.

If partners keep the Form 13614-C for anything other than tax return preparation, they must secure taxpayer approval and obtain a signed consent to use and consent to disclose. Taxpayers are required to sign the consents which must include specific information as described in the Internal Revenue Code section 7216. For more information and guidance on preparing written consents and safeguarding taxpayer data refer to Publication 5471, Disclosure and Use of Tax Information – Internal Revenue Code (IRC) 7216 Requirements for VITA/TCE Partners.

CHAPTER 2: Intake Process

The Intake Process:



Only Intake/Interview and Quality Review certified greeters, screeners and client facilitators can assist taxpayers in completing Form 13614-C and assign tax returns to VITA/TCE tax return preparers.

Step 1: Greet the taxpayer: Introduce yourself to the taxpayer to establish an open line of communication.

Step 2: Explain the Intake, Interview, and Quality Review processes so that taxpayers understand that they are expected to:

- Complete Form 13614-C prior to having the return prepared
- Be interviewed by the return preparer and answer additional questions as needed
- Participate in a quality review of their tax return by someone other than the return preparer

Step 3: Ensure the taxpayer has everything the tax preparer needs to prepare the tax return. This is important because it ensures the volunteer and taxpayer's time is efficiently utilized, and the tax preparation process isn't interrupted due to missing paperwork. The volunteer working in the intake area should:

- Make sure the taxpayer (and spouse, if married filing jointly) has original photo identification with them to
 prove their identity to the return preparer and the quality reviewer. Verify both spouses are at the site that
 day if filing a joint tax return (see Publication 4299, Privacy, Confidentiality, and Civil Rights A Public
 Trust for limited exceptions).
- Verify taxpayer has SSN cards and/or ITIN letters, or other acceptable verification, for everyone on the tax return.
- Ask the taxpayer if they have received and brought all their tax documents, such as Form W-2, and Form 1099-R, etc.



Confirm that the taxpayer meets the site's scope of service.



During the intake and interview process, only an IRS-tax law certified volunteer can review, correct, and/or clarify tax related information.

Step 4: Provide the taxpayer Form 13614-C, Intake/Interview and Quality Review Sheet or Form 13614-NR, Nonresident Alien Intake and Interview Sheet. Form 13614-C, is a tool designed to assist IRS-tax law certified volunteers ask questions to obtain the information needed to prepare an accurate tax return. It is similar to what is required when a taxpayer visits a professional tax preparer or uses tax preparation software. IRS quality reviews indicate that tax return accuracy is improved when Form 13614-C is used correctly with an effective interview of the taxpayer.

Page 4 of intake sheet is optional for the taxpayer to complete. Only input into the tax software the questions answered by the taxpayer and leave all unanswered questions blank in the software.

Form 13614-C is available in 23 languages. Sites should provide the form in the languages of the taxpayers they serve. The translated forms can be printed from IRS.gov.



Verify all questions that apply to the taxpayer are completed. Look for unanswered questions on page 1. Compare taxpayer documents to the selections made on pages 2 and 3 to ensure each applicable question is answered. Let the taxpayer know if any documents are missing based on their answers on these pages.



Common reasons that additional assistance from an IRS-tax law certified volunteer may be needed:

If taxpayers	Then an IRS-tax law certified volunteer should
Cannot complete the form for any reason	Fill out the form by asking them the questions and recording their answers.
State they do not understand a question	Explain the question and assist the taxpayer with answering the question
Have income, expenses, or life events not listed on Form 13614-C, which might indicate an out-of-scope tax return	Review the information and determine if the return is within scope for the site requirements and volunteers' certification levels.

Global Carry Forward Consent

Page 6 of Form 13614-C contains the Global Carry Forward consent (Form 15080, Consent to Disclose Tax Return Information to VITA/TCE Tax Preparation Sites) that authorizes information sharing between VITA/TCE sites via TaxSlayer Pro Online. Global Carry Forward allows the software provider to make the taxpayer's tax return information available to any active volunteer site participating in the VITA/TCE program. The taxpayer grants permission for Global Carry Forward by signing the consent. If the taxpayer does not sign a paper consent, then the taxpayer must enter his or her own PIN in the tax preparation software.

Based on IRC 7216, if the return preparer is entering the consent PIN and date into the tax preparation software, the taxpayer must sign and date a paper consent form before you enter the consent PIN and date. If consent is granted, the tax return populates with their prior year data, regardless of which VITA/TCE site filed their tax return previously. Whether the taxpayer decides to grant or deny Global Carry Forward, it has no effect on the service they receive during their visit to the site.

Step 5: Determine the certification level required for the tax return

A greeter who has passed the Intake/Interview and Quality Review certification test can usually determine the required certification needed for the tax return based on the questions answered on the Form 13614-C by the taxpayer. When a greeter is not available or tax law clarification is needed, an IRS-tax law certified volunteer goes through similar steps before starting the tax return preparation.

The volunteer assigning or selecting the tax return for preparation must understand how to identify the certification level required for that return. Pages 2 and 3 of Form 13614-C, as shown in below example, identify the required tax law certification level for each question. The levels are identified as B (Basic), A (Advanced), and M (Military).

Certification level required for some questions depends on the issue or document the taxpayer provides. Refer to the Scope of Service chart in Publication 4012. For example: B/A next to a question means it may only require Basic tax law certification in some situations and in other situations the same topic will require Advance tax law certification.

Answer the following questions on this page and the next page about you and your spouse's tax situation											
Received money from any of the following in 2024:	Income to be included (To be completed by certified volunteer)										
(B) Wages as a part-time or full-time employee	(B) W-2s Number of forms										
How many jobs											
(B/A) Tips	(B/A) Tips (basic when reported on W2)										
(B/A) Retirement account, pension or annuity proceeds	(B/A) 1099-R (basic when taxable amount is reported)										
(B) Disability benefits	Number of forms										
(B) Social Security or Railroad Retirement Benefits	(B) SSA-1099, RRB-1099										
(B) Unemployment benefits	(B) 1099-G Number of forms										
(B) Refund of state or local income tax	☐ Did you receive a refund of state or local taxes ☐ Yes										
	□ Did you itemize last year □ Yes										
(B) Interest or dividends (bank account, bonds, etc.)	(B) 1099-INT/DIV Number of forms										
(A) Sale of stocks, bonds or real estate	(A) 1099-B Number of forms (include										
Did you report a loss on last year's return ☐ Yes ☐ No	brokerage statement)										
(B) Alimony	(B) Alimony Amount \$										
	Excluded from income										
(M) Income from renting out your house or a room in your house	(M) Rental income										
If yes, did you use the dwelling unit as a personal residence and rent it for few than 15 days											
rent it for few than 15 days Yes No Income from renting personal property such as a vehicle											

Step 6: Assign tax return to an IRS-tax law certified volunteer preparer

If the certification level of the tax return cannot be determined by the volunteer they must seek assistance to decide if the taxpayer's return can be prepared at the site. The final decision will be based on a combination of the site's return preparation policy and Scope of Service chart listed in Publication 4012. This ensures taxpayers are not mistakenly turned away from the site.



A taxpayer completes Form 13614-C, checking the box next to the question, "Have a health savings account (HSA)" The certification level next to this question is A (Advanced). All other checked questions show the certification level B (Basic). Because of the need for HSA knowledge, the taxpayer must be assigned to a volunteer who is certified in the Advanced course.

Every site is **required** to have a process for assigning taxpayers to volunteer preparers who are certified at or above the level required to prepare their return. The method for identifying certification levels of volunteers can include indicators on name badges, stickers, nameplates, or other partner-created products. Having the volunteers' certification level easy to identify helps the coordinator or whomever is responsible for assigning tax returns.



SPEC has an optional ID badge (Form 14509, VITA/TCE Volunteer ID Insert) that can be used for this purpose, or the site can use its own method to satisfy this requirement.

CHAPTER 3: Interview Process

The Interview Process

Only IRS-tax law certified volunteers may interview the taxpayer. The basic steps are:

Step 1: Confirm Photo Identification and Taxpayer Identification Numbers (TIN)

Verify the identity of the taxpayer (and spouse, if married filing jointly) using an original government-issued photo ID and confirm Social Security numbers (SSN) or individual taxpayer identification numbers (ITIN) according to rules listed in Publication 4299, Privacy, Confidentiality, and Civil Rights – A Public Trust. See Quality Site Requirement (QSR) #3 in Publication 5166, VITA/TCE Volunteer Quality Site Requirements for more information.

• Exception for validating identity for taxpayers known to the site: The site coordinator has the discretion to grant an exception to the requirement to provide a valid form of identification and/or the requirement to provide proof of taxpayer identification number if the taxpayer is known to the site. The definition of "known to the site" refers only to a taxpayer that frequently visits the same site every year for tax return preparation and is known to the site coordinator and the volunteers at the site. Just because a taxpayer's return was prepared at a site in a prior year, it does not automatically qualify as "known to the site". Only the site coordinator has the authority to approve these exceptions.



Each site determines the process for obtaining a Site Coordinator's approval of a "known to the site" exception. Once the exception is approved, a suggestion is for the site coordinator to note the approval on Form 13614-C and initial.



Known to the site: Larry goes to the local VITA/TCE site to have his taxes prepared and forgot his Social Security card. Larry has been a client at this site for several years and knows the site coordinator. The volunteer at the intake desk asks for Larry's Social Security card. Larry doesn't have it. The volunteer gets approval for Larry to be covered under Known to the Site from the site coordinator as the site coordinator knows Larry. The site coordinator notes and initials the exception in the Additional Comments section on Form 13614-C, Intake/Interview and Quality Review Sheet.



Not known to the site: Sally and her spouse goes to the local VITA/TCE site to have their taxes prepared. They forgot their identification and Social Security cards. The coordinator does not know Sally nor her spouse. The known to site exception doesn't apply and the couple must return home to bring back their identifications and Social Security cards.

 Partners and coordinators may have stronger requirements for validating proof of identity and verifying a TIN. If there is an increase in identity theft returns at a particular site, IRS may require additional steps to deter this activity.

