

PDPM Grouper JAR Package V2.0000_BETA

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Introduction

This is the 10th revision to the initial release of the Patient-Driven Payment Model (PDPM) Grouper software. This is a BETA release V2.0000 of the PDPM Grouper as a Java Archive (JAR) library, replicating the previous DLL functionality in V1.0009 of the PDPM Grouper DLL. A list of previous DLL and JAR versions will be maintained in the Version History section of this document.

Effective beginning October 1, 2019, the PDPM began to be used under the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Prospective Payment System (PPS) for classifying SNF patients in a covered Part A stay.

Effective beginning October 1, 2020, the PDPM began to be used for OBRA assessments where A0310A = [01,02,03,04,05,06] and A0310B = [99] and target date was on or after October 1, 2020.

Please note the following:

- Use of the PDPM for OBRA assessment calculation is state-optional – each state must specify whether it requires the PDPM calculation for its OBRA's.
- FY2021 ICD-10 primary codes must be used for I0020B in these assessments.
- Also, FY2021 ICD-10 secondary codes must be used for the I8000A-J items in these assessments.

For detailed information on the PDPM logic, please visit <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Quality-Initiatives-Patient-Assessment-Instruments/NursingHomeQualityInits/MDS30RAIManual.html> and refer to Chapter 6 in the latest version of the RAI Manual.

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Description

This package contains the Java source code as well as a compiled Java Archive (JAR) library.

NOTE: This package is intended for vendors/developers to include in their software.

For users looking for an external program that can be used to send assessments to the JAR and display the results, please go to the MDS Technical Information page and download the latest version of the jRAVEN software. With this software, assessments can be imported, then validated, along with obtaining PDPM result values.

Interfacing with the JAR

There are three public methods provided for use by other programs to pass MDS information into the PDPM grouper.

Method 1: *Pdpm.exec (String line)*

Method 2: *Pdpm.exec (SnfClaim claim)*

Method 3: *Pdpm.exec (File snfFile)*

Note: While there are three public methods, there are other protected methods with similar names and parameters that are used for testing and do not need to be used by end users for processing.

Descriptions of the necessary classes, methods, input parameters and return values are described below.

Parameter Definitions

Class: Pdpm.java			
Parameter Name	Parameter Type	Data Type	Description
line	Input	String	A 3690-byte fixed-length string containing an MDS assessment in the format defined by the MDS 3.0 Data Specifications V3.00.1, which went into production on October 1st, 2019.
claim	Input	SnfClaim	SnfClaim is a Java class contained in the PDPM Grouper JAR with fields to store the relevant inputs and outputs related to an MDS assessment.
snfFile	Input	File	A java.util.File containing one or more fixed-length strings containing MDS assessments.

Class: SnfClaim.java				
Parameter Name	I/O	Data Type	Method	Description
assessmentSystem	I	String	setAssessmentSystem	MDS Assessment System Code
birthdate	I	LocalDate	setBirthDate	java.time.LocalDate representing the birth date of the patient in the MDS assessment
admissionDate	I	LocalDate	setAdmissionDate	java.time.LocalDate representing the admission date of the patient in the MDS assessment
assessments	I	List<Assessment>	setAssessments(List), addAssessment(Assessment)	Quality measures of the patient in the MDS assessment consisting of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> String – name String – item Integer – value boolean – isBlank boolean – isAssessed Assessment.java located in gov.cms.grouper.snf.model package.
dischargeDate	I	LocalDate	setDischargeDate	java.time.LocalDate representing the discharge date of the patient in the MDS assessment
assessmentReferenceDate	I	LocalDate	setAssessmentReferenceDate	java.time.LocalDate representing the assessment reference date (target date) of the patient in the MDS assessment
primaryDiagnosis	I	SnfDiagnosisCode	setPrimaryDiagnosis	Primary diagnosis of the MDS assessment consisting of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> String – value String – clinicalCategory String – speechCategory String – nutritionalCategory SnfDiagnosisCode.java located in gov.cms.grouper.snf.model package.

Class: SnfClaim.java				
Parameter Name	I/O	Data Type	Method	Description
obra	I	Integer	setObra	The OBRA value on the MDS assessment
secondaryDiagnoses	I	List<SnfDiagnosisCode>	setSecondaryDiagnoses(List), addSecondaryDiagnosis(SnfDiagnosisCode)	The secondary diagnoses of the MDS assessment consisting of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> String – value String – clinicalCategory String – speechCategory String – nutritionalCategory SnfDiagnosisCode.java located in gov.cms.grouper.snf.model package.
hippsCode	O	String	getHippsCode	The resulting 5-character HIPPS Code returned by the method.
errors	O	List<String>	getErrors	A java.util.List of Strings comprised of an error number and the error description. If no errors were encountered in the processing then the list will be empty.
version	O	Int	getVersion	NOTE: For BETA, this field is defaulted to 0 on the SnfClaim object, or equal to the fixed length input value for fixed length input claims. This field will be updated for the final 2.000 JAR release. An int representing the logic version of the PDPM grouper used to calculate the HIPPS Code.

In addition to retrieving the output from the SnfClaim object via the output methods listed above, the fixed length MDS string, including calculated HIPPS code and version (not included in 2.000_BETA), can be retrieved by passing the processed claim into `Pdpm.getClaimFixedString(SnfClaim snfClaim)`.

Errors

Each SnfClaim object can store a List<String> of errors. Multiple errors can exist on the same SnfClaim object. The list of possible errors is contained in the table below.

