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## BLAST FAX 2019-19A

TO: Nursing Home Administrators/Director of Nursing Services/MDS Coordinators

FROM: Donna Ortelle, R.N., M.S.N., Section Chief   
Facility Licensing and Investigations Section

DATE: October 7, 2019

SUBJECT: Patient Driven Payment Model (PDPM)

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The attached correspondence from Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) is for your attention.

If you have any questions concerning this information, please **do not** contact the QTSO Help Desk:

- For questions regarding (PDPM), send inquiries to [pdpm@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:pdpm@cms.hhs.gov)
- For information technology questions, send emails to [MDSTechIssues@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:MDSTechIssues@cms.hhs.gov).



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## QTSO MEMORANDUM

**MEMO**

**NUMBER:** 2019-065

**TO:** QIES State Coordinators

**CC:** CMS Central and Regional Office Contacts

**FROM:** Kim Jasmin, CMS

**DATE:** October 4, 2019

**SUBJECT:** SNF PDPM Assessments and Grouper Update

CMS is aware of issues with the latest PDPM DLL Package (V1.0002 FINAL). We are targeting to release an updated version on **Monday, October 7, 2019**, which corrects the identified grouper discrepancies.

SNF providers should continue to follow the Resident Assessment Instrument (RAI) requirements which include, but are not limited to:

- Establishing assessment reference dates for OBRA or PPS assessments that are required/scheduled, including the PDPM Transitional Interim Payment Assessments, assessing residents, and
- Coding the applicable MDS assessments.

As per the RAI requirements, assessments should be completed within 14 days and recorded in Z0500. Late submission payment penalties do not apply under the SNF PPS. We will work with providers to ensure that timely payments are made.

We will continue to share updates as they become available. In the meantime, providers should not hesitate to contact us.

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Please contact your state Medicaid agency for questions related to the Other State Assessment (OSA) and Medicaid payment.