Step 2: Review Form 13614-C

Ensure the taxpayer answered all questions on Form 13614-C, page 1. Confirm that the boxes are checked on pages 2 and 3 related to the taxpayers' tax forms. Verify each of the taxpayer's responses on the form. All unchecked boxes on pages 1 through 3 of the form must be addressed. Preparer will complete the gray shaded areas on the form titled "To be completed by certified volunteer" during interview with taxpayer. If a question does not apply to the taxpayer, write "No", "N/A", a check mark, or other comments next to the question. This will indicate that the question does not apply but has been discussed with the taxpayer. The right-hand side of pages 2 and 3 has an area for notes/comments that will be used to document conversation with taxpayer. There is additional space for comments on page 5.

Confirm the taxpayer provided dates and as required for their marital status selection, and provided information on dependents being claimed. This will assist in determining the taxpayer's filing status.

- Form 13614-C must be filled out completely to ensure all necessary information is gathered from the taxpayer.
- Answer required questions in the "To be completed by a certified volunteer" gray shaded area.

Step 3: Interview the taxpayer

Use probing questions to develop and/or clarify information on the intake sheet and to confirm the information provided by the taxpayer is complete and accurate. Consider using open-ended questions ("Tell me about the interest on your bank account") rather than simple yes/no questions ("Do you have interest on your bank account?").

Other processes to follow during interview with taxpayer:

- Engage in a conversation with the taxpayer
- Notate comments when taxpayers answers change or taxpayers provide additional information not captured on Form 13614-C



Errors or omissions of information identified during the interview with the taxpayer must be corrected or entered on the Form 13614-C prior to tax return preparation.

Step 4: Make filing status and dependency determinations

Use the resource tools in Publication 4012 when determining taxpayer filing status and eligible dependents to be claimed. On Form 13614-C complete the gray shaded area titled: To be completed by certified volunteer. The answers to the questions asked will provide the information needed to make tax law determinations for dependency, filing status, and qualified tax credits. There is space for additional comments on page 5.`

- If any of these individuals are claimed on the tax return, then all questions must be answered.
- If someone is not claimed on the return, then only disqualifying question(s) must be answered.

Step 5: Review documentation

Look at all supporting documentation provided by the taxpayer (Forms W-2, 1099, payment receipts, etc.).



If the taxpayer has income or expenses listed on the return that do not require a source document and none were provided, notate information on Form 13614-C in Additional Notes/Comments section.

CHAPTER 4: Preparing the Tax Return

After interviewing the taxpayer, an IRS-tax law certified volunteer preparer enters information into the tax software and completes the tax return.

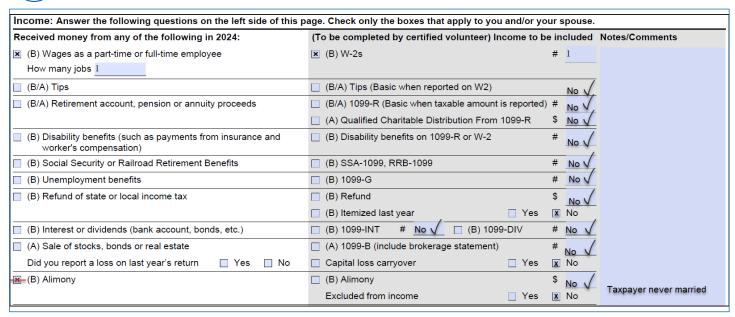


Ensure you are working with a completed Form 13614-C before beginning tax return input.

Prepare return based on the interview with taxpayer, Form 13614-C and the taxpayer's supporting documents. If you find discrepancies between information on Form 13614-C and the supporting documentation (For example: additional income or expenses), line through incorrect information on Form 13614-C and make corrections along with adding notes on the form so quality reviewer has the most current information.



Taxpayer was never married but checked the box next to alimony. Preparer marked through the selection and wrote a note explaining this was an error. See the example below.



During the tax preparation process continue to engage the taxpayer in conversation to ensure you are gathering all the information necessary to correctly prepare their tax return. Below are just a few of the things to consider while talking with the taxpayer:

- Is the correct and the most advantageous filing status used?
- Are the dependency determinations correct?
- Did the taxpayer have any other income, expense, or federal income tax withholding that is omitted from the intake sheet or tax documents?
- Is the taxpayer eligible for any credits such as the Earned Income Credit (EIC), Child Tax Credit (CTC),
 Additional Child Tax Credit (ACTC), education credits, or the Retirement Savings Contribution Credit?
- Any additional questions that may clarify the scope and quality of the tax return.

CHAPTER 5: Quality Review Process

Every site must ensure that a complete quality review process is performed on every tax return prepared. The quality review process confirms that tax laws were was correctly applied, and the tax return is free from error based on the Form 13614-C, taxpayer interview, available supporting documents, and tax return preparer notes.



SPEC recommends using the TaxSlayer Quality Review print set to conduct a quality review. See addendum for quality review best practice.



The quality reviewer must be certified in tax law equal to or above the level needed to prepare the tax return.

5-1: Quality Review Methods:

Quality reviewers must have the following skills:

Designated Review – SPEC prefers the designated quality review method. In this process an IRS-tax law certified volunteer is solely dedicated to reviewing returns prepared by other IRS-tax law certified volunteer preparers.

Peer-to-Peer Review – In this process an IRS-tax law certified volunteer preparer selected by the site may quality review returns of another preparer when the site is not able to use the preferred Designated Review method.

- In-depth knowledge of tax law, the return preparation process and tax preparation software.
- Effective communication skills and the ability to explain tax law and how it applies to taxpayer(s).
- Tact in explaining identified errors to taxpayers and volunteers.



Designated and peer-to-peer quality reviewers must only quality review returns with tax issues that fall within their certification levels. If the site is preparing tax returns above the Basic certification level, the quality reviewers must certify to the level needed to quality review these returns.



Self-Review (volunteer quality reviews a return they prepared) is NOT allowed. All returns must be quality reviewed by a different volunteer than the preparer who is also certified to the level required for the tax return.

5-2: Thorough Quality Review Process

An effective and thorough quality review process includes the following critical components:

- The quality reviewer must confirm taxpayer's (and spouse's, if married filing joint) identity and taxpayer
 identification numbers during the quality review process.
- Engage the taxpayer's participation in the quality review to confirm their understanding and agreement to the facts of the return. Explain that incorrect information may delay the processing of their return.
- Verify all items listed in the Quality Review Checklist found in Publication 4012 are addressed.
- Verify return was prepared using an accurately completed Form 13614-C, Intake/Interview and Quality Review Sheet. Verify errors identified on Form 13614-C were corrected. Review notes/ comments section for any comments left by the preparer.

- Review all supporting documentation, and other information provided by the taxpayer to confirm entries are correct on the return.
- Review tax law references (Publication 4012 and Publication 17, Your Federal Income Tax (For Individuals), and Volunteer Tax Alerts), to verify the accuracy of tax law determinations.
- Advise taxpayers before they sign the return of their responsibility for information on their return.
 Emphasize that by signing the return, the taxpayers are declaring under penalty of perjury that they have examined the return and its accompanying forms and schedules for accuracy.



If any errors are identified or if the Form 13614-C is incomplete, the quality reviewer must speak with the preparer and thoroughly explain any discrepancies. Errors must be corrected and noted on Form 13614-C.

5-3: Quality Review Checklist:

Quality Site Requirement (QSR) #2: Intake/Interview and Quality Review Process, requires that all tax returns must be quality reviewed to ensure accuracy. Reviewers must address every question on the Quality Review Checklist while reviewing the Form 13614-C, Intake/Interview and Quality Review Sheet, including all supporting documents, return preparer comments and the completed tax return. The quality reviewer **must** contact the taxpayer so that they can participate in the quality review process.

Quality Review Checklist from Publication 4012, VITA/TCE Volunteer Resource Guide:

- Taxpayer (and spouse, if married filing joint) identity was verified with a photo ID during the visit
- The volunteer return preparer and quality reviewer are certified to prepare/review this return and the return is within scope of the program
- All Form 13614-C questions in Parts I through V are answered and any "unsure" answers were discussed with the taxpayer and correctly changed to "yes" or "no"
- Additional comments or notes explaining any answers were left for the quality reviewer.
- All Form 13614-C applicable information in the shaded area on Page 1 was completed by the certified volunteer preparer
- Names, addresses, SSNs, ITINs, and EINs are verified and correct on the return
- Filing status is correct
- Dependency determinations are correct. If taxpayer can be claimed as a dependent on someone else's return, verify that it is properly recorded in the basic information section

- All Income on Form 13614-C (with or without source documents) checked "yes" in Part III is verified and correct
- All applicable adjustments to income are verified and correct
- Standard or itemized deductions are correct
- All eligible credits are correct
- All applicable provisions of Affordable Care Act (ACA) were considered for each person named on the tax return and are correct
- Federal income tax withholding and estimated tax payments are correct
- Direct deposit/debit and checking/saving routing and account numbers are correct
- Confirm federal and state return types are correct (for example, e-file vs. paper)
- SIDN is included and correct on the return
- During the visit, the taxpayer(s) was advised that they are responsible for the information on their return
- Any errors identified or incomplete Form 13614-C were discussed with the preparer

5-4: Concluding the Quality Review Process

Quality review is complete when all errors have been corrected on the tax return based on tax law being applied correctly, Form 13614-C complete, and tax return agrees with Form 13614-C and the taxpayer's supporting documentation. If errors are found during the quality review, the corrected return must be reviewed again by the quality reviewer to ensure that all errors were addressed. A suggested best practice is for the quality reviewer to conduct a comparison of the current year tax return to the prior year's tax return, if available. This helps to ensure that nothing is overlooked or omitted that should have been included on the current year tax return but the taxpayer did not bring documentation with them.

Finally, the quality reviewer must ask if the taxpayer(s) has any questions prior to printing the return and before the taxpayer(s) signs the return. See taxpayer signature requirements below.

