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**Issue:** An outside referral occurs when a contact (prospect) is referred from another real estate office or relocation company and a percentage of the commission is paid to referring company/agent. When a referral/relocation contact (prospect) is tracked in Pro Gold i2, referral fees can be added to the contact (prospect). When the contact (prospect) is linked to a property, the referral fee will be automatically added to the transaction.

**Resolution:** Setup Referral Fees and assign them to referral/relocation contacts (prospects).

- Setup Referral Fee Deduction
  - In the **Properties Tab**, select **"Company Deductions"**.
  - Select **"LS Professional Referral Fee"** from the drop-down at the top of the screen.
    - If "LS Professional Referral Fee" is not in the list, it can be added by selecting **"New"** at the bottom of the screen to create a new deduction.
  - Make changes to the deduction (Name, Amount/Percent, GL Account, etc) that will be used when the deduction is taken on the Listing Side of a transaction.
    - The "Vendor" field should be set to "Select Vendor" so that the appropriate company can be selected when the referral fee deduction is used.
  - Select **"SS Professional Referral Fee"** from the drop-down at the top of the screen and make the changes that will be needed when the deduction is used on the Selling Side of a transaction.
  - Click **"Save"** to save the changes that were made and **"Done"** to return to the Properties menu.
- Set the Referral Deduction as Default.
  - In the **Setup Tab**, select **"Change Company Info"**.
  - Select the **"Default 2"** tab.
  - Set the **"Default Seller Referral Deduction"** to the "LS Professional Referral Fee" deduction.
  - Set the **"Default Buyer Referral Deduction"** to the "SS Professional Referral Fee" deduction.
  - Click **"Save"** to save the changes and **"Done"** to return to the Setup menu.
- Create a Referral/Relocation Contact (Prospect).
  - In the **Contacts (Prospects) Tab**, select **"Contact Manager Professional (Work with Prospects)"**.
  - Click **"New"** to add a new contact (prospect).
  - Enter the contact (prospect) information and make sure to select **"Relocation"** as the **"Origin"** to classify the contact (prospect) as a referral/relocation contact (prospect). When the contact (prospect) is linked to a property, the referral fee will automatically be added to the transaction as a deduction.
  - Select the **"Referrals"** button and fill out the "Referral Co." and "%" fields. This information will be used to create the deduction.
- Link a Contact to a Property
  - In the Properties Tab, select the **"Work with Properties"** icon.
  - In the **"Property Search"** screen that appears, retrieve the desired property.
    - Use the search options at the top of the screen to select what criteria to use in searching for a property.
    - Type the criteria in the field at the bottom of the **"Property Search"** screen.
    - Highlight the desired property and click **"Retrieve"**.
  - Select the **"Buyer/Seller"** tab at the top of the property.

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- Next to the "Salutation" field of both the "Buyer Information" and "Seller Information" areas is a binoculars icon. Select the **binoculars** icon next to the side that the contact (prospect) will appear as (IE: Buyer or Seller).
- The "**Contact Search**" screen will appear.
- Search for the contact (prospect) that will be linked to this property.
- Pro Gold i2 will ask "Do you wish to replace the current data with the data from the contact record?". Click "**Yes**" to link the contact (prospect) to the property.
- The contact information will be added to the property record.
  - To edit the contact (prospect) record, use the "**Hands**" icon next to the binoculars to access the contact (prospect) record in the Contacts (Prospects) Tab.
- Note: The referral fee will be added to the "**Company Deductions**" list in the **Comm Tree Tab** of the property when "Populate Commission Tree" is selected. The Vendor will be the Referral Co. that was selected in the contact record and the % that was entered is used to calculate the referral fee.

**References:** Below is a link you can use to access Enhancement HelpNet Center resources, which includes the Knowledge Base Article (KBA) Library, Pro Gold i2 Documentation, and Training Webcasts:

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