

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) published its proposed rule for replacing the home health Medicare Prospective Payment System (PPS) with the Patient-Driven Groupings Model (PDGM) effective January 1, 2020.

PDGM would require claims to be paid based on 30-day payment periods instead of 60-day episodes. The data below was published by CMS to help home health agencies estimate the number of payment periods and corresponding payment change under PDGM compared to PPS. All data other than the number of agencies has been rounded to the nearest thousand.

Agency Characteristics	Number of Agencies	Actual 60-day PPS Episodes	Actual 60-day PPS Payment	Estimated 30-day Payment Periods	Estimated Payment Under PDGM	Estimated Payment Change Under PDGM
All Florida agencies	926	508	\$ 1,574,422	843	\$ 1,433,719	-8.9%
Freestanding agencies	908	488	\$ 1,523,538	815	\$ 1,383,564	-9.2%
Facility-based agencies	18	20	\$ 50,884	28	\$ 50,155	-1.4%
For-profit agencies	846	444	\$ 1,395,908	747	\$ 1,265,051	-9.4%
Government owned agencies	9	6	\$ 18,624	10	\$ 16,935	-9.1%
Non-profit agencies	71	58	\$ 159,891	86	\$ 151,733	-5.1%
Rural agencies	18	12	\$ 33,881	20	\$ 31,802	-6.1%
Urban agencies	908	496	\$ 1,540,541	823	\$ 1,401,918	-9.0%
Lowest nursing visits	303	164	\$ 535,547	273	\$ 460,499	-14.0%
Next lowest nursing visits	272	224	\$ 674,336	370	\$ 622,207	-7.7%
Second highest nursing visits	194	92	\$ 274,409	150	\$ 260,717	-5.0%
Highest nursing visits	157	29	\$ 90,129	50	\$ 90,296	0.2%
All South Atlantic agencies	1,643	1,194	\$ 3,528,518	1,981	\$ 3,340,720	-5.3%
Freestanding agencies	1,528	1,091	\$ 3,266,030	1,825	\$ 3,075,332	-5.8%
Facility-based agencies	115	103	\$ 262,489	156	\$ 265,388	1.1%
For-profit agencies	1,354	931	\$ 2,816,886	1,579	\$ 2,637,343	-6.4%
Government owned agencies	53	31	\$ 79,777	49	\$ 80,019	0.3%
Non-profit agencies	236	232	\$ 631,856	354	\$ 623,358	-1.3%
Rural agencies	190	124	\$ 322,650	213	\$ 323,731	0.3%
Urban agencies	1,453	1,070	\$ 3,205,868	1,768	\$ 3,016,989	-5.9%
Lowest nursing visits	626	465	\$ 1,458,074	770	\$ 1,313,940	-9.9%
Next lowest nursing visits	540	533	\$ 1,521,400	885	\$ 1,474,530	-3.1%
Second highest nursing visits	298	164	\$ 452,354	271	\$ 453,934	0.3%
Highest nursing visits	179	32	\$ 96,689	56	\$ 98,316	1.7%

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