Sites must provide at a minimum the Taxpayer Copy print set to taxpayers for their records for their records. The below worksheets have been included in the Taxpayer Copy print set and only print if they are relevant to the tax return.

- Simplified Method Worksheet
- Social Security Benefits Worksheet
- Standard Deduction Worksheet for Dependents
- Qualified Dividends and Capital Gain Tax Worksheet
- EIC Worksheets
- State and Local Income Tax Refund Worksheet
- IRA Deduction Worksheet
- Student Loan Interest Deduction Worksheet

5-5: Taxpayer Signature Requirement

Taxpayers **must** be advised verbally of their responsibility for the accuracy of the information they provided to complete their tax return before signing Also advise the taxpayer that by signing either the Form 8879 or the tax return they are acknowledging under penalty of perjury that the return is true, correct and complete.

The requirement for having taxpayers sign their tax return is outlined in <u>Publication 1345</u>, Authorized IRS e-file Providers of Individual Income Tax Returns. This publication states:

"Taxpayers must sign and date the Declaration of Taxpayer to authorize the origination of the electronic submission of the return to the IRS prior to the transmission of the return to IRS. The Declaration of Taxpayer includes the taxpayers' declaration under penalties of perjury that the return is true, correct and complete, as well as the taxpayers' Consent to Disclosure. The Consent to Disclosure authorizes the IRS to disclose information to the taxpayers' Providers. Taxpayers authorize Intermediate Service Providers, Transmitters and EROs to receive from the IRS an acknowledgment of receipt or reason for rejection of the electronic return, the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund and the date of the refund."

Taxpayers filing a joint tax return must both be present at the site to validate proof of their identity and verify their TIN and then sign their tax return. They do not have to be at the site at the same time or on the same day, to do this. However, the tax return must not be e-filed, nor a copy provided to the taxpayer(s) until both signatures are secured on Form 8879, IRS e-file Signature Authorization or the tax return when paper filing.

CHAPTER 6: Duties After Submission of Returns to the IRS

Reviewing Acknowledgments

The IRS electronically acknowledges the receipt of all transmissions. Returns in each transmission are either accepted or rejected for specific reasons. The acknowledgement report must be reviewed each day to determine the status of the previous days submitted returns.

Working Tax Return Rejects

If the IRS rejects the electronic portion of a taxpayer's individual income tax return for processing and the site coordinator cannot fix the reason for the rejection, the site coordinator must take reasonable steps to inform the taxpayer of the rejection within 24 hours. If the IRS cannot electronically accept the return for processing the taxpayer must file a paper tax return.

Rejected electronic individual income tax return data can be corrected and retransmitted without new signatures or authorizations if changes don't differ from the amount on the original electronic return by more than \$50 to "Total income" or "AGI," or more than \$14 to "Total tax," "Federal income tax withheld," "Refund" or "Amount you owe." The site coordinator must give taxpayers copies of the new electronic return data.

Refer to the TaxSlayer User Guide for more information on the software's processes for handling rejects.

ADDENDUM: Quality Review Best Practice

This section provides an example of a quality review process that is considered a best practice. The process demonstrated below uses the TaxSlayer Quality Review print set to perform quality review of a tax return. The sample tax return has a few errors which will be used to highlight how to review the intake sheet, source documents, and tax return.

The quality review process must include interaction with the taxpayer, a review of Form 13614-C and the source documents as well as the tax return as seen in the diagram below.



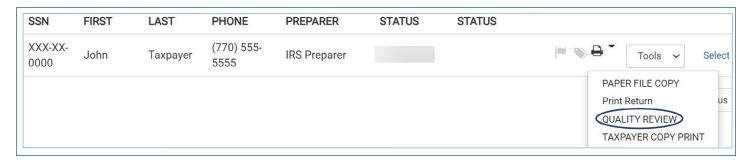
Quality review must comply with requirements shown in Publication 5166, VITA/TCE Volunteer Quality Site Requirements and include a review of all the items listed on the Quality Review Checklist in Publication 4012, VITA/TCE Volunteer Resource Guide.

Taxslayer Quality Review Print Set

The TaxSlayer Quality Review print set is designed for reviewing a tax return. It includes the necessary forms, schedules and worksheets required to verify entries in TaxSlayer and the applicable tax law determinations. A review using the onscreen PDF is recommended as it saves paper, especially if an error is found.

How to Access the TaxSlayer Quality Review Print Set

On the Office Client List, locate the taxpayer's name and click the arrow next to the printer icon on the right of their name and select QUALITY REVIEW from list of options. See screenshot below.



Performing a Quality Review Using the TaxSlayer Quality Review Print Set

In addition to the tax return, the Quality Review print set includes the worksheets used to complete the tax return. The print set gives you a quick summary of the tax return and prints all of the forms, schedules and worksheets associated with the tax return. The print set also highlights totals from key lines of the tax return. The client sheet shows if the taxpayer, spouse, and dependent information is entered correctly. The list of forms will also include an efile signature authorization Form 8879 if the return type is marked for e-filing.

TAX YEAR: 2022 PROCESS DATE: 10/11/2023

CLIENT : XXX-XX-0000 JOHN Q TAXPAYER BIRTH DATE : XX/XX/1990 Age:32 SPOUSE : XXX-XX-0000 JANE P TAXPAYER BIRTH DATE : XX/XX/1991 Age:31

ADDRESS: 400 W PEACHTREE ST PREPARER : 995

: ATLANTA GA 30308

: (770) 555-5555 Home

Work

Cell

STATUS : MARRIED JOINT FED TYPE: Electronic Mail

ST TYPE : Regular Tax

E-MAIL :

address and birth dates can be verified EFFECTIVE RATE: 0.00%

spouse's and dependents' names,

Using this sheet the Taxpayer's,

DEPENDENT NAME	BIRTH DATE	AGE	SSN	RELATIONSHIP	MONTHS
IMA J TAXPAYER	XX/XX/2013	9	XXX-XX-5100	DAUGHTER	12
JUDY T TAXPAYER	XX/XX/2014	8	XXX-XX-1050	DAUGHTER	12

LISTING OF FORMS FOR THIS RETURN

FORM 1040

SCHEDULE 1 (ADDITIONAL INCOME AND ADJUSTMENTS TO INCOME)

SCHEDULE 3 (ADDITIONAL CREDITS AND PAYMENTS)

FORM W-2

EARNED INCOME CREDIT

FORM 1099-G (UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION)

SCHEDULE EIC (EARNED INCOME CREDIT)

FORM 2441 (CHILD CARE CREDIT)

CHILD TAX CREDIT WORKSHEET

FORM 8812 (ADDITIONAL CHILD TAX CREDIT)
FORM 8879 (E-FILE SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION)

STUDENT LOAN INTEREST DEDUCTION WORKSHEET

GA STATE RESIDENT RETURN

This is a list of forms. schedules and worksheets included in the tax return

* QUICK SUMMARY *			
SUMMARY	FEDERAL	GA RESIDENT	
FILING STATUS	2	2	

1559

0

FILING STATUS	Z	2
TOTAL INCOME	48732	0
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	600	0
ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME	48132	48132
DEDUCTIONS	25900	7100
EXEMPTIONS	0	13400
TAXABLE INCOME	22232	27632
TAX	2256	1354
CREDITS	2256	360
PAYMENTS	10221	0
REFUND	10221	0
AMOUNT DUE	0	994

Here is a quick look at the tax return data

Review Form 13614-C, Intake/Interview and Quality Review Sheet

Review Form 13614-C and the tax return to ensure that all items included are within scope of the VITA/TCE program and within the training certification level of the preparer and quality reviewer. The preparer and quality reviewer must be certified at or above the highest certification level required to prepare the tax return. In some cases, this may include a specialty certification level like military. (See Publication 5166, VITA/TCE Volunteer Quality Site Requirements, for more information.)

During the quality review, the reviewer must ensure that Form 13614-C is complete. A complete Form 13614-C includes:

- All questions on page 1 answered and pages 2 through 3 questions checked that apply to the tax return.
- Any items not answered must to discussed with the taxpayer and marked with "No", "N/A", a check mark, or other comments if it does not apply to taxpayer.
- The gray shaded section on pages 1 through 3 titled: To be completed by certified volunteer is completed by preparer.

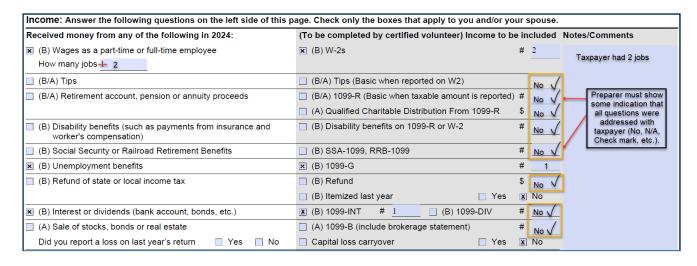
The quality reviewer carefully reviews all the information on page 1 of Form 13614-C including the following items:

- U.S. citizen
- In the U.S. on a visa (if yes see Publication 4012 Tab L)
- · Full-time student, disabled, or blind
- Can anyone else claim the taxpayer or spouse on their tax return?
- Have you or your spouse been a victim of tax related identity theft or been issued an Identity Protection PIN? (**Note:** This question also applies to any dependents on the return)
- Check boxes and filled in clarifying information requested for:
 - Never Married
 - Married (answer the two questions "Yes" or "No")
 - Divorced (complete the date fields)
 - Legally Separated (complete the date fields)
 - Widowed (complete the year of spouse's death field)
- Listed names of everyone who lived with the taxpayer last year (other than their spouse) and anyone the taxpayer supported but did not live with them last year. The prepare will complete the gray shaded area.

In the example below, Form 13614-C is not complete. The quality reviewer must have a completed Form 13614-C prior to beginning the quality review. Unanswered questions increase the time needed to complete the quality review because the taxpayer must be asked these questions again.

