



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 Oregon agencies	57	32	\$ 101,069	54	\$ 105,764	4.6%
Freestanding agencies	35	23	\$ 77,223	40	\$ 79,160	2.5%
Facility-based agencies	22	8	\$ 23,846	14	\$ 26,604	11.6%
For-profit agencies	25	15	\$ 51,382	26	\$ 50,796	-1.1%
Government owned agencies	6	0	\$ 961	1	\$ 1,141	18.7%
Non-profit agencies	26	16	\$ 48,726	27	\$ 53,827	10.5%
Rural agencies	23	7	\$ 19,046	11	\$ 20,570	8.0%
Urban agencies	34	25	\$ 82,024	43	\$ 85,194	3.9%
Lowest nursing visits	22	13	\$ 46,069	22	\$ 44,419	-3.6%
Next lowest nursing visits	19	13	\$ 38,385	22	\$ 42,004	9.4%
Second highest nursing visits	12	6	\$ 15,903	10	\$ 18,406	15.7%
Highest nursing visits	4	0	\$ 713	1	\$ 935	31.2%
All Pacific agencies	1,400	609	\$ 2,205,562	1,039	\$ 2,289,481	3.8%
Freestanding agencies	1,312	559	\$ 2,045,548	962	\$ 2,116,069	3.4%
Facility-based agencies	88	50	\$ 160,015	77	\$ 173,412	8.4%
For-profit agencies	1,205	478	\$ 1,764,603	834	\$ 1,816,379	2.9%
Government owned agencies	32	11	\$ 34,275	18	\$ 36,811	7.4%
Non-profit agencies	163	120	\$ 406,684	187	\$ 436,292	7.3%
Rural agencies	60	28	\$ 85,860	45	\$ 91,461	6.5%
Urban agencies	1,340	582	\$ 2,119,703	994	\$ 2,198,020	3.7%
Lowest nursing visits	167	111	\$ 424,057	181	\$ 397,680	-6.2%
Next lowest nursing visits	237	151	\$ 574,270	244	\$ 584,745	1.8%
Second highest nursing visits	504	199	\$ 709,354	347	\$ 747,298	5.3%
Highest nursing visits	492	148	\$ 497,882	267	\$ 559,759	12.4%

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