

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 Ohio agencies	532	188	\$ 529,662	314	\$ 513,470	-3.1%
Freestanding agencies	508	171	\$ 484,225	286	\$ 468,667	-3.2%
Facility-based agencies	24	17	\$ 45,437	27	\$ 44,803	-1.4%
For-profit agencies	425	121	\$ 352,901	208	\$ 337,746	-4.3%
Government owned agencies	16	3	\$ 7,262	4	\$ 7,090	-2.4%
Non-profit agencies	91	64	\$ 169,499	101	\$ 168,634	-0.5%
Rural agencies	98	32	\$ 85,975	54	\$ 84,805	-1.4%
Urban agencies	434	156	\$ 443,687	259	\$ 428,665	-3.4%
Lowest nursing visits	160	65	\$ 201,349	107	\$ 178,269	-11.5%
Next lowest nursing visits	133	84	\$ 229,330	137	\$ 228,433	-0.4%
Second highest nursing visits	86	31	\$ 80,711	54	\$ 85,465	5.9%
Highest nursing visits	153	8	\$ 18,272	15	\$ 21,303	16.6%
All East North Central agencies	2,012	783	\$ 2,274,234	1,320	\$ 2,249,386	-1.1%
Freestanding agencies	1,888	694	\$ 2,034,200	1,183	\$ 2,005,561	-1.4%
Facility-based agencies	124	89	\$ 240,034	137	\$ 243,825	1.6%
For-profit agencies	1,657	512	\$ 1,535,620	898	\$ 1,501,550	-2.2%
Government owned agencies	62	15	\$ 41,303	24	\$ 40,730	-1.4%
Non-profit agencies	293	256	\$ 697,311	398	\$ 707,106	1.4%
Rural agencies	250	89	\$ 234,743	147	\$ 236,930	0.9%
Urban agencies	1,762	694	\$ 2,039,491	1,173	\$ 2,012,455	-1.3%
Lowest nursing visits	747	258	\$ 838,620	431	\$ 744,073	-11.3%
Next lowest nursing visits	452	288	\$ 819,622	468	\$ 818,267	-0.2%
Second highest nursing visits	395	175	\$ 465,053	301	\$ 502,603	8.1%
Highest nursing visits	418	63	\$ 150,939	120	\$ 184,443	22.2%

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