Form 13614-C	;			Department of		-							OMB Nu	mber
(October 2024)		I	ntake/lı	nterviev	v and	d Quali	ty Re	view S	hee	t			1545-1964	
You will need: Tax Information such a Social Security cards o Picture ID (such as val	r ITIN letters id driver's lice	for all persons on nse) for you and	your tax retu your spouse		shaet atl	You a inform If you	are respor nation. I have que	estions, ask t	inform	-certified v	olunteer p	-		
	a to provide	· · ·			nest ett		Your date					, eman us a	WI.VOI	axuuns.gov
Your first name John		M.I. Q	Last name Taxpayer	;			99/08/199		Sal	ur job title es	:			
Spouse's first name		M.I.	Last name	,				date of bir	-	ouse's jol	n title			
Jane		P	Taxpayer				7/19/199			ceptionist	ruc			
Mailing address				An	t #	City					State		ZIP co	de
400 West Peachtree At				M	S54	Atlanta					GA		30308	40
Your telephone number (770) 555-5555	r	Spouse's tele	phone numb	er En	nail add	ress (option	al)				or work in	two or mor	e states	s in 2024
Check if you or your	spouse wer	e in 2024:		-		Legally bl	ind				You	Spou	se	■ No
A U.S. citizen		☐ You	☐ Sp	ouse 🗌	No	Totally an	d perma	nently disal	bled		You	Spou	se	■ No
In the U.S. on a visa		☐ You	☐ Sp	ouse 💌	No	Issued an	identity	protection I	PIN (IF	PPIN)	You	Spou	se	■ No
A full-time student		☐ You	☐ Sp	ouse 🔲	No	Owners o	r holders	of any digi	tal ass	sets	You	Spou	se	No
If due a refund, how would you like your refund If you have a balance due, how would you like to make your payment ☑ Direct deposit ☐ Check by mail ☐ Bank account ☐ IRS.gov Direct Pay ☐ Split refund between accounts ☐ Other ☐ Set up installment agreement ☑ Mail payment to IRS Would you like to receive written communications from the IRS in a language other than English ☐ You ☐ Spouse ☒ No														
What language	ve writterr co	minumeations	Tom the INS	o iii a iaiigua	ge outer	triali Erigiis	911				You	☐ Spou	30	⊠ No
Would you, or your spo	ouse if marrie	ed filing jointly, I	ike \$3 to go	to the Presid	dential E	lection Can	npaign Fu	und			You	Spou	se	× No
As of December 31, 20 Never Married Divorced	024, what wa	✓ Marr Did y	ied ou live with	If marrie your spouse ed but not E	during				of 2024		Yes Yes Widow	□ No □ No		
Date of final decree		Date	of separate	maintenanc	e decree	е					Year of	f spouse's d	eath	
To be completed by o	ertified vol	unteer: Can an	yone else cla	aim the taxpa	ayer or s	pouse on th	neir tax re	eturn			Yes	□ No		
List the names below of spouse) AND anyone y					•	Answer	Yes or N	lo (Y/N)		Tob		eted by cert es, No, or N		olunteer
Name (first, last)	Date of birth (mm/dd/yy)	Relationship to you (child, parent, none, etc.)	Number of months lived in your home in 2024	Single or Married as of 12/31/2024 (S/M)	Citizen	Resident of U.S., Canada or Mexico	Full-time student	Totally and permanently disabled	Issued IPPIN	Qualifying child or relative of any other person	This person provided more than 50% of their own support	person had pro less than mo \$5,050 of 500 income sup	cpayer(s) wided re than % of oport for s person	Taxpayer(s) paid more than half the cost of maintaining a home for this person
Ima Taxpayer	08/01/2013	0	12	S	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No					
Judy Taxpayer	12/12/2014	Daughter	12	S	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No					
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On pages 2 through 3 of Form 13614-C, the gray shaded area will be completed by an IRS-tax law certified volunteer during the interview with the taxpayer. Each question that does not apply to the taxpayer should be marked with "No", "N/A", a check mark, or other comments to indicate it has been reviewed with the taxpayer. Review all the information provided to ensure consistency. For example, if the taxpayer states they had two jobs, there should be two Form W-2s included with the taxpayer's documents. Review these pages carefully (see example on the following page).



Compare Form 13614-C, the Source Documents and the Tax Return

Once the Form 13614-C is complete, compare it to the tax return. Every question checked on pages 2 and 3 must have a corresponding entry on the tax return, or there should be a preparer comment to explain why it is not included on the return.

Review all entries on <u>Form 1040</u>, U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, and/or the attached forms, schedules, and worksheets included in the Quality Review print set, and compare them to the source documents and Form 13614-C. If the taxpayer provided oral testimony during the interview, the preparer must include the information on Form 13614-C in the Additional Notes/Comments section if it is relevant to the preparation of the tax return.

Form 13614-C, Personal Information

Confirm that:

- Names are spelled correctly and match the names as listed on the Social Security cards, ITIN letters, or ITIN cards
- Address is entered correctly (including apartment number, if appropriate)
- Taxpayer(s) and dependent(s) birth dates are entered correctly
- Filing status and dependency determinations are correct
- The taxpayer's bank routing and account numbers for direct deposit/debit are entered correctly.

Form 13614-C (October 2024)		In				lity Revice	heet			OMB Numb 1545-1964			
You will need: Tax Information such as Forms W-2, 1099, 1098, 1095. Social Security cards or ITIN letters for all persons on your tax return Picture ID (such as valid driver's license) for you and your spouse						Complete pages 1-6 of this form. You are responsible for the information on your return. Provide complete and accurate information. If you have questions, ask the IRS-certified volunteer preparer.							
Volunteers are trained to provide high quality service and uphold the highest ethical standards. To report unethical behavior to the IRS, email us at wi.voltax@irs.gov													
Your first name		M.I.	Last name			Your date of birth	Your job titl	е					
John		Q	Taxpayer			09/08/1990	Sales						
Spouse's first name		M.I.	Last name			Spouse's date of birtl	n Spouse's jo	b title					
Jane		P	Taxpayer			07/19/1991	Receptionist						
Mailing address				Apt#	City			State		ZIP code			
400 West Peachtree At				MS54	Atlanta			GA		30308			
Your telephone number (770) 555-5555	Spo	ouse's teleph	none number	Email addr	ess (optio	ess (optional) Did you live or work in to Yes No			vo or moi	re states in	2024		
Check if you or your spouse v	were in 2	2024:		-	Legally	blind		You	Spot	use 🛚 🗷	No		
A U.S. citizen		× You	Spouse	■ No	Totally a	and permanently disab	led	You	Spot	use x	No		
In the U.S. on a visa		You	Spouse	× No	Issued a	an identity protection P	IN (IPPIN)	You	Spot	use 💌	No		
A full-time student		You	Spouse	× No	Owners	or holders of any digit	al assets	You	Spot	use x	No		
If due a refund, how would you	like you	ır refund			If you have a balance due, how would you like to make your payment								
▼ Direct deposit					☐ Bank account ☐ IRS.gov Di				Direct Pay	У			
Split refund between account	nts	Other			☐ Set ι	up installment agreeme	ent	■ Mail payn	nent to IR	RS			



You must compare Form 1040, to the Quality Review print set client sheet and Form 13614-C to confirm that the information shown on the tax return is accurate.

In our example below, there is an error on the tax return. The apartment number entered on Form 13614-C (MS54) is not entered in the software. This must be corrected prior to the return being e-filed or provided to the taxpayer to mail.

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	necked t		enter the na	ame of	ied filing se		<i>'</i> —		ousehold (HO	, s	pouse (C	g surviving QSS) e if the qualifying	
Your first name and middle	initial			Last name								ecurity number	
JOHN Q				TAXI	PAYER					Y	XX-XX	0000	
If joint return, spouse's firs	t name a	nd middle initia	al	Last n	ame					Spo	use's soci	al security number	
JANE P				TAXI	PAYER) y	XX-XX	0000	
Home address (number an	d street).	If you have a F	P.O. box, see	instruct	tions.				Apt. no.	Pres	idential E	Election Campaign	
400 W PEACHTRE	,	,	,									you, or your	
		e a foreign add	tress also co	mnlete	snaces helo	w	State	7	ZIF code			g jointly, want \$3	
City, town, or post office. If you have a foreign address, also ATLANTA				inploto	орассо всто	***	GA		30308			und. Checking a	
							GA				below wi tax or re	Il not change	
Foreign country name Apartment number from the Form 13614-C Foreign postal code you								ode you	lax of te				
_		was	not ente	red i	in the ta	x softv	vare	<u> </u>			Ш	Tou Spouse	
		000 JOHN 000 JANE							TH DATE			1990 Age:32 1991 Age:31	
		ACHTREE GA 30308	⁵¹	This is the Client sheet from PREPARER he Quality Review print set					PARER	: 99	: 995		
Form 13614-C (October 2024)		Ir				*	Revenue Service ty Reviev	v She	eet			OMB Number 1545-1964	
You will need: Tax Information such as Forn Social Security cards or ITIN Picture ID (such as valid drive	letters for	all persons on	your tax return			You a inform	olete pages 1-6 c are responsible fo nation. I have questions,	or the info	ormation on you		turn. Provide complete and accurate		
Volunteers are trained to pr	rovide hi	gh quality ser	vice and uph	old the	highest eth	ical standa	ırds. To report	unethica	al behavior to	the IRS, e	email us a	t <u>wi.voltax@irs.gov</u>	
Your first name		M.I.	Last name				Your date of bir		Your job title				
John		Q	Taxpayer				09/08/1990		Sales				
Spouse's first name Jane		M.I. P	Last name Taxpayer						Spouse's job Receptionist	uue			
Mailing address		1.	p.u.j &1		Apt#	City			puomst	State		ZIP code	
400 West Peachtree At				(MS54	Atlanta				GA		30308	
Your telephone number (770) 555-5555	(Spouse's telep	hone number	r	Email addı	ess (option	al)			r work in t No	wo or mo	re states in 2024	

Form 13614-C, Marital Status and Dependents Information

Next, look at the filing status shown on the tax return. Ensure the information provided on Form 13614-C supports the filing status used on the tax return.

