

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

PDGM requires 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.

Note: The data below **does not** account for a proposed reduction of 6.42% in 2020 payment rates for "behavioral adjustments."

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 Illinois agencies	671	271	\$ 798,882	469	\$ 819,855	2.6%
Freestanding agencies	634	239	\$ 711,411	422	\$ 729,900	2.6%
Facility-based agencies	37	32	\$ 87,471	48	\$ 89,956	2.8%
For-profit agencies	586	200	\$ 605,080	363	\$ 621,892	2.8%
Government owned agencies	22	4	\$ 10,843	7	\$ 11,067	2.1%
Non-profit agencies	63	66	\$ 182,959	100	\$ 186,896	2.2%
Rural agencies	45	16	\$ 42,679	25	\$ 42,844	0.4%
Urban agencies	626	255	\$ 756,203	444	\$ 777,012	2.8%
Lowest nursing visits	121	57	\$ 194,346	94	\$ 172,552	-11.2%
Next lowest nursing visits	157	97	\$ 292,177	157	\$ 290,258	-0.7%
Second highest nursing visits	179	68	\$ 190,610	123	\$ 207,111	8.7%
Highest nursing visits	214	49	\$ 121,749	95	\$ 149,934	23.1%
All East North Central agencies	2,019	811	\$ 2,361,915	1,361	\$ 2,331,364	-1.3%
Freestanding agencies	1,898	719	\$ 2,112,194	1,221	\$ 2,079,891	-1.5%
Facility-based agencies	121	92	\$ 249,722	141	\$ 251,473	0.7%
For-profit agencies	1,665	529	\$ 1,591,636	925	\$ 1,558,167	-2.1%
Government owned agencies	62	16	\$ 43,278	25	\$ 42,497	-1.8%
Non-profit agencies	292	265	\$ 727,001	412	\$ 730,699	0.5%
Rural agencies	247	92	\$ 246,963	150	\$ 247,484	0.2%
Urban agencies	1,772	719	\$ 2,114,953	1,211	\$ 2,083,880	-1.5%
Lowest nursing visits	751	263	\$ 856,341	438	\$ 760,246	-11.2%
Next lowest nursing visits	453	304	\$ 868,432	493	\$ 863,085	-0.6%
Second highest nursing visits	395	180	\$ 483,163	309	\$ 519,731	7.6%
Highest nursing visits	420	64	\$ 153,981	121	\$ 188,302	22.3%

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