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Removal of Feature

The option for **American Data – ECS** > **Help** > **Update** has been removed as it was no longer functional.

April 1, 2020 Changes

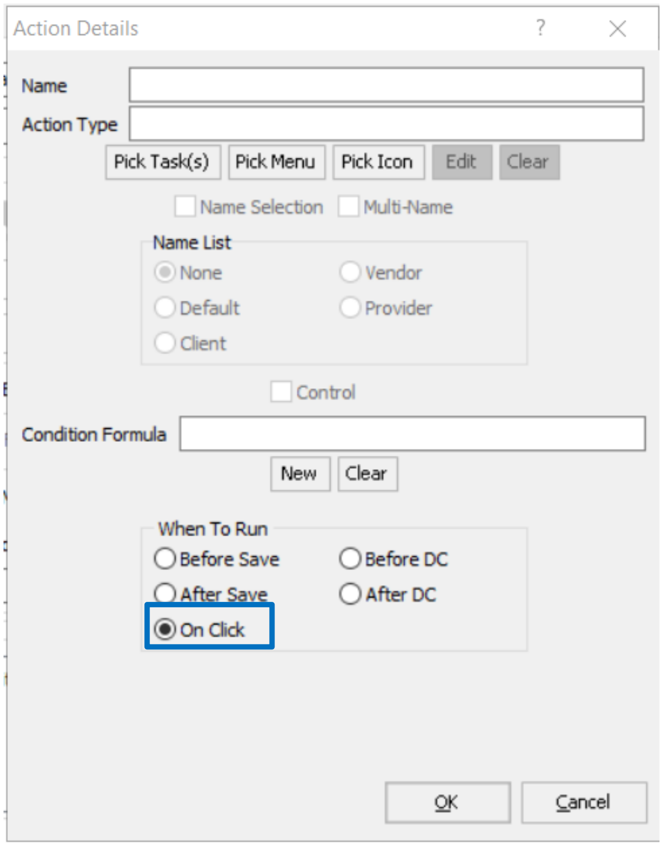
- NCCI Edit Tables which were updated as of April 1, 2020 per CMS are included in this update.
- The new MDS VUT, V3.3.0, updated to include the new ICD Code Table that contains the COVID-19 ICD Code has been included in this update.
- The new PDPM Grouper, V1.0004, updated to include the new ICD Code Table that contains the COVID-19 ICD Code has been included in this update.

Diagnosis

If a therapy company uses ECS and enters their Medical Diagnosis Codes (via a formula) that displays existing codes from Diagnosis charting, these codes did not have any PDPM Category's display and being tagged in the entry. We have added the PDPM Category to the documentation screen and the saved charting.

Word Setup

When a user is within the **Options** tab of word properties and adds an **Action**, the **When to Run** default used to be set to **Before Save** (which is rarely used). It is now defaulted to **On Click** instead.

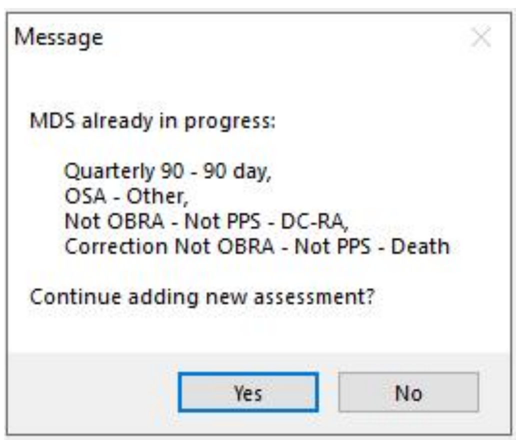


Report Maker

Variable height fields will now provide an error message to a user if the field is too large. If the user does not correct the sizing of the variable height field, it will cause the report to go into an infinite loop. This message is to help catch those oversights before running the report. The user will be alerted upon saving the report.

MDS

- The MDS Selection screen has been updated to include the following changes:
  - Client column renamed to **Name**.
  - PDPM Score column renamed to **PDPM HIPPS**.
  - Manual PDPM Score has been renamed to **Manual PDPM HIPPS**.
  - The RUGs and Bill code columns have been combined and the column was renamed to **State Case Mix**.
  - **V Req** and **V Done** columns have been removed, as this information is now attainable on the MDS Manager.
  - The last column for **Site** has been removed, as we now have Site/Service indicator symbols to the left of Name.
- The **Collect** button has been added directly onto the MDS Assessment. Prior to this change, it was only accessible via the Status screen.
- When a resident has more than one MDS in progress and a user attempts to start a new one, they're presented with a list of the current In Progress MDS'. This list has been difficult to follow if there are several MDS' in progress. Formatting has been added to this message to make it easier to read.