As of December 31, 2024, what was your marital status									
Never Married	Married	If married, were you married for all	of 2024	x Yes	■ No				
	Did you live wi	six months of 2024	Yes	■ No					
■ Divorced	Legally Separ		Widow	red					
Date of final decree	Date of separa	ate maintenance decree		Year of	f spouse's death				

Then compare the dependents listed on the tax return to the individuals who lived with the taxpayer or whom the taxpayer supported as shown on page 1 of Form 13614-C. This information is also listed on the Quality Review print set client sheet. The tax return must list all individuals entered in this section who qualify as dependents as shown on Form 13614-C.

The reviewer must also confirm that the dates of birth are listed correctly. Most qualified dependents will be addressed in this manner. However, unusual circumstances require additional research. See Publication 4012, VITA/TCE Volunteer Resource Guide, for more information.

When reviewing the dependents, a reviewer should ask themselves if the taxpayer is:

- Claiming someone who is not their dependent?
- Not claiming someone who can be claimed as their dependent

To be completed by o	To be completed by certified volunteer: Can anyone else claim the taxpayer or spouse on their tax return													
List the names below of everyone who lived with you last year (except your spouse) AND anyone you supported but did not live with you last year.				Answer Yes or No (Y/N)				To be completed by certified volunteer (Yes, No, or N/A)						
Name (first, last)		Relationship to you (child, parent, none, etc.)		Single or Married as of 12/31/2024 (S/M)	Citizen	Resident of U.S., Canada or Mexico	Full-time student	Totally and permanently disabled	IPPIN			person had less than \$5,050 of income		Taxpayer(s) paid more than half the cost of maintaining a home for this person
Ima Taxpayer	08/01/2013	Daughter	12	S	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Judy Taxpayer	12/12/2014	Daughter	12	S	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

Dependents Section of Form 1040

Dependents	(see instructions):	(2) Social security	(3) Relationship	(4) Check the box if qualifies for (see instructions):			
If more	(1) First name Last name	number	to you	Child tax credit	Credit for other dependents		
than four	IMA J TAXPAYER	XXX-XX-5100	DAUGHTER	X			
dependents, see instructions	JUDY T TAXPAYER	XXX-XX-1050	DAUGHTER	X			
and check							
here							

DEPENDENT NAME	BIRTH DATE	AGE	SSN	RELATIONSHIP	MONTHS
IMA J TAXPAYER	XX/XX/2013	9	XXX-XX-5100	DAUGHTER	12
JUDY T TAXPAYER	XX/XX/2014	8	XXX-XX-1050	DAUGHTER	12

After confirming taxpayers' names, address, Social Security numbers/ITINs, filing status and qualifying dependents, you are ready to review the taxpayers' income.

Form 13614-C, Income

The Quality Review print set client sheet includes a listing of the forms, schedules, and worksheets used in the preparation of the tax return and a quick summary of the information reported on the tax return.

Confirm that all the Form 13614-C boxes checked reported on the tax return. Verify that the income shown on the source documents provided and any oral testimony by the taxpayers listed in the "Additional Notes/ Comments" section are included on the tax return.

For the example below, Form 13614-C indicates that this taxpayer received wages, interest/dividends, and unemployment compensation income. However, the tax return and the client sheet only include wages and unemployment income that are reported on the Form W-2 and Form 1099-G.

SUMMARY	FEDERAL
FILING STATUS	2
TOTAL INCOME	48732
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	600
ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME	48132
DEDUCTIONS	25900
EXEMPTIONS	0
TAXABLE INCOME	22232
TAX	2256
CREDITS	2256
PAYMENTS	10221
REFUND	10221
AMOUNT DUE	0
EARNED INCOME CREDIT	1559

LISTING OF FORMS FOR THIS RETURN
FORM 1040
SCHEDULE 1 (ADDITIONAL INCOME AND ADJUSTMENTS TO INCOME)
SCHEDULE 3 (ADDITIONAL CREDITS AND PAYMENTS)
FORM W-2
FORM 1099-G (UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION)
SCHEDULE EIC (EARNED INCOME CREDIT)
FORM 2441 (CHILD CARE CREDIT)
CHILD TAX CREDIT WORKSHEET
FORM 8812 (ADDITIONAL CHILD TAX CREDIT)
FORM 8879 (E-FILE SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION)
STUDENT LOAN INTEREST DEDUCTION WORKSHEET
GA STATE RESIDENT RETURN

After reviewing the source documents, you determine that interest income is omitted from the tax return. This must be corrected on the tax return.

Income: Answer the following questions on the left side of this p	age. Check only the boxes that apply to you and/or you	ır spouse.	
Received money from any of the following in 2024:	(To be completed by certified volunteer) Income to be	included	Notes/Comments
(B) Wages as a part-time or full-time employee How many jobs 2	▼ (B) W-2s	# 2	Taxpayer had 2 jobs
☐ (B/A) Tips	☐ (B/A) Tips (Basic when reported on W2)	No V	1
(B/A) Retirement account, pension or annuity proceeds	☐ (B/A) 1099-R (Basic when taxable amount is reported)	# No V	
	☐ (A) Qualified Charitable Distribution From 1099-R	\$ No \	
(B) Disability benefits (such as payments from insurance and worker's compensation)	☐ (B) Disability benefits on 1099-R or W-2	# No √	-
(B) Social Security or Railroad Retirement Benefits	(B) SSA-1099, RRB-1099	# No V	
(B) Unemployment benefits	▼ (B) 1099-G	# 1	
☐ (B) Refund of state or local income tax	☐ (B) Refund	\$ No V	7
	☐ (B) Itemized last year ☐ Yes	x No	
(B) Interest or dividends (bank account, bonds, etc.)	I (B) 1099-INT # 1 ☐ (B) 1099-DIV	# No √	Omitted 1099-INT income added during
(A) Sale of stocks, bonds or real estate	(A) 1099-B (include brokerage statement)	# No V	Quality Review.
Did you report a loss on last year's return Yes No	☐ Capital loss carryover ☐ Yes	x No	

AYER'S name, street address, city or town, state or province, country, a foreign postal code, and telephone no.		OMB No. 1545-0112 Form 1099-INT		
		I Form 1099-INT		
		101111 1000 1111	Interest	
	1 Interest income	(Rev. January 2022)	Income	
		For calendar year		
our Bank and Trust	\$ 125	20		
14 Main Street Surtown, YS 12345	2 Early withdrawal penalty		Сору 1	
AYER'S TIN RECIPIENT'S TIN	\$		For State Tax	
	3 Interest on U.S. Savings Bor	3 Interest on U.S. Savings Bonds and Treasury obligations		
XX-1234567	\$			
ECIPIENT'S name	4 Federal income tax withheld	5 Investment expenses		
	\$	\$		
hn Q and Jane P Taxpayer	6 Foreign tax paid	7 Foreign country or U.S. possession		
reet address (including apt. no.)	\$			
	8 Tax-exempt interest	Specified private activity bond interest		
3 Amy Street				
ty or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code	\$	\$		
	10 Market discount	11 Bond premium		
purtown, YS 12345				
FATCA fi requirem		\$		
	12 Bond premium on Treasury obligations	1. '		
populat number (see instructions)	14 Tax-exempt and tax credit	\$ 15 State 16 State identification no.	17 State tax withheld	
ccount number (see instructions)	bond CUSIP no.	To State Identification no.	\$	
m 1099-INT (Rev. 1-2022)			\$	

In addition to using the tax return client sheet summaries that are apart of the Quality Review print set in TaxSlayer, there are several ways to confirm the accuracy of the income reported on the tax return Form 1040. Compare Form 13614-C entries to: all income source documents provided by the taxpayers, the Income Forms Summary and the income documents that print out with the Quality Review print set in TaxSlayer. The next four screenshots show this comparison.

Income	1a	Total amount from Form(s) W-2, box 1 (see instructions)	1a	47532
IIICOIIIC	b	Household employee wages not reported on Form(s) W-2	1b	
Attach Form(s)	С	Tip income not reported on line 1a (see instructions)	1c	
W-2 here. Also attach Forms	d	Medicaid waiver payments not reported on Form(s) W-2 (see instructions)	1d	
W-2G and	е	Taxable dependent care benefits from Form 2441, line 26	1e	
1099-R if tax was withheld.	f	Employer-provided adoption benefits from Form 8839, line 29	1f	
If you did not	g	Wages from Form 8919, line 6	1g	
get a Form	h	Other earned income (see instructions)	1h	
W-2, see instructions.	i	Nontaxable combat pay election (see instructions)		
ilistructions.	z	Add lines 1a through 1h	1z	47532
Attach Sch. B	2a	Tax-exempt interest 2a b Taxable interest	2b	
if required.	3a	Qualified dividends 3a b Ordinary dividends	3b	
	4a	IRA distributions 4a b Taxable amount	4b	
Standard	5a	Pensions and annuities 5a b Taxable amount	5b	
Deduction for— Single or	6a	Social security benefits 6a b Taxable amount	6b	
Married filing	С	If you elect to use the lump-sum election method, check here (see instructions)		
separately, \$12.950	7	Capital gain or (loss). Attach Schedule D if required. If not required, check here	7	
Married filing	8	Other income from Schedule 1, line 10	8	1200
jointly or Qualifying	9	Add lines 1z, 2b, 3b, 4b, 5b, 6b, 7, and 8. This is your total income .	9	48732
surviving spouse, \$25.900	10	Adjustments to income from Schedule 1, line 26 Student Loan Interest	10	600
Head of	11	Subtract line 10 from line 9. This is your adjusted gross income	11	48132
household, \$19.400	12	Standard deduction or itemized deductions (from Schedule A)	12	25900
If you checked	13	Qualified business income deduction from Form 8995 or Form 8995-A	13	
any box under Standard	14	Add lines 12 and 13	14	25900
Deduction, see instructions.	15	Subtract line 14 from line 11. If zero or less, enter -0 This is your taxable income	15	22232

