



FY 2020 PDPM Per Diem Rates

The FY 2020 SNF PPS Proposed Rule (released April 19, 2019) outlines the following regarding per diem rates for PDPM:

TABLE 3: FY 2020 Unadjusted Federal Rate – URBAN

Rate Component	PT	OT	SLP	Nursing	NTA	Non-Case-Mix
Per Diem Amount	\$61.16	\$56.93	\$22.83	\$106.64	\$80.45	\$95.48

TABLE 4: FY 2020 Unadjusted Federal Rate – RURAL

Rate Component	PT	OT	SLP	Nursing	NTA	Non-Case-Mix
Per Diem Amount	\$69.72	\$64.03	\$28.76	\$101.88	\$76.86	\$97.25

PDPM Health Insurance Prospective Payment System (HIPPS) code structure represents the five separate case mix groups:

- The first character represents the PT and OT groups (e.g., CMG TA = A).
- The second character represents SLP (e.g., CMG SB = B).
- The third character represents Nursing.
- The fourth NTA.
- The fifth the assessment used to generate the HIPPS code.

In the Tables 6 and 7 below (taken directly from the Proposed Rule), Column 1 represents the character in the HIPPS code associated with a given PDPM component, with the specific component CMI and rates listed in each subsequent column. The rates in these tables do not reflect any adjustments related to SNF QRP, SNF VBP program, or the variable per diem adjustment. In addition, the wage index adjustment (based on location/CBSA) is not included.

TABLE 6: PDPM Case-Mix Adjusted Federal Rate and Associated Indexes - URBAN

PDPM Group	PT CMI	PT (\$) Rate	OT CMI	OT (\$) Rate	SLP CMI	SLP (\$) Rate	Nursing CMG	Nursing CMI	Nursing (\$) Rate	NTA CMI	NTA (\$) Rate
A	1.53	93.57	1.49	84.93	0.68	15.52	ES3	4.06	432.96	3.24	260.66
B	1.70	103.97	1.63	92.80	1.82	41.55	ES2	3.07	327.38	2.53	203.54
C	1.88	114.98	1.69	96.21	2.67	60.96	ES1	2.93	312.46	1.84	148.03
D	1.92	117.43	1.53	87.10	1.46	33.33	HDE2	2.40	255.94	1.33	107.00
E	1.42	86.85	1.41	80.27	2.34	53.42	HDE1	1.99	212.21	0.96	77.23
F	1.61	98.47	1.60	91.09	2.98	68.03	HBC2	2.24	238.87	0.72	57.92
G	1.67	102.14	1.64	93.37	2.04	46.57	HBC1	1.86	198.35	-	-
H	1.16	70.95	1.15	65.47	2.86	65.29	LDE2	2.08	221.81	-	-
I	1.13	69.11	1.18	67.18	3.53	80.59	LDE1	1.73	184.49	-	-
J	1.42	86.85	1.45	82.55	2.99	68.26	LBC2	1.72	183.42	-	-
K	1.52	92.96	1.54	87.67	3.70	84.47	LBC1	1.43	152.50	-	-
L	1.09	66.66	1.11	63.19	4.21	96.11	CDE2	1.87	199.42	-	-
M	1.27	77.67	1.30	74.01	-	-	CDE1	1.62	172.76	-	-
N	1.48	90.52	1.50	85.40	-	-	CBC2	1.55	165.29	-	-
O	1.55	94.80	1.55	88.24	-	-	CA2	1.09	116.24	-	-



PDPM Group	PT CMI	PT (\$) Rate	OT CMI	OT (\$) Rate	SLP CMI	SLP (\$) Rate	Nursing CMG	Nursing CMI	Nursing (\$) Rate	NTA CMI	NTA (\$) Rate
P	1.08	66.05	1.09	62.05	-	-	CBC1	1.34	142.90	-	-
Q	-	-	-	-	-	-	CA1	0.94	100.24	-	-
R	-	-	-	-	-	-	BAB2	1.04	110.91	-	-
S	-	-	-	-	-	-	BAB1	0.99	105.57	-	-
T	-	-	-	-	-	-	PDE2	1.57	167.42	-	-
U	-	-	-	-	-	-	PDE1	1.47	156.76	-	-
V	-	-	-	-	-	-	PBC2	1.22	130.10	-	-
W	-	-	-	-	-	-	PA2	0.71	75.71	-	-
X	-	-	-	-	-	-	PBC1	1.13	120.50	-	-
Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	PA1	0.66	70.38	-	-

