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accountants. RUN Powered by ADP Payroll for Partners is an offering designed specifically for accounting professionals that desire to add payroll processing to their offerings

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# **RUN Powered by ADP – Payroll for Partners**

# www.adp.com

**Best Fit:** RUN Powered by ADP Payroll for Partners, also referred to here as ADP RUN, is designed for accounting professionals that are interested in offering payroll and related services to their clients.

## **Product Strengths:**

- Cloud based- with an easy to use mobile interface available
- Offers excellent marketing tools to accounting firms that are just beginning to offer payroll and HR services
- Offers a solid selection of HR related tools
- Excellent support options available

#### **Potential Limitations**

• Product is not part of a practice management solution

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you can access a web browser. The Firm View provides users with access to a complete client list, also providing detail on client status (e.g., active, terminated, etc.), next check date, and client type. Clicking on a client will bring up the Admin view of the interface, where users can choose options such as Home, Employees, Company, Reports, Taxes, and General Ledger. The Home screen is easily navigated and features a variety of icons that will take the user to a particular function, so users can easily run payroll, , access HR functions, view reports, and process manual checks. Graphs are displayed at the bottom of the screen, detailing last payroll information, as well as payroll trends, and a To-Do list is displayed as well. The Home screen can be customized to suit the needs of the user.

Users can choose to enter payroll data in-house, or can provide system access to their clients, enabling them to enter payroll data. Users can then quickly enter payroll, preview the complete payroll, and review the payroll summary prior to processing. Once payroll is completed, users can choose from a variety of options displayed, including printing checks, reviewing and processing reports, and downloading payroll details to the General Ledger. Users can also view payroll liability reports directly from this screen as well. ADP handles all tax filings, including federal, state and local tax filing, as well as tax remittance processing.

ADP includes tax tables for all 50 states, and also includes the ability to process afterthe-fact payroll using the manual check options. Direct deposit to up to four separate bank accounts is also supported.

## Reporting & Monitoring: 4.5 Stars

ADP RUN offers an excellent selection of payroll and HR related reporting options. Users can simply access the reports section to display reporting options, which include Payroll, Taxes, Benefits, Miscellaneous, and Custom. Payroll reporting options include a Payroll Summary, Payroll Details, and Earnings Record, as well as

Earnings by Department, Payroll Liability, and Timecard Comparison reports. Tax

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### Integration/Import/Export: 5 Stars

ADP RUN allows users to easily import all payroll related journal entries into a variety of third-party accounting applications such as QuickBooks, QuickBooks Online, Creative Solutions, and Xero. Users can also export payroll data using a CSV format to provide additional import capability into other accounting systems. ADP also offers users a variety of payroll related applications that are designed to integrate with the payroll product, which include Human Resource Management, , Health Care Reform Management, ADP's Pay-by-Pay® Premium Payment Program , Tax and Compliance, and Time and Attendance systems.

## Help/Support: 5 Stars

ADP RUN offers excellent help functionality throughout the product by simply clicking on the question mark icon that is found on user interface screens throughout the product. Users are also provided with access to the CCH Resource Library and Learning Center, and toll-free product support is available during extended business hours. Users also have access to email support as well.

Each accounting firm is appointed their own dedicated sales associate that provides guidance as the system is implemented as well as provide tools for future use. Accounting firms are also provided with access to the Accountants Help Desk, which is staffed by professionals that can answer any payroll and HR related questions.

#### Client Self-Service Features: 5 Stars

ADP RUN offers users the ability to provide clients with system access, where they can manage items such as direct deposit information, as well as view current and prior paystubs, and even vacation and sick time accruals. If using the time entry feature, users can also quickly log in and out of the system to easily track working

hours. Those with access to the system can also view and print W-2's and other

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tools such as the ability to create custom brochures and flyers, along with other promotional materials designed to inform clients of new services available.

### **Summary & Pricing**

RUN Powered by ADP Payroll for Partners is designed for accounting professionals and offers a variety of tools and marketing resources to help solicit and retain new payroll and HR clients. Product pricing is variable, depending on the needs of the firm, and is available on upon request.

# 2016 Overall Rating: 5 Stars

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