CLIENT : JOHN TAXPAYER XXX-XX-0000 SPOUSE : JANE TAXPAYER XXX-XX-0000

PREPARER : 995 DATE : 10/11/2023

* W-2 INCOME FORMS SUMMARY *

	T/S	EMPLOYER	WAGES	FED WITH	FICA	MED TAX	STATE WITH ST
1.	Т	YOURTOWN APPLIANCE	31376	4106	1945	455	0
2.	S	YOURTOWN DENTAL CAR	16156	1612	1000	234	0
		TOTALS	47532	5718	2945	689	0

* FORM 1099-G INCOME FORMS SUMMARY *

	[T/S]	PAYER	UNEMPLOYMENT	FED WITH	STATE WITH ST
1.	T	YOUR STATE UNEMPLOYMENT OFFI	1200	0	0
		TOTALS	1200	0	0

Taxpayer Original W-2 Form

	a Employee's social security number						
	XXX-XX-0000	OMB No. 154	1545-0008				
b Employer identification number (EIN)		1 Wages, tips, other compensation 2 F			income tax withheld	
10-000000				31376		4106	
c Employer's name, address, and	ZIP code		3 Sc	ocial security wages	4 Social s	ecurity tax withheld	
YOURTOWN APPLIANCE	STORE			31376		1945	
5689 MALL BLVD				edicare wages and tips	6 Medica	re tax withheld	
ATLANTA GA 30308				31376		455	
			7 Sc	ocial security tips	8 Allocate	ed tips	
d Control number			9		10 Depend	ent care benefits	
e Employee's first name and initial	Last name	Suff.	11 No	onqualified plans	12a		
JOHN Q TAXPAYER					g DD	4352	
400 W PEACHTREE ST			13 Sta	ututory Retirement Third-party ployee plan sick pay	12b		
ATLANTA GA 30308			L. L	X	d e		
			14 Ot	ner	12c		
					12d		
f Employee's address and ZIP cod 15 State Employer's state ID numb		17 State incon	ne tax	18 Local wages, tips, etc.	19 Local incor	ne tax 20 Locality name	
Form W-2 Wage an	d Tax Statement	202	25	Department of	of the Treasury-	-Internal Revenue Service	

Taxpayer Original W-2 Form

	a Employee's social security number XXX-XX-0000 OMB No. 154			45-0008			
b Employer identification number (E	EIN)	•	1 Wa	ges, tips, other compensation	2 Federal inco	me tax withheld	
48-0000000				16123		1621	
c Employer's name, address, and 2	IP code		3 So	cial security wages	4 Social secur	ity tax withheld	
YOURTOWN DENTAL CAR	E			16123		1000	
104 W PEACHTREE NW ATLANTA GA 30308				dicare wages and tips	6 Medicare ta	x withheld	
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			7 So	cial security tips	8 Allocated tip	OS .	
d Control number			9		10 Dependent	care benefits	
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					12d		
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f Employee's address and ZIP code					e		
5 State Employer's state ID number		17 State incon	ne tax	18 Local wages, tips, etc.	19 Local income to	ax 20 Locality name	
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orm W-2 Wage and	d Tax Statement	202	۲.	Department	of the Treasury-Inte	ernal Revenue Service	

For wages, compare the Forms W-2 generated in TaxSlayer to the paper Forms W-2 provided by the taxpayers to confirm all the entries on the paper Forms W-2 are entered into the software correctly, including boxes 12-14.

Below are John's and Jane's Forms W-2 that were generated in TaxSlayer with the Quality Review print set. It includes all the entries the volunteer preparer entered in TaxSlayer for each Form W-2.

In this example, John's income is correctly reported on the tax return. By comparing the Form W-2 included in TaxSlayer's Quality Review print set with the original, the reviewer can verify that all entries (including boxes 12-14), are correctly entered on the tax return in TaxSlayer.

W-2 Form from TaxSlayer Quality Review Print Set

	a Employee's social security number					
	XXX-XX-0000	OMB No. 154	5-0008			
b Employer identification number (EIN)	•	1 Wa	ges, tips, other compensation	2 Federal income t	ax withheld
10-000000				31376	4	1106
c Employer's name, address, and 2	ZIP code		3 So	cial security wages	4 Social security to	ax withheld
YOURTOWN APPLIANCE	STORE			31376		L945
5689 MALL BLVD				edicare wages and tips	6 Medicare tax wit	hheld
ATLANTA GA 30308				31376		455
			7 So	cial security tips	8 Allocated tips	
d Control number			9		10 Dependent care	benefits
e Employee's first name and initial	Last name	Suff.	11 No	nqualified plans	12a	
JOHN Q	TAXPAYER		. a Ctot	utory Retirement Third-part	d DD	4352
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ATLANTA GA 30308			44 011	X	d e	
			14 Oth	ier	12c	
					12d	
f Employee's address and ZIP cod	e				e	
5 State Employer's state ID numb		17 State incon	ne tax	18 Local wages, tips, etc	. 19 Local income tax	20 Locality nam
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Now, let's look at Jane's W-2. When you compare the wages shown on Jane's paper Form W-2 to the Quality Review print set Form W-2, you find that Jane's wages are entered incorrectly in the software. The wages are overstated by \$33 and the Federal Income Tax Withholding is understated by \$9 when compared to the paper source document. This must be corrected.



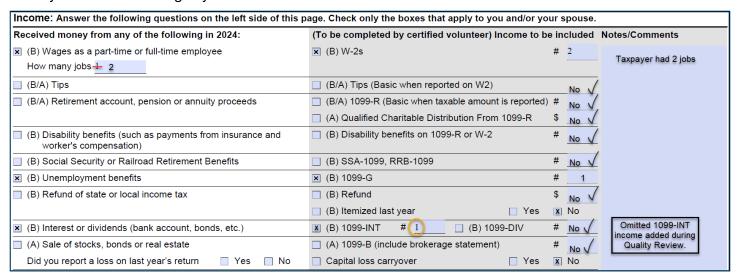
Pay special attention to:

- Typos and transposed numbers
- EIN not entered correctly
- Ensure all entries from Form W-2 (including boxes 12-14) are entered in the software

W-2 Form from TaxSlayer Quality Review Print Set

	a Employee's social security number						
	XXX-XX-0000	OMB No. 1545	5-0008				
b Employer identification number (l	EIN)		Wages, tips, other compensation Federal income tax			income tax withheld	
48-000000				16156		1612	
c Employer's name, address, and 2	ZIP code		3 Soc	cial security wages	4 Social s	ecurity tax withheld	
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d Control number			9		10 Depend	ent care benefits	
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ATLANTA GA 30308					d e		
			14 Oth	er	12c		
					d e		
					12d		
f Employee's address and ZIP code	2				e e		
5 State Employer's state ID number		17 State incom	l ne tax	18 Local wages, tips, etc.	19 Local incon	ne tax 20 Locality na	
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Once you confirm the wages you can move on to the other income indicated on the Form 13614-C.



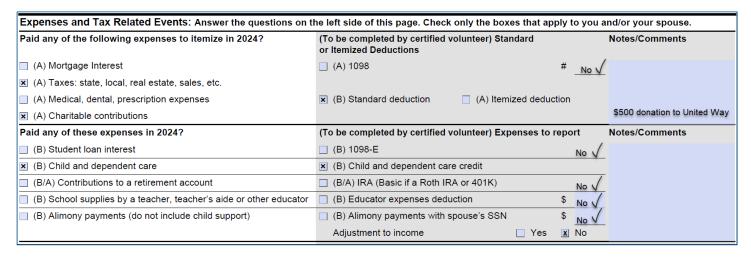
In our example, John also received unemployment compensation income. A comparison of the unemployment compensation and the federal income tax withholding shown on the Form 1099-G to the amount shown on the tax return using the income summary below, \$120 in federal income tax withholding is not reported. This must be corrected.

		☐ VOID ☐ CO	ORRE	CTED					
PAYER'S name, street address, city or town, state or province, country, ZIP or foreign postal code, and telephone no. Your State Unemployment Office				\$ 1200 Form 10 (Rev. Jar		0. 1545-0120 099-G anuary 2022) alendar year		Certain Government Payments	
8765 Main Str Yourtown, YS				\$		1	20		
PAYER'S TIN		RECIPIENT'S TIN		3 Box 2 am	ount is for tax year		ral income tax v	withheld	Copy 1
	9876543	XXX-12-3456		5 DT 4 4		\$		120	For State Tax
RECIPIENT'S n	ame			5 RTAA pay	ments	\$ Taxai	6 Taxable grants		Department
John Q Taxpa Street address 124 Any Stree	(including apt. no.)			7 Agricultur \$ 9 Market ga	re payments	8 Chec	ek if box 2 is or business ne	-	·
City or town, st	ate or province, count	ry, and ZIP or foreign postal coo	de	\$	1				
Yourtown, YS	S 12345 er (see instructions)			10a State	10b State identific	ation no. 1		x withheld	
Account number	er (see instructions)					9 \$))		
Form 1099-G	(Rev. 1-2022)	www.irs.g	ov/Form	1099G		Depar	rtment of the T	reasury -	Internal Revenue Service
* FORM 10	99-G INCOM	FORMS SUMMARY	*						
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1. T	YOUR STA	TE UNEMPLOYMENT	OFFI		1200		0		0
	TOTALS				1200		0		0

If the taxpayer indicates that they had any other income, review the applicable documentation, and ensure the amounts reported on the tax return and/or the forms and worksheets are correct. Examples of other income include pensions, annuities, Social Security benefits, self-employment income, rental income, or other miscellaneous income. There may not always be a document available for some income sources.

Form 13614-C, Expenses and Tax Credits

Next, begin the review of adjustments to gross income and the use of either the standard deduction or itemized deductions by reviewing identified expenses on Form 13614-C.