Error String
0) "Assessment reference date is missing or is invalid: <value>"
1) "Invalid A0310A: <value> or A0310B: <value>"
2) "Line length must be 3690 bytes in accordance with MDS version referenced in PDPM Grouper Jar Package document: length: <value>"
3) "Unknown process error: <message>"

Test Data

Test submission data files have been provided in the zip file "PDPM_V200_Beta_Test_Data.zip", so that vendors may confirm that their software is generating the correct results. The correct PDPM scores for each assessment are stored in Z0100A (positions 1344-1350 of the assessment fixed-length string) and Z0100B (positions 1351-1360 of the assessment fixed-length string).

Version History

DLL Version History

Version	Comments
1.0000	This was the initial production release.
1.0001	This was a jRAVEN-only release, and not available separately. It resolved the following issues:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the method BehavioralSymptomsStep2 the value of 0 was treated as a not assessed/not complete. As a result the staff assessment was being used to determine cognitive performance. - The ConversionFunctionTwoDigit function was not handling the “-“ and “^” characters, which was resulting in the default 0 being returned. - When determining the NTA score for number of “Stage 4 Unhealed Pressure Ulcer Currently present” the value must be greater than 0. The method DetermineUnhealedPressure only checked for a value of 1.
1.0002	<p>This was the second production release. It resolved the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The code “CheckImpairment = (ImpairIndicate1, ImpairIndicate2)” was incorrect, and was modified to be “CheckImpairment = CheckImpair(ImpairIndicate1, ImpairIndicate2).” - There are 20 ICD codes that can score under multiple conditions for the NTA component. The PDPM code was only allowing those ICD codes to score once.
1.0003	<p>This was the third production release. It resolved the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SLP Category: Modified logic to account for [S020XXD] in I0020B when Non-Orthopedic Surgery eligible and the patient has had a recent surgery that is a non-orthopedic Surgery. - SLP Category: Modified the logic to account for [S34111D] in I0020B when Orthopedic Surgery eligible and the patient has NOT had a recent surgery. - Cognitive Level: Modified the code so that it applies logic to look for “1” in B0100 instead of looking for “01”. - In the event an ICD10 code was not found in the applicable list for item I0020B, the method DeterminePrimaryDiagnosis returned an index of 0, which was incorrectly indicating the code “A000” and, therefore, the clinical category “Acute Infections” instead of being handled as a “Return to Provider.” It was modified to return -1.
1.0004	<p>This is the fourth production release. It adds support for the new COVID-19 ICD-10-CM code, U07.1, which is a valid code for use with MDS assessments with target date on or after April 1, 2020.</p>
1.0005	<p>This was the BETA for the fifth production release. It supported calculation of HIPPS codes for assessments with A0310A = [01,02,03,04,05,06] and A0310B = [99]. It DID NOT contain support for FY2021 ICD-10 codes, which will be used with MDS assessments with target date on or after October 1, 2020. For the BETA, FY2020 codes were used for all MDS assessments.</p> <p>Note that the BETA documentation indicated that the Version value was 1.0005B; however, the DLL was actually returning 1.0005. Therefore, it was decided to increment the product version to 1.0006.</p>
1.0006	<p>This was the sixth release (fifth production release, since 1.0005 was a beta release). As with the previous beta release, it supported calculation of HIPPS codes for assessments with A0310A = [01,02,03,04,05,06] and A0310B = [99]. It also contained support for FY2021 ICD-10 codes, which must be used for MDS assessments with target date on or after October 1, 2020.</p> <p>IMPORTANT NOTE: The I8000A-J items began to be versioned in the grouper. Therefore, FY2021 ICD-10 codes must be used for the I8000A-J items for MDS assessments with target date on or after October 1, 2020.</p>
1.0007	<p>This is the seventh release (sixth production release, since 1.0005 was a beta release). This release adds six ICD-10 codes that were inadvertently excluded from the NTA calculation in V1.0006:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • T8484XA • T8389XA • T8321XA • T82399A • T82392A • T83021A

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1.0008	This is the eighth release (seventh production release, since 1.0005 was a beta release). This release corrects an issue with a dynamic array that was not consistently reinitialized when processing multiple assessments within a short time frame. This occasionally caused incorrect PDPM recalculation results when processing pre- and post- 10/01/2020 assessments.
1.0009	<p>This is the ninth release (eighth production release, since 1.0005 was a beta release). This release adds support for new ICD-10 codes that can be used for assessments with target date of January 1, 2021 and later: Z11.52, Z20.822, Z86.16, M35.81, M35.89 and J12.82. Note that one ICD-10 code that was already in production, M35.8, will not be allowed in assessments with target date on or after January 1, 2021, since it is replaced by the two new codes, M35.81 and M35.89.</p> <p>UPDATE: In addition, there were three sets of NTA Comorbidity mappings that were incorrect for ICD-10 changes made on 10/01/2020. The following corrections were made:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Immune Disorders (RxCC97): D848 removed; D8481, D84821, D84822, D8489 added. 2. Pulmonary Fibrosis and Other Chronic Lung Disorders (RxCC227): J8417 removed; J84170, J84178 added. 3. Complications of Specified Implanted Device or Graft (RxCC176): T86842 removed; T868421, T868422, T868423, T868429 added.

JAR Version History

Version	Comments
2.0000_B ETA	This is the first public version of the JAR. It is released as a beta version which replicates the DLL v1.0009 functionalities and underlying logic. It DOES NOT contain support for FY2022 ICD-10 codes, which will be used with MDS assessments with target date on or after October 1, 2021. For the BETA, FY2021 codes were used for all MDS assessments.

Contact Information

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