



2018 PLANNER CS, v.2018.1.1

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This user bulletin describes changes made to this release of Planner CS® and special information related to the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) law changes.

CHANGES

Minor child tax calculations

This release of Planner CS includes the income tax calculation for a minor child as revised by the TCJA, which will apply the estate/trust ordinary and capital gains tax rates to the net unearned income of a minor child for tax years 2018 through 2025. Refer to the Other Taxes > Minor Child Tax - P1 tab for this change.

Age-based calculations

This release addresses an intermittent issue with age-based plan calculations. With this release, federal and state calculations based on the age of the taxpayer and spouse are functioning as expected.

Filing threshold for the ACA penalty calculation

With this release, Planner CS correctly calculates the 2018 filing threshold used in the calculation of the shared responsibility payment under the Affordable Care Act. Refer to the *Filing threshold* field on the ACA > ACA Penalty Pg 1 tab for this change.

Form 2210 underpayment penalty

The federal module is updated to include a 6% interest rate for tax underpayments for the first quarter of 2019.

State updates

The following state modules are updated with the most recent information available at the time of this release: Arizona, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Idaho, Iowa, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New York, North Dakota, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, and West Virginia.

SPECIAL INFORMATION

Planner CS state calculations and TCJA

The TCJA includes a wide range of federal individual tax law changes that will affect state taxation. State agencies are working to establish guidance as to how individual states will account for these changes; therefore, you should carefully review state tax plans for the effects of the TCJA, and edit your state plan accordingly.