IPA Predictor

The **Collect** button has been added directly onto the MDS Assessment. Prior to this change, it was only accessible via the Status screen.

MDS 3.0 Report

Users can populate the MDS 3.0 Report with **Medicare Replacement** or **Insurance Billing** answers. Prior to this change, users were only able to see the answers made on the MDS that are submitted to CMS. Any question on the MDS that is hidden when sent to CMS could not be populated onto these tasks. A new option titled Show Medicare Replacement Values has been added.

TO USE THIS:

1. Navigate to the **MDS 3.0 Report** via an easy button or via American Data – ECS > View > Report > MDS 3.0.
2. Once in here, select all relevant items within this screen.
3. Check onto **Show Medicare Replacement Values** prior to selecting Print or Export.
4. This option can also be saved within a specific task.

Notification of MDS Changes to Billing Department

There is a new option that allows a user and/or user group to be notified if there is Medicare/Medicare Replacement MDS completed within a date range that has already been billed. This could be a new assessment completed, or a changed assessment, etc. Notification will be received in your Internal Communication screen like all other ECS messages. This could assist billing staff in knowing when an MDS is completed so that they can bill or alert them if they need to adjust their billing.

EXAMPLE: Month end billing has been completed and an MDS had not yet been completed prior to month end for Jane Doe. The billing staff would receive an internal communication within ECS when the Medicare MDS for Jane Doe is completed so billers know they can now bill for the PDPM HIPPS.

SETUP INSTRUCTIONS:
There are two places that setups will need to be completed. On the Calculate task and in Site Settings.

Calculate task

1. Go to the red **Calculate** icon on your toolbar.
2. Click **Task**.
3. Select the **Medicare (A)** task and click **Edit**.
4. Click the **More** button in the bottom left side of the screen.
5. Place a checkmark in the **MDS Notification** checkbox.
6. Click **Save**.
7. This should be repeated for any/all tasks (like Medicare Advantage (A)) that bill off PDPM HIPPS Codes.

Site Settings

1. Go to **American Data – ECS** > **Setup** > **Settings** > **Site**.
2. From the drop down, select the appropriate Site.
3. Click the **PDPM** tab.
4. There is an **MDS Notification** box at the bottom of this screen.
5. Click the **Add User** and/or **Add User Group** to select users and/or user groups to receive notifications of MDS changes. This will likely be your billing staff names or user groups.
6. Click **OK** to save changes.

RULES:

1. This is not resident specific. If one resident is billed for a range of dates, notifications for any resident who has a new MDS or change with a HIPPS Code start date within those dates of service will be sent. For example, if Jane Doe is the only resident calculated and posted for March 2020 dates of service, any MDS that has a HIPPS Code with a HIPPS Code start date in March 2020 will send notifications. This was designed so that notifications can be sent for those residents who have not yet been billed as well as if there is a change to someone who was billed.
2. The notifications will tell you who the resident is, what MDS the notification refers to, the HIPPS Coe, the assessment Target Date and Start Date, the date range that has been billed (causing the notification to trigger), and the reason for the notification.
3. Notifications will be sent if an MDS is completed, an existing assessment was changed, corrected, deleted, restored, or inactivated.
4. Notifications will be sent if you complete any of these functions via icons, menu options, access buttons, or the MDS Manager.
5. Currently, this is specific to PDPM HIPPS Codes and Medicare/Medicare Replacement assessments. Programming will check for valid PDPM HIPPS Codes prior to sending notifications.

UB04

Programming changes have been made to allow us to capture **Non-Covered Date of Service** from the calculating screen, along with charted data (to include things like Qualifying Hospital Start and End Dates) in field **35-36** on the UB04. Currently, users must chart Non-Covered start and End Date in the Status topic, in addition to the Occupancy Status of Non-Covered. This programming allows users to record the Occupancy Status of Non-Covered, and the dates (and associated Occurrence Code 74) will be pulled from the calculating screen to the UB04. This means users do not have to chart additional "Non-Covered Start and End Dates" to get the UB04 to come out correctly.

