

About & Using the MDS Manager

MDS Manager Access

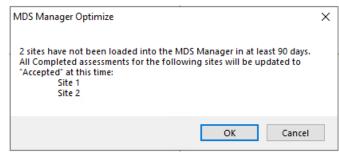
Rights

The MDS Manager right is found in the rights tree at Write > MDS 3.0 Assessment > MDS Manager. When a facility is converted from v9 to v10, User Group rights are automatically update for the MDS Manager as follows: any user group with full or partial rights to either Write > MDS 3.0 Assessment or View > MDS 3.0 Assessment will be updated with rights to the MDS Manager. This setting can then manually be changed as needed.

Within the MDS Manager, there are various buttons to complete MDS functions as well as Chat and Messaging functionality. These buttons will only work for users if they have rights to the individual features as setup in the user group rights tree. For example, the "Change" button will only function for a user who has rights to Write > MDS 3.0 Assessment > Change. In this way, a variety of users can be given access to the MDS Manager without raising concerns regarding their level of access.

Opening the MDS Manager

- 1. Click American Data ECS > Write > MDS 3.0 Assessment > MDS Manager or use an Easy Access button titled "MDS Manager" setup for this purpose.
- 2. The Client Filter screen will be displayed. It is designed to select the appropriate MDS records for you without manually selecting client names.
 - o This will default to your currently selected site(s) and service(s).
 - o There will be check marks in the statuses of Active, Inactive, and Hold.
 - o Making changes to the Status selections could cause you to miss assessments that are in progress or need to be transmitted.
- 3. Click **OK** to accept the default filters.
- 4. ECS will check when, if ever, the manager was opened before the selected site(s). If it has been longer than 90 days, a message will appear:
- When you click OK, all completed assessments for the selected site(s) will be marked as Accepted. This may take a few moments.
- 6. The MDS Manager will load.



Use the Help Popup feature (the question mark in the top right corner [?]) for information about individual features. Click onto the question mark, and then click onto the button or feature you want to learn more about.

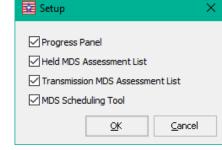


MDS Manager Features

MDS Manager Screen Description

The MDS Manager is made up of several options across the top, as well as four informational panels (Progress Panel, Held Assessments Panel, Transmit Manager Panel, & Scheduling Tool Panel).

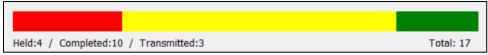
- Setup Controls which data panels are displayed when you use the Manager. Each user can control this setting for themselves, and make changes as needed. ECS remembers your most recent setting.
- Message Allows you to write an Internal Communication message to users that will appear in their Message list.
- Chat This opens the Chat box to allow you to communicate with other users currently logged into ECS.



- IPA Predictor Provides clinical decision support for IPA completion with precise feedback on whether and how much your facility will benefit regarding CMI and dollars. See supplemental IPA Tools handout for more information and detailed instructions.
- IPA Forecast Allows you to review resident data to determine who may qualify for an IPA. It displays the resident's therapy and nursing function score for each day in the selected date range, based on caregiver documentation. See supplemental IPA Tools handout for more information and detailed instructions.
- PPS Analyzer This option opens the PPS PDPM Analyzer in which users can analyze all codes that are generated from a PPS assessment. The analyzer will show each HIPPS code, the total rate, average rate, and a breakdown of all components.
- OBRA Analyzer This option opens the OBRA PDPM Analyzer in which users can analyze all codes that are generated from an OBRA assessment. The analyzer will show each HIPPS code, the total rate, average rate, and a breakdown of all components.
- MDS Analytics This option opens the MDS Analytics reporting screen. There are new reports being added to this list frequently, but the current options consist of Length of Stay, Diagnosis Totals, Medicare Days, Nursing Components (PDPM), NTA Points (PDPM), Facility Assessment, and Certificate of Need.
- Names Choose different names than the current selection. Used for trouble-shooting specific names or situations.
- Restore Names If you used the "Names" button to select specific residents, the "Restore Names" button will revert the Manager back to the filter settings used when the Manager was opened.
- Refresh Clicking Refresh updates the Manager with changes to MDS assessments that were made since the previous refresh or since the Manager was loaded whichever is more recent. The last date and time the MDS Manager were refreshed will display to the right of Refresh.