A review of the Form 1040 shows an adjustment to income for student loan interest. However, the above Form 13614-C does not show this as a possible expense. It helps the quality reviewer when the preparer corrects errors on the Form 13614-C. The following screenshots demonstrate how this correction on Form 13614-C is made. The following screenshots demonstrate how this correction on Form 13614-C is made.

Income	1a	Total amount from Form(s) W-2, box 1 (see instructions)	1a	47532		
IIICOIIIE	b	Household employee wages not reported on Form(s) W-2	1b			
Attach Form(s)	С	Tip income not reported on line 1a (see instructions)	1c			
W-2 here. Also attach Forms	here. Also					
W-2G and	е	Taxable dependent care benefits from Form 2441, line 26	1e			
1099-R if tax was withheld.	f	Employer-provided adoption benefits from Form 8839, line 29	1f			
If you did not	g	Wages from Form 8919, line 6	1g			
get a Form	h	Other earned income (see instructions)	1h			
W-2, see	i	Nontaxable combat pay election (see instructions)				
instructions.	z	Add lines 1a through 1h	1z	47532		
Attach Sch. B	2a	Tax-exempt interest 2a b Taxable interest	2b			
if required.	3a	Qualified dividends 3a b Ordinary dividends	3b			
	4a	IRA distributions 4a b Taxable amount	4b			
Standard	5a	Pensions and annuities 5a b Taxable amount	5b			
Deduction for—	6a	Social security benefits 6a b Taxable amount	6b			
Single or Married filing	С	If you elect to use the lump-sum election method, check here (see instructions)				
separately, \$12.950	7	Capital gain or (loss). Attach Schedule D if required. If not required, check here	7			
• Married filing	8	Other income from Schedule 1, line 10	8	1200		
jointly or Qualifying	9	Add lines 1z, 2b, 3b, 4b, 5b, 6b, 7, and 8. This is your total income	9	48732		
surviving spouse,	10	Adjustments to income from Schedule 1, line 26 Student Loan Interest	10	600		
\$25,900 • Head of	11	Subtract line 10 from line 9. This is your adjusted gross income	11	48132		
household,	12	Standard deduction or itemized deductions (from Schedule A)	12	25900		
\$19,400 If you checked	13	Qualified business income deduction from Form 8995 or Form 8995-A	13			
any box under	14	Add lines 12 and 13	14	25900		
Standard Deduction,	15	Subtract line 14 from line 11. If zero or less, enter -0 This is your taxable income	15	22232		
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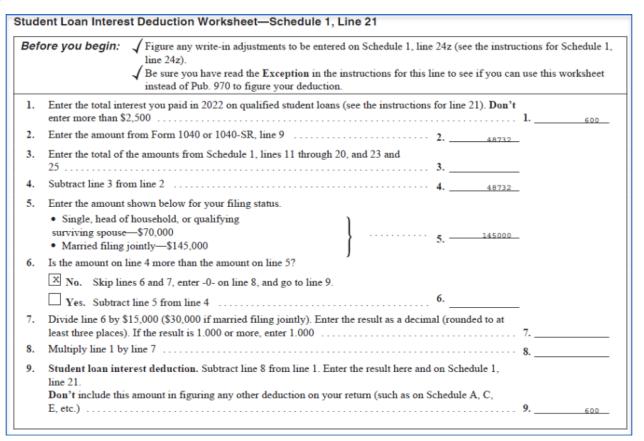
The taxpayer provided the Form 1098-E, Student Loan Interest Statement, with \$600 in student loan interest even though they did not disclose the interest on the Form 13614-C. The preparer included the amount on the tax return but did not update the intake sheet during the interview or return preparation processes. The preparer must update this item on the Form 13614-C.

		ECTED (if checked)	
RECIPIENT'S/LENDER'S name, stree province, country, ZIP or foreign post		OMB No. 1545-1576 2022	Student Loan Interest Statement
Yourtown College Funding Inc		Form 1098-E	
RECIPIENT'S TIN	BORROWER'S TIN	1 Student loan interest received by lender	Copy B
48-51000XX	458-10-0000	\$	600 For Borrower
John Q Taxpayer Street address (including apt. no.) 401 W Peachtree St M554 City or town, state or province, country	ry, and ZIP or foreign postal code		This is important tax information and is being furnished to the IRS. If you are required to file a return, a negligence penalty or other sanction may be imposed on you if the IRS determines that an
Atlanta, GA 30308 Account number (see instructions)		2 If checked, box 1 does not include loan origination fees and/or capitalized interest for loans made before September 1, 2004	underpayment of tax results because you overstated a deduction for student loan interest.
Form 1098-E (k	eep for your records)	www.irs.gov/Form1098E Department of the Trea	sury - Internal Revenue Service

Form 13614-C updated:

Paid any of the following expenses to itemize in 2024?	(To be completed by certified volunteer) Standard		Notes/Comments		
r and any of the feneraling expenses to itemize in 2024.	or Itemized Deductions		Notes / Commonts		
(A) Mortgage Interest	☐ (A) 1098	# No √			
x (A) Taxes: state, local, real estate, sales, etc.					
(A) Medical, dental, prescription expenses	x (B) Standard deduction ☐ (A) Itemized deduction	uction			
(A) Charitable contributions			\$500 donation to United Wa		
Paid any of these expenses in 2024?	(To be completed by certified volunteer) Expenses to report Notes/Comments				
🗷 (B) Student loan interest	x (B) 1098-E	-No √	Form 1098-E provided for		
🗷 (B) Child and dependent care	x (B) Child and dependent care credit		\$600. Updated intake sheet (QR)		
☐ (B/A) Contributions to a retirement account	☐ (B/A) IRA (Basic if a Roth IRA or 401K)	No V	Sheet (QIV)		
(B) School supplies by a teacher, teacher's aide or other educator	☐ (B) Educator expenses deduction	\$ No V			
☐ (B) Alimony payments (do not include child support)	☐ (B) Alimony payments with spouse's SSN	\$ No V			
	Adjustment to income				

Use the Student Loan Interest Deduction Worksheet to determine if the correct amount is included on the tax return.



Based on the interview and the corresponding preparer notes, the preparer correctly used the standard deduction instead of itemized deductions on the return. Form 13614-C has a box to select which deduction is used on the tax return.

Income	1a	Total amount from Form(s) W-2, box 1 (see instructions)	1a	47532
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W-2G and	е	Taxable dependent care benefits from Form 2441, line 26	1e	5
1099-R if tax was withheld.	f	Employer-provided adoption benefits from Form 8839, line 29	1f	
If you did not	g	Wages from Form 8919, line 6	1g	
get a Form	h	Other earned income (see instructions)	1h	
W-2, see instructions.	i	Nontaxable combat pay election (see instructions)		100
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Single or Married filing	С	If you elect to use the lump-sum election method, check here (see instructions)		
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Married filing	8	Other income from Schedule 1, line 10	8	1200
jointly or Qualifying	9	Add lines 1z, 2b, 3b, 4b, 5b, 6b, 7, and 8. This is your total income	9	48732
surviving spouse, \$25,900	10	Adjustments to income from Schedule 1, line 26	10	600
Head of	11	Subtract line 10 from line 9. This is your adjusted gross income	11	48132
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any box under Standard	14	Add lines 12 and 13	14	25900
Deduction, see instructions.	15	Subtract line 14 from line 11. If zero or less, enter -0 This is your taxable income	15	22232

If the taxpayer is claiming itemized deductions, look at the documentation provided for the amounts claimed.

Schedule A includes the following items:

- Medical and Dental Expenses
- Taxes You Paid
- Interest You Paid

- Gifts to Charity (Contributions)
- Other Itemized Deductions

Next, look at the refundable and non-refundable credits indicated by the answers the taxpayer provided on Page 3 of Form 13614-C.

Paid any of the following expenses to itemize in 2024?	(To be completed by certified volunteer) Standard or Itemized Deductions	Notes/Comments			
(A) Mortgage Interest	☐ (A) 1098	# No √			
▼ (A) Taxes: state, local, real estate, sales, etc.					
(A) Medical, dental, prescription expenses	▼ (B) Standard deduction	on			
🗷 (A) Charitable contributions	\$500 donation to United Way				
Paid any of these expenses in 2024?	(To be completed by certified volunteer) Expenses to report Notes/Comments				
▼ (B) Student loan interest	<u>x</u> (B) 1098-E	_No √	Form 1098-E provided for		
▼ (B) Child and dependent care	x (B) Child and dependent care credit		\$600. Updated intake sheet (QR)		
☐ (B/A) Contributions to a retirement account	☐ (B/A) IRA (Basic if a Roth IRA or 401K)	No V	SHEET (QIV)		
(B) School supplies by a teacher, teacher's aide or other educator	(B) Educator expenses deduction	\$ No \			
(B) Alimony payments (do not include child support)	☐ (B) Alimony payments with spouse's SSN	\$ No V			
	Adjustment to income	x No			

Form 13614-C, page 3 shows the taxpayers had dependent care expenses. They provided the statement shown below, showing that they paid \$12,000 in childcare expenses. Next, confirm that the Child and Dependent Care Credit is calculated correctly using Form 2441. The allowable credit from Form 2441 is shown on Schedule 3 and page 2 of the Form 1040.