SETUP INSTRUCTIONS:

1. In the UB04 setup, you may change the setup to pull from **Invoice** or **Entry**. Each works just the same.
2. In the UB04 **Setup Options**, you must have **Yes** selected for field 35-36 so it continues to do accurate processing of codes and dates.
3. **Field 35a**, you can have the Dates of Service word from the Non-Covered Days line on the Calculating screen added. It should be set to pull Code value column AA-AA.
4. In the actual Dates of Service word on the calculating screen, you need to add the **code 74** to the Code value column AA.
5. **Field 35b** can have the Dates of Service word from the Non-Covered Days line on the calculating screen added. It should be set to pull Text or Text/Phrase after word.
6. **Field 35c** can have the Dates of Service word from the Non-Covered Days line on the calculating screen added. It should be set to pull Text or Text/Phrase after word.

Chart of Accounts

There is now an **Export** button in the Chart of Accounts. You may export to .CSV, Excel workbook 97-2003, or Excel Workbook (depending on your device). If you have problems with Excel auto-formatting your account numbers into dates/other characters, you may want to use Excel workbook 97-2003 for better results.

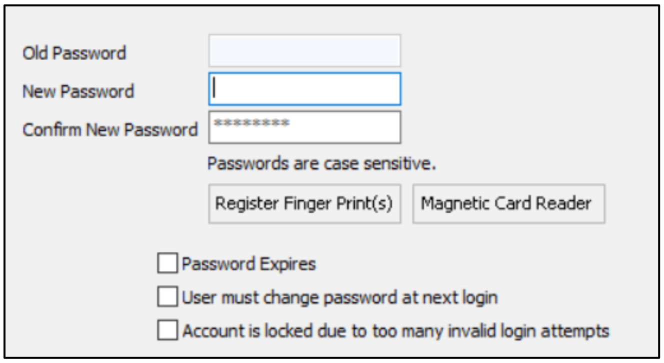
Document from Table (Importing)

We have increased the speed of loading tasks during the Document from Table process of importing. We have also increased the speed of the actual import process.

User Passwords

The Password screen in User properties has been updated to be more user friendly. Prior this change, users would routinely attempt to click onto the "Change Password" button to adjust a user's password, even though this button is only to be utilized for facilities that have a specific system setting in place. Now, the password screen has been enhanced to know whether this setting is checked and to gray out that option if it is.

If a facility has **HIPAA User Security** checked in System Settings, the **Old Password** box will become active and the user is required to know the prior password before changing it. If the facility does not have this checked in System Settings, they simply need to swipe over **New Password** and **Confirm New Password** to adjust a user's password.



Allow Exit on Hide

There is a new option in System Settings called **Allow Exit on Hide**. This feature allows a user to exit someone out of ECS who's session has timed out, therefore "locking" the session from anyone else to be able to use. Once the session is logged out, ECS is now available for a new user to log in. This feature will also exit a user out of any of the following features that they have "locked": MDS, cash receipts screen, or the calculating screen. The user who is logged in, will lose any unsaved work if another user logs them out.

EXAMPLE: A user was logged into ECS on a shared device but forgot to log out when they left the building. Their session has timed out due to inactivity. A new user needs to log into the device, but notices that the user is still logged in and their name is displayed on the ECS Authorization screen. At this point, the user would have to use Task Manager to end the session, restart the computer, or may have to get their technical department involves so the user's session may be terminated. With this new feature, this user can instead click onto the Exit button located on the ECS Authorization screen. The user will be warned that someone else is logged into ECS and any work they may have in progress will be lost. Once the user confirms this is OK, they must wait a few seconds for the session to end before they will be able to open a new icon of ECS.

SETUP:

1. Navigate to **American Data – ECS** > **Setup** > **Settings** > **System**.
2. Place a check mark in **Allow Exit on Hide**.
3. Click **OK** to save changes.

RULES: This is a system wide setting, so will affect all sites/services located within the database. There is not a way to track/restrict who clicks the Exit button on the ECS Authorization screen.

Be sure that if you enable this feature, your facility completes education to all users so as no one is accidently closing out in progress sessions that had unsaved work.

ECS Mobile

- The desktop version of ECS was enhanced with the following features that have now also been carried over into the ECS mobile environment:
    - Items with a "List" when signing off on the MAR can control which responses flip and which responses do not. This same functionality has now been carried through to ECS mobile.
    - Mark used word properties within documenting screens will now work correctly in ECS mobile.
- There is a new button located in the Help > About menu option in the desktop version of ECS called **Refresh Mobile Client List**. This button would be used in case there was a communication error between the desktop version and mobile where client updates in the desktop version of ECS are not updating in mobile. This would include client changes like new clients or filter changes (ex. Floor change).
- Mobile speed was improved. This speed improvement will mostly impact clients who have a large client list and were previously experiencing intermittent speed issues navigating ECS mobile.
- Additional speed improvements were made specifically in loading the electronic sign (MAR/TAR).

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