Progress Panel

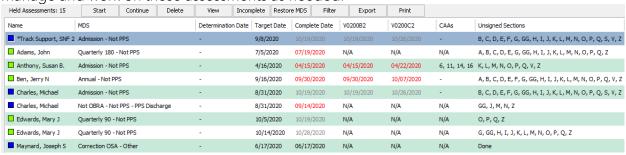


This displays the total number of assessments that are currently being worked on. The progress bar consists of three-color coded categories, described below:

- **Held (red)** The number of records that have been started but have not been completed.
- Completed (yellow) The number of records that have been completed but have not been batched (Transmission Count = 0).
- Transmitted (green) The number of records that have been batched (Transmission Count > 0) but have not been marked as "Accepted."

Held Assessments Panel

This lists all the assessments that are currently in progress. The menu options allow you to manage and work on these assessments as needed.



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- Click a column heading to sort the listed records by that column.
- When records are deleted, marked as incomplete, or completed using the 'Submit' button on the Status screen of individual records, select the 'Refresh' button at the top of the Manager to remove those from the Held Assessments Panel.
- When you have had the MDS Manager open for a while, you can view changes or progress to assessments by selecting the 'Refresh' button at the top of the Manager.
- Double click a resident's name to display the MDS history for that person.
- The total number of records on the Held Assessment list corresponds to the red bar of the Progress Panel displayed above the Held Assessments Panel.
- The completion date, V0200B2, and V0200C2 columns will display any predicted values in gray or red (if due in the next three days, or past due). Once a date has been filled out on the MDS, it will display in black text. The MDS coordinator may adjust these dates in the Held Assessments section by double clicking onto the date needing to be adjusted. The user is then presented with a calendar to select the appropriate date. If date(s) are adjusted manually directly in the Manager, the user's initials will display behind the date.



Menu Options

- Start Click Start to start a new MDS assessment for any client.
- Continue Select an assessment from the list and click Continue to open the assessment and continue work on it.
- **Delete** Select an assessment from the list and click **Delete** to remove the record.
- View Select an assessment from the list and click View to view the MDS.
- Incomplete Select an assessment from the list and click Incomplete to mark the record as incomplete. You will be asked to enter a reason as to why it is being marked as incomplete.
- Restore MDS Click Restore MDS, select a client. Choose a deleted or incomplete record from the list and restore to an active status.
- Filter Click onto Filter to narrow down the assessments which are displayed in the Held Assessments Panel. Options to select from include PPS, OBRA, Insurance (Med Replacement), Admissions, Scheduled (Quarterly/Annual), Discharges, IPA, and OSA.
- Export Click onto the Export button to export all data within the Held Assessments Panel.
- Print Click onto the Print button to print some of the key data within the Held Assessments Panel.

Transmit Manager Panel

By default, this panel lists all assessments that have been completed, but have not yet been marked as "Accepted."



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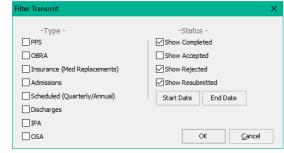
- The Transmit Manager panel displays all the MDS records that are completed but have not yet been marked as accepted by CMS. The Menu options listed right above this panel allow you to manage and work on the assessments as needed.
- You can click on a column heading to sort the listed records by that column.
- When records are deleted or marked as accepted by using the drop-down options in the Status column or the Accept All button, use the "Refresh" button at the top of the Manager to remove them from the Transmit Manager Panel.
- The **Transmit Date** column displays the last possible transmission date for the assessment. This value will appear in gray unless it is coming up in the next three days, or it is overdue; in which case the date appears in red. Once an assessment has been marked as "Accepted," the Transmit Date column clears out and displays a dash (-).



