

Instructions for Installing the 2006 Case Mix MDS Program

The enclosed CD has several files.

The file named 2006CaseMix.exe is a self extracting zip file that will place 2 files in the C:\mdspt folder.

MDS2006.exe

MDSSubmit06.exe

You need to run this self-extracting zip file on all machines running Power Tools. If your server is used ONLY to store data, you need not run the update. However, if you use the server to enter data or to submit, you will need to update it as well.

There are also 2 shortcuts on the CD. They are called Shortcut to MDS2006 and Shortcut to MDSSubmit06. You can copy these to your desktop and rename them if you like.

I have not provided a program to rename the existing MDS Power Tools and submission programs. That means that your existing shortcuts will point to the October versions of these programs. After you have used the new 2006 programs without problem, you can delete the old shortcuts.

DO NOT USE THESE PROGRAMS UNTIL YOU HAVE SUBMITTED ALL ASSESSMENTS WITH AN ASSESSMENT REFERENCE DATE OF 11/21/05 OR BEFORE. The new grouper does not apply to any assessments prior to 11/22/05.

The state validation report should display both the old and new groups. Which you use to bill until Jan 1, 2006 is dependent on the type of assessment. Your billing department will know which to use and may ask you for both groups. You can provide them with a copy of the validation report. Starting Jan 1, 2006, all assessments should be billed with the new groups.

WHEN YOU USE THE NEW PROGRAM, YOU WILL HAVE TO RE-ENTER W2a/b and W3a/b. This is required because of a change in the way the items are stored. This should fix the problem some of you may have had when using a "dash" in any of these fields. If you enter a "dash" in W2a or W3a, then item "b" will become invisible, but 4 dashes will be submitted. If you answer "no" to item a and "dash" to item b, you should see the codes and that is what will be submitted. You should also be able to leave the screen by clicking the small "x" at the top right corner without going to another section. Please test this and let me know. The inability to do so was inconsistent across users' machines.

New Case Mix Group Explanations

The status bar at the bottom of the screen will display the new case mix group. The case mix tool does not have these new groups added but they can be determined from the groups that are flashing, the ADL score shown and these rules. The Case Mix group displayed is the one with the highest case mix index.

COMBINATION Ultra High Intensity Rehab + Extensive Services groups

If the resident classifies into an RU (Rehabilitation Ultra) group AND into SE (Extensive Services)

And their ADL score is between 16 and 18 then they are: RUX (case mix index of 53)

And their ADL score is between 7 and 15 then they are: RUL (case mix index of 52)

COMBINATION Very High Intensity Rehab + Extensive Services groups

If the resident classifies into an RV (Rehabilitation Very High) group AND into SE (Extensive Services)

And their ADL score is between 16 and 18 then they are: RVX (case mix index of 49)

And their ADL score is between 7 and 15 then they are: RVL (case mix index of 46)

*Note that the existing RUC now has a case mix of 51 and RUB has a case mix of 50, both higher than the 2 new RVX and RVL groups. RUA has a case mix index of 48, higher than RVL

COMBINATION High Intensity Rehab + Extensive Services groups

If the resident classifies into an RH (Rehabilitation High) group AND into SE (Extensive Services)

And their ADL score is between 13 and 18 then they are: RHX (case mix index of 42)

And their ADL score is between 7 and 12 then they are: RHL (case mix index of 41)

*These two new RH groups (X and L) have a case mix higher than the existing RH (C,B,A) groups

COMBINATION Medium Intensity Rehab + Extensive Services groups

If the resident classifies into an RM (Rehabilitation Medium) group AND into SE (Extensive Services)

And their ADL score is between 15 and 18 then they are: RMX (case mix index of 47)

And their ADL score is between 7 and 14 then they are: RML (case mix index of 44)

*Note that the case mix index for the new RMX and RML groups is higher than that for the new RHX and RHL groups. **This is unexpected but correct.**

This is just like SE3 is greater than all RH's and RMC and RMB are greater than RHA

*In all but one case, a new combination group has a higher case mix index than its corresponding rehabilitation group by itself or a similar extensive services group, except in the case where the old SE3 by itself (case mix 40) is higher than the new RLX (rehab low, ADL 7-18, any extensive service, case mix 33)

These are the groups and case mix index details for those who are interested:

New 53 group indices

RUX RUL 53,52
RVX RVL 49 46
RHX RHL 42 41
RMX RML 47 44
RLX 33
RUC RUB RUA 51 51 48
RVC RVB RVA 45 43 38
RHC RHB RHA 39 37 34
RMC RMB RMA 36 35 32
RLB RLA 30 24
SE3 SE2 SE1 40 31 29
SSC SSB SSA 28 26 25
CC2 CC1 27 23
CB2 CB1 22 21
CA2 CA1 20 17
IB2 IB1 IA2 IA1 14 12 8 6
BB2 BB1 BA2 BA1 13 10 7 2
PE2 PE1 PD2 PD1 PC2 PC1 PB2 PB1 PA2 PA1 19 18 16 15 11 9 5 4 3 1

44 Group Indices

RUC RUB RUA 44 43 41
RVC RVB RVA 41 40 37
RHC RHB RHA 39 35 33
RMC RMB RMA 38 34 32
RLB RLA 30 25
SE3 SE2 SE1 36,31 29
SSC SSB SSA 28 26 24
CC2 CC1 CB2 CB1 CA2 CA1 27 23 22 21 20 17
IB2 IB1 IA2 IA1 14 12 8 6
BB2 BB1 BA2 BA1 13 11 7 2
PE2 PE1 PD2 PD1 PC2 PC1 PB2 PB1 PA2 PA1 19, 18, 16, 15, 10, 9, 5, 4, 3, 1