	Yourtown Child	Care Center			
	404 W Peach	tree Street			
	Atlanta, GA	A 30308			
	EIN: 55-11	2233X			
John and Jane Taxp	aver				
John and Jane Taxp	ayei				
Thank you for choos child care expenses	sing Yourtown Child Care Center as your o	child daycare pro	vider. During th	ne year, you	ı paid \$1,200 in
					lma
\$6,000					
				J	udy
\$6,000					,
We enjoy having Ima	a and Judy in our center.				
Form 2441	Child and Dependen	nt Care Expe	nses	(OMB No. 1545-0074
Form	•	•			2022
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Attach to Form 1040, 10 Go to <i>www.irs.gov/Form2441</i> for instru		st information.		Attachment Sequence No. 21
Name(s) shown on return					ecurity number
JOHN & JANE TAXE	PAYER			XXX-XX-0	0000
	dit for child and dependent care expenses if yo				
	e instructions under <i>Married Persons Filing Sep</i>				
	was a student or was disabled during 2022 an income rules listed in the instructions under If You				
Part I Persons of	or Organizations Who Provided the Car e more than three care providers, see the	re—You must co	omplete this pa	art. ox	
1 (a) Care provider's name	(b) Address (number, street, apt. no., city, state, and ZIP code)	(c) Identifying number (SSN or EIN)	(d) Was the care	provider your yee in 2022? enerally includes ycare centers.	(e) Amount paid (see instructions)
	404 W PEACHTREE ST			TT NI-	10000
YOURTOWN CHILD CARE	ATLANTA GA 30308	XX-XXXXXXX	Yes	x No	12000
			Yes	☐ No	
			□ Vos	□ No	

Confirm that the Child Tax Credit is calculated correctly using the schedules and worksheets provided in the Quality Review print set.

You want to verify if the taxpayers are eligible for the Additional Child Tax Credit because the Child Tax Credit is limited to their tax liability.

SCHEDULE 8812 **Credits for Qualifying Children** OMB No. 1545-0074 (Form 1040) and Other Dependents 20**22** Attach to Form 1040, 1040-SR, or 1040-NR. Department of the Treasury Attachment Sequence No. **47** Go to www.irs.gov/Schedule8812 for instructions and the latest information. Internal Revenue Service Name(s) shown on return Your social security number XXX-XX-0000 JOHN & JANE TAXPAYER Part I Child Tax Credit and Credit for Other Dependents Enter the amount from line 11 of your Form 1040, 1040-SR, or 1040-NR . 48132 2a Enter income from Puerto Rico that you excluded 2a 2b Enter the amounts from lines 45 and 50 of your Form 2555 . . . Enter the amount from line 15 of your Form 4563 Add lines 2a through 2c 2d3 3 48132 4 Number of qualifying children under age 17 with the required social security number 5 5 4000

The taxpayers are also eligible for the Earned Income Credit. Review the Schedule EIC and the worksheets to ensure the information populated correctly.

SCHEDULE EIC (Form 1040)

Earned Income Credit

Qualifying Child Information

2022

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Name(s) shown on return Complete and attach to Form 1040 or 1040-SR only if you have a qualifying child.

Go to www.irs.gov/ScheduleEIC for the latest information.

Attachment Sequence No. **43**

OMB No. 1545-0074

JOHN & JANE TAXPAYER

Your social security number

XXX-XX-0000

If you are separated from your spouse, filing a separate return, and meet the requirements to claim the EIC (see instructions), check here 🗌

Before you begin:

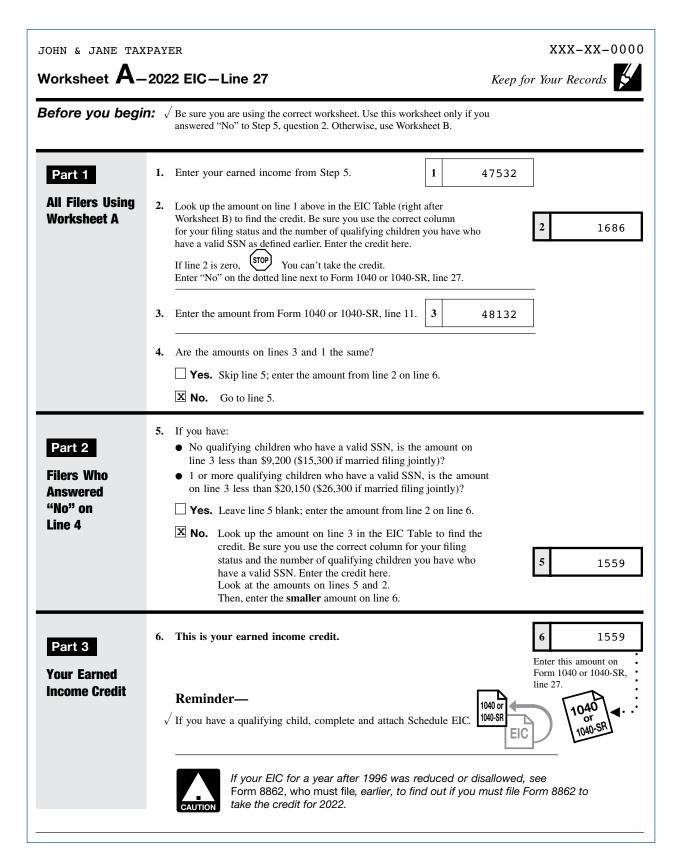
- See the instructions for Form 1040, line 27, to make sure that (a) you can take the EIC, and (b) you have a qualifying child.
- Be sure the child's name on line 1 and social security number (SSN) on line 2 agree with the child's social security card. Otherwise, at the time we process your return, we may reduce your EIC. If the name or SSN on the child's social security card is not correct, call the Social Security Administration at 800-772-1213.
- If you have a child who meets the conditions to be your qualifying child for purposes of claiming the EIC, but that child doesn't have an SSN as defined in the instructions for Form 1040, line 27, see the instructions.



- You can't claim the EIC for a child who didn't live with you for more than half of the year.
- If your child doesn't have an SSN as defined in the instructions for Form 1040, line 27, see the instructions.
- If you take the EIC even though you are not eligible, you may not be allowed to take the credit for up to 10 years. See the instructions for details.

Q	ualifying Child Information	<u> </u>	hild 1	CI	hild 2	CI	hild 3
1	Child's name If you have more than three qualifying children, you have to list only three to get the maximum credit.	First name	Last name	First name	Last name	First name	Last name
2	Child's SSN The child must have an SSN as defined in the instructions for Form 1040, line 27, unless the child was born and died in 2022 or you are claiming the self-only EIC (see instructions). If your child was born and died in 2022 and did not have an SSN, enter "Died" on this line and attach a copy of the child's birth certificate, death certificate, or hospital medical records showing a live birth.		-XX-1050		XX-5100		
3	Child's year of birth	younger than	0 1 4 003 and the child is you (or your spouse,), skip lines 4a and 5.	younger than y	003 and the child is to (or your spouse, skip lines 4a and 5.	younger than y	003 and the child is tou (or your spouse,), skip lines 4a and
4a	Was the child under age 24 at the end of 2022, a student, and younger than you (or your spouse, if filing jointly)?	Go to line 5.	No. Go to line 4b.	Go to line 5.	No. Go to line 4b.	Go to line 5.	No. Go to line 4b.
b	Was the child permanently and totally disabled during any part of 2022?	Go to line 5.	No. The child is not a qualifying child.	Go to line 5.	No. The child is not a qualifying child.	Yes. Go to line 5.	No. The child is not qualifying child
5	Child's relationship to you (for example, son, daughter, grandchild, niece, nephew, eligible foster child, etc.)	DAUGHTE	£R	DAUGHTE	R		
6	Number of months child lived with you in the United States during 2022 • If the child lived with you for more than half of 2022 but less than 7 months, enter "7." • If the child was born or died in 2022 and your home was the child's home for more than half the time he or she was alive during 2022, enter "12."		. 2 months r more than 12		2 months	Do not enter months.	months

QNA



If the taxpayer is entitled to other refundable or non-refundable credits, you must review the credit computations to ensure that the credits are allowable, and the amounts reported on the tax return are correct. Examples of other credits include the American Opportunity Credit, Lifetime Learning Credit, and Retirement Savings Contribution Credit.

Form 13614-C, Other Information to Report

Continue through the Form 13614-C and the tax return. If the taxpayer checked any other items that are applicable to their tax return, you must review the necessary documentation and ensure the amounts reported on the tax return and/or the forms and worksheets are correctly calculated.

Next, determine if the federal income tax withholding, estimated tax payments, and all other payments are correct.

Did any of the following happen during 2024?	(To be completed by certified volunteer) Information to rep	oort Notes/Comments
(B) You or someone in your family took educational classes	(B) Taxable scholarship income	
(technical school, college, job related, etc.)	☐ (B) 1098-T (itemized statement from school, invoice, etc.)	
	(B) Education credit or tuition and fees deduction	No V
(A) Sell a home	(A) C-lfb (4000 C)	No V
(A) Have a health savings account (HSA)	T 1104 1 1 1 1 1 T	No V
(A) Purchase health insurance through the Marketplace (Exchange)	T (1) 1005 1	No V
(A) Purchase and install energy-efficient home items (example:	(B) Energy efficient home improvement credit	
windows, furnace, insulation, etc.)		No V
 (A) Have credit card, mortgage, or other debt cancelled/forgiven by a lender 	(A) 1099-C	No V
(A) Have a loss related to a declared Federal disaster area	(A) 1099-A	
	☐ Disaster relief impacts return	No V
(B) Have a tax credit disallowed (example: earned income credit,	☐ (B) EITC, CTC, AOTC or HOH disallowed in a previous ye	
child tax credit, or American opportunity credit)		No V
Receive any letter or bill from the IRS	Eligible for Low Income Taxpayer Clinic referral	No V
(B) Make estimated tax payments or apply last year's refund to 2024 taxes	Estimated tax payments	No V
2024 laxes	Last year's refund applied to this year	No V
	☐ Last year's return available	No V
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Payments 25 Federal income tax withheld from:	05-	F710
a Form(s) W-2		5718
c Other forms (see instructions)	25b	
d Add lines 25a through 25c		. 25d 5718

Quality reviewer must ensure taxpayers understand what Marketplace Insurance is to avoid tax return being rejected. To help the taxpayer understand, the quality reviewer may have to ask clarifying question(s). If the individuals shown on the tax return purchased health insurance through the Marketplace, review the Form 1095-A, Health Insurance Marketplace Statement, and the entries in the software to determine if the Premium Tax Credit or the excess Advanced Premium Tax Credit are accurately calculated.

Confirm the site identification number (SIDN) is correct. This number is in the PTIN block of Form 1040, U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, page 2.

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