TABLE 7: PDPM Case-Mix Adjusted Federal Rate and Associated Indexes - RURAL

PDPM Group	PT CMI	PT (\$) Rate	OT CMI	OT (\$) Rate	SLP CMI	SLP (\$) Rate	Nursing CMG	Nursing CMI	Nursing (\$) Rate	NTA CMI	NTA (\$) Rate
A	1.53	106.67	1.49	95.40	0.68	19.56	ES3	4.06	413.63	3.24	249.03
B	1.70	118.52	1.63	104.37	1.82	52.34	ES2	3.07	312.77	2.53	194.46
C	1.88	131.07	1.69	108.21	2.67	76.79	ES1	2.93	298.51	1.84	141.42
D	1.92	133.86	1.53	97.97	1.46	41.99	HDE2	2.40	244.51	1.33	102.22
E	1.42	99.00	1.41	90.28	2.34	67.30	HDE1	1.99	202.74	0.96	73.79
F	1.61	112.25	1.60	102.45	2.98	85.70	HBC2	2.24	228.21	0.72	55.34
G	1.67	116.43	1.64	105.01	2.04	58.67	HBC1	1.86	189.50	-	-
H	1.16	80.88	1.15	73.63	2.86	82.25	LDE2	2.08	211.91	-	-
I	1.13	78.78	1.18	75.56	3.53	101.52	LDE1	1.73	176.25	-	-
J	1.42	99.00	1.45	92.84	2.99	85.99	LBC2	1.72	175.23	-	-
K	1.52	105.97	1.54	98.61	3.70	106.41	LBC1	1.43	145.69	-	-
L	1.09	75.99	1.11	71.07	4.21	121.08	CDE2	1.87	190.52	-	-
M	1.27	88.54	1.30	83.24	-	-	CDE1	1.62	165.05	-	-
N	1.48	103.19	1.50	96.05	-	-	CBC2	1.55	157.91	-	-
O	1.55	108.07	1.55	99.25	-	-	CA2	1.09	111.05	-	-
P	1.08	75.30	1.09	69.79	-	-	CBC1	1.34	136.52	-	-
Q	-	-	-	-	-	-	CA1	0.94	95.77	-	-
R	-	-	-	-	-	-	BAB2	1.04	105.96	-	-
S	-	-	-	-	-	-	BAB1	0.99	100.86	-	-
T	-	-	-	-	-	-	PDE2	1.57	159.95	-	-
U	-	-	-	-	-	-	PDE1	1.47	149.76	-	-
V	-	-	-	-	-	-	PBC2	1.22	124.29	-	-
W	-	-	-	-	-	-	PA2	0.71	72.33	-	-
X	-	-	-	-	-	-	PBC1	1.13	115.12	-	-
Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	PA1	0.66	67.24	-	-



TABLE 8: Labor-Related Relative Importance, FY 2019 and FY 2020

	Relative Importance, Labor-Related, FY 2019 18:2 Forecast	Relative Importance, Labor-Related, FY 2020 19:1 Forecast
Wages and Salaries	50.2	50.6
Employee Benefits	10.1	10.0
Professional Fees: Labor-Related	3.7	3.7
Administrative & Facilities Support Services	0.5	0.5
Installation, Maintenance & Repair Services	0.6	0.6
All Other: Labor Related Services	2.5	2.5
Capital-Related (0.391)	2.9	2.9
Total	70.5	70.8

CMS provides an example of the calculation of the adjusted per diem rate (prior to any adjustments related to the SNF QRP or VBP) for a hypothetical patient in a hypothetical SNF located in Frederick, MD (Urban CBSA 43524). This patient is classified into the various PDPM CMGs such that the patient’s PDPM HIPPS code is NHNC1 (PT/OT = TN, SLP = SH, Nursing CBC2, NTA = NC) on the 5-day MDS assessment.

TABLE 9: PDPM Case-Mix Adjusted Rate Computation Example

Per Diem Rate Calculation				
Component	Component Group	Component Rate	VBP Adj Factor	VPD Adj Rate
PT	TN	90.52	1.00	90.52
OT	TN	85.40	1.00	85.40
SLP	SH	65.29	-	65.29
Nursing	CBC2	165.29	-	165.29
NTA	NC	148.03	3.00	444.09
Non-Case-Mix	-	95.48	-	95.48
Total PDPM Case-Mix Adjusted Per Diem				\$946.07

TABLE 10: Wage Index Adjusted Rate Computation Example

PDPM Wage Index Adjustment Calculation						
HIPPS Code	PDPM Case-Mix Adj Per Diem	Labor Portion	Wage Index	Wage Index Adj Rate	Non-Labor Portion	Total Case Mix & Wage Index Adj Rate
NHNC1	\$946.07	\$669.82	0.9757	\$653.54	\$276.25	\$929.79

To obtain the Labor Portion of the rate, the Total PDPM Case-Mix Adjusted Per Diem rate is multiplied by the Labor Percentage (See Table 8 – 70.8 percent or 0.708) - \$669.82. The Labor Portion is then multiplied by the Wage Index (specific to each location/CBSA) to obtain the Wage Index Adjusted Rate - \$653.54. Wage Index Adj Rate + Non-Labor Portion = Total Case Mix and Wage Index Adj Rate - \$929.79.



This per diem rate applies for the first three days of the stay, when the NTA variable per diem (VPD) adjustment is 3.00. Beginning day 4, the NTA VPD drops to 1.00 and the daily per diem becomes \$638.83 for days 4-20. Beginning day 21, the PT and OT VPD decreases 2 percent to 0.98 – and the daily rate drops to \$635.37. Beginning day 28, the PT/OT VPD drops to 0.96, and so on. CMS completes these calculations for a 30-day LOS in Table 11. The total payment to the SNF for this patient (HIPPS NHNC1) for a 30-day stay is \$19,992.80.