

# Client Onboarding Guide

# Bradford Bookkeeping Inc

Welcome to Bradford Bookkeeping! We're excited to partner with you to maintain accurate books and help you make better financial decisions with less stress.

### What to Expect During Onboarding

**Timeline:** 1–2 weeks from start to completion

**Our Process:** - Initial consultation and needs assessment - Document collection and review - QuickBooks Online setup or review - Account connection and reconciliation - First month's bookkeeping and reporting

# Required Documents & Information

Please gather the following items to help us get started quickly:

- Previous tax return (most recent year)
- EIN letter (Employer Identification Number documentation)
- Organizational structure documents (LLC operating agreement, articles of incorporation, etc.)
- Bank and credit card login credentials (we use secure methods to collect these)
- Business background information (entity structure, services offered, business activities)
- Payment processing information (cash receipts tracking, any digital payment methods used)
- Current client/patient tracking system (if applicable)

#### How to Invite Your Accountant to QuickBooks Online

Follow these simple steps to grant Bradford Bookkeeping access to your QuickBooks Online account:

# Step-by-Step Instructions:

- Log in to QuickBooks Online
  - o Go to your QBO account at quickbooks.intuit.com
- Navigate to User Management
  - Click the Settings gear icon (top right corner)
  - Select Manage Users under "Your Company" section
- Add a New User
  - Click under Accounting Firms



- Choose Invite option
- Enter Accountant Information
  - Email: bradfordbkg@gmail.com
  - Add a personal message if desired
- Send the Invitation
  - Click Send Invitation
  - We'll receive an email and accept the invitation within 24 hours
- Confirmation
  - o You'll receive a notification once we've accepted access
  - We'll reach out to confirm we're in and ready to start

**Access Level:** Accountant users have full access to your books but cannot change company settings, billing information, or remove the primary admin.

### Communication & Support

**Business Hours:** Monday–Thursday, 8:00 AM–4:00 PM (Fri by appointment and closed weekends)

How to Reach Us:

Email: mpues@bradfordbkg.com

**Phone:** Available during business hours (702) 701-1832

Client Portal: For document sharing and secure communication

Live Chat: Available through Slack if requested

**Response Time:** We aim to respond to all inquiries within 1 business day.

### Monthly Bookkeeping Process

#### What We Do:

- Review and categorize all transactions
- Reconcile bank and credit card accounts
- Track cash receipts and deposits
- Record business expenses and vendor payments
- Generate monthly financial reports
- Assist with payroll, bill payments, and 1099 processing/filing
- Provide 15-day turnaround for monthly reconciliations

#### What We Need From You:

- Timely access to bank accounts and statements
- Cash receipt logs or daily deposit records



- Receipts for business expenses
- Vendor invoices and payment records
- Prompt responses to clarification questions

### Common Questions & Tips for Service-Based Businesses

### **Tracking Cash Payments**

If your practice operates on a cash-pay basis, accurate tracking is essential:

**Best Practices:** - Record all cash receipts daily (patient name, service, amount, date) - Deposit cash regularly to your business bank account - Keep a cash receipt log or use a simple tracking system - Never mix business cash with personal funds

What We'll Help You Track: - Daily/weekly cash collections - Bank deposits and reconciliation to cash receipts - Any outstanding patient balances (if applicable)

#### Common Expense Categories for Healthcare Practices

**Deductible Business Expenses:** - Office rent and utilities - Medical supplies and equipment - Professional liability insurance - Continuing education and certifications - Marketing and advertising - Professional memberships and subscriptions - Office supplies and software - Contract labor (virtual assistants, cleaning services, etc.)

#### **Important Distinctions:**

Equipment under \$2,500: Fully deductible in the current year

**Equipment over \$2,500**: May require depreciation over time.

### Keeping Clean Books

**Best Practices:** - Keep business and personal expenses completely separate - Save all receipts (digital or physical) - Note the business purpose for meals, travel, and conference expenses - Track mileage for business-related travel - Don't commingle business and personal bank accounts

# Managing 1099 Contractors

If you work with independent contractors (virtual assistants, cleaning services, consultants): - We'll track payments throughout the year - We'll prepare 1099s in January for any contractor paid \$600 or more - Keep W-9 forms on file for all contractors

## Financial Reporting & Deadlines

**Monthly Reports Include:** - Profit & Loss Statement - Balance Sheet - Cash flow summary - Expense breakdown by category



**Key Deadlines:** - Monthly bookkeeping: 15-day turnaround - Quarterly estimated tax planning support (if applicable) - Annual 1099 preparation (January) - Annual tax preparation support (we prepare books; your CPA files taxes)

### Pricing & Service Agreement

**Our Pricing:** - Minimum charge: \$85 per set of books - Hourly rate: \$75/hour for additional work - Pricing based on transaction volume and complexity

**Contract Terms:** - Month-to-month agreement (no long-term commitment) - Invoice sent monthly - Payment due upon receipt.

#### **Next Steps**

- Gather the required documents listed above and provide them through the portal onboarding questionnaire
- Invite us to QuickBooks Online using the instructions provided
- Complete our onboarding questionnaire (we'll send via portal)
- Set up your cash receipt tracking system (we can recommend simple methods)
- Schedule a follow-up call if needed to review your books

#### Questions?

We're here to help! Don't hesitate to reach out during business hours.

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