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| 6 | — | — | Updated language throughout to be gender neutral. | | | | |
| 6 | 6.6 | 6-12 | The PDPM cognitive level is utilized in the SLP payment component of PDPM. One of four PDPM cognitive performance levels is assigned based on the Brief Interview for Mental Status (BIMS) or the Staff Assessment for Mental Status for the PDPM cognitive level. If neither the BIMS nor the staff assessment for the PDPM cognitive level is complete, then the PDPM cognitive level cannot be assigned and the resident will be classified as if the resident is cognitively intact. | | | | |
| 6 | 6.6 | 6-13 | <p>a. Comatose (B0100 = 1) and completely dependent or activity did not occur at admission (GG0130A1, GG0130C1, GG0170B1, GG0170C1, GG0170D1, GG0170E1, and GG0170F1 all equal 01, 09, or 88). It should be noted that, in the case of an IPA, the items used for calculation of the resident's PDPM functional score are the Interim Performance items (GG0XXXX5), rather than the Admission Performance items (GG0XXXX1). For example, rather than GG0130B1, which is used on the 5-Day to assess the resident's Oral Hygiene Admission Performance, the IPA uses item GG0130B5 in order to measure the resident's Oral Hygiene Interim Performance.</p> | | | | |
| 6 | 6.6 | 6-26 | <table><tr><td>O01010E21b</td><td>Tracheostomy Care While a Resident</td></tr><tr><td>O01010F21b</td><td>Invasive Mechanical Ventilator or Respirator While a Resident</td></tr></table> | O01010E21b | Tracheostomy Care While a Resident | O01010F21b | Invasive Mechanical Ventilator or Respirator While a Resident |
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| 6 | 6.6 | 6-27 | <p>STEP #6</p> <p>Determine whether the resident has a swallowing disorder using item K0100. If any of the conditions indicated in items K0100A through K0100D is present, then the resident has a swallowing disorder. If none of these conditions is present, the resident does not have a swallowing disorder for purposes of this calculation.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Presence of Swallowing Disorder? (Yes/No) _____</p> <p>STEP #7</p> <p>Determine whether the resident has a mechanically altered diet. If K05+20C23 (mechanically altered diet while a resident) is checked, then the resident has a mechanically altered diet.</p> |
| 6 | 6.6 | 6-29 | <p>2. Determine whether the resident meets the criteria for the comorbidity: “Parenteral/IV Feeding – High Intensity” or the comorbidity: “Parenteral/IV Feeding – Low Intensity.” To do so, first determine if the resident received parenteral/IV feeding during the last 7 days while a resident of the SNF using item K05+20A23. If the resident did not receive parenteral/IV feeding during the last 7 days while a resident, then the resident does not meet the criteria for Parenteral/IV Feeding – High Intensity or Parenteral/IV Feeding – Low Intensity.</p> |

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| 6 | 6.6 | 6-30 | Parenteral IV Feeding: Level High | K05420A23, K0710A2 | 7 |
| | | | Special Treatments/ Programs: Intravenous Medication Post-admit Code | O01010H21b | 5 |
| | | | Special Treatments/ Programs: Invasive Mechanical Ventilator or Respirator Post-admit Code | O01010F21b | 4 |
| | | | Parenteral IV Feeding: Level Low | K05420A23, K0710A2, K0710B2 | 3 |
| | | | Lung Transplant Status | I8000 | 3 |
| | | | Special Treatments/ Programs: Transfusion Post-admit Code | O01010I21b | 2 |
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| 6 | 6.6 | 6-30 | Special Treatments/ Programs: Tracheostomy Care Post-admit Code | O01010E21b | 1 |
| | | | Active Diagnoses: Multi-Drug Resistant Organism (MDRO) Code | I1700 | 1 |
| | | | Special Treatments/ Programs: Isolation Post- admit Code | O01010M21b | 1 |
| | | | Specified Hereditary Metabolic/ Immune Disorders | I8000 | 1 |
| | | | Morbid Obesity | I8000 | 1 |
| | | | Special Treatments/ Programs: Radiation Post- admit Code | O01010B21b | 1 |
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| 6 | 6.6 | 6-31 | Special Treatments/ Programs: Suctioning Post- admit Code | O01010D21b | 1 |
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| 6 | 6.6 | 6-39 | <p>O01010B21b Radiation treatment while a resident</p> <p>O01010J21b Dialysis treatment while a resident</p> |
| 6 | 6.6 | 6-39 | <p>**Selected skin treatments: M1200A, B Pressure relieving chair and/or bed M1200C Turning/repositioning program M1200D Nutrition or hydration intervention M1200E Pressure ulcer/injury care M1200G Application of nonsurgical dressings (not to feet) M1200H Application of ointments/medications (not to feet) #Count as one treatment even if both provided</p> |

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**Track Changes
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| 6 | 6.6 | 6-43 | <p>These items are used to calculate a Total Severity Score for the resident interview at item D030160 and for the staff assessment at item D0600. A higher Total Severity Score is associated with more symptoms of depression. For the resident interview, a Total Severity Score of 99 indicates that the interview was not successful.</p> <p>The resident qualifies as depressed for PDPM classification in either of the two following cases:</p> <p>The D030160 Total Severity Score is greater than or equal to 10 but not 99,</p> |
| 6 | 6.7 | 6-50 | <p>Requirements and policies for SNF PPS are described in greater detail in Chapter 8 of the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual (https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/bp102c08pdf.pdf). There are some situations that the SNF may encounter that may impact Medicare Part A SNF coverage for a resident, affect the PPS assessment schedule, or impact the reimbursement received by the SNF.</p> |
| 6 | 6.8 | 6-53 | <p>If the SNF fails to set the ARD of a PPS assessment prior to the end of the last day of the ARD window, and the resident is no longer a SNF Part A resident, and as a result a PPS assessment does not exist in the iQIES-ASAP system for the payment period, the provider may not usually bill for days when an assessment does not exist in the iQIES-ASAP system. When a PPS assessment does not exist in the iQIES-ASAP system, there is not a HIPPS code the provider may bill. In order to bill for Medicare SNF Part A services, the provider must submit a valid PPS assessment that is accepted into the iQIES-ASAP system. The provider must bill the HIPPS code that is verified by the system. If the resident was already discharged from Medicare Part A when this is discovered, a PPS assessment may not be performed.</p> <p>However, there are instances when the SNF may bill the default code when a PPS assessment does not exist in the iQIES-ASAP system. These exceptions are:</p> |