- The Status column is used to track the progress of batched assessments. You may
 mark assessments as Accepted, Rejected, or Resubmitted using the drop-down list.
 When an assessment has been marked as Accepted, it will no longer be displayed
 once the screen is reloaded or refreshed, unless you use Filter to display accepted
 records.
- Double click a resident's name to display the MDS history for that person.
- The total number of records on the Transmit Manager list corresponds to the total of the yellow and green bars of the Progress Panel displayed above the Held Assessments panel. The yellow completed assessments are the total number of records that have a transmission count of zero (0). The green Transmitted records are the total number of records with a transmission count greater than zero, but that have not been marked as Accepted. The combined total of completed and transmitted records is equal to the total number of records listed in the Transmit Manager panel.

Menu Options

- Change Select an assessment from the list and click Change to open the assessment via "Change Assessment" mode. This would be utilized to adjust assessments that have been submitted into ECS but rejected by CMS. Or to adjust an MDS prior to batching it into a transmission file.
- Correct Select an assessment from the list and click onto Correct to create a correction record for that assessment.
- Delete Select an assessment from the list and click Delete to remove the record.
- View Select an assessment from the list and click View to view the MDS.
- Transmit Click Transmit to open the Electronic Transmission screen and create a batch file. You do not select assessments from the list prior to clicking onto Transmit.
- Filter The Filter button's primary purpose is a troubleshooting feature. It allows you to display records for a certain date range, lets you display Accepted assessments which are not listed by default, and lets you filter for any combination of completed, held, rejected, and resubmitted assessments. Example: You would like to see the past 12 months of MDS records for a specific resident:



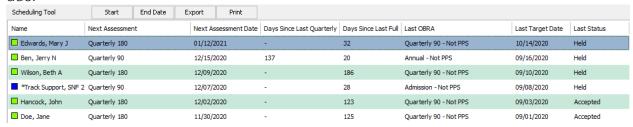
- o Use the Names button at the top of the Manager to select just the resident you are investigating. The Manager will refresh to display only that resident.
- o Click **Filter**. Use the check boxes to select what type of assessments you wish to see. In this case, make sure there are check marks in all four check boxes.
- O Click **Start Date** to select a start date for the assessments you wish to view. Selecting a date 12 months ago will display any assessments with target dates that fall in the period between the target date and the current date.
- o Click **OK** to display the matching records.



- o When you are done reviewing the records, make sure you select **Filter** again to remove the "Show Accepted" filter.
- o You may select 'Restore Names' at the top of the Manager to return to the usual display.
- Accept All You can use the Accept All button any time you wish to mark all the listed assessments as accepted. The user will be prompted through a couple of questions to click OK, Yes, No, or Cancel on.
- Export Click onto the Export button to export all data within the Transmit Manager Panel.
- **Print** Click onto the **Print** button to print some of the key data within the Transmit Manager Panel.

Scheduling Tool Panel

The Scheduling Tool panel assists users in determining when a resident's next OBRA MDS is due.



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- The Scheduling Tool panel displays the next OBRA MDS that is due as well as the next assessment's predicted target date. Any dates displaying in red indicate that the target date is coming due in the next few days or is already past due.
- You can click on a column heading to sort the listed records by that column.
- The other columns available in the Scheduling Tool will list the days since the resident's last quarterly MDS, last full MDS, as well as the last OBRA that they have marked as either Accepted, Submitted, or still in progress (Held).
- Double click a resident's name to display the MDS history for that person.

Menu Options

- Start To start an MDS, click onto the name, and select Start. This will open the Type of Assessment/Tracking screen with the OBRA type already pre-selected. Verify the information and click OK to begin the MDS.
- End Date If only wanting to see MDS' due prior to a specific date, click onto End Date, select the date, and click OK. Click onto End Date again to clear out the date.
- **Export** Click onto the **Export** button to export all data within the Scheduling Tool Panel.
- **Print** Click onto the **Print** button to print all data within the Scheduling Tool Panel.