



# Work Plan: CMS Data Transformation Package V3.0

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## MODIFICATION HISTORY

Date	Version	Description
09/30/2017	V1.0	
01/19/2018	V2.0	The version 2 package will accommodate Medicare source files having either short and long column names.
1/8/2019	V3.0	The version 3 package will transform CMS data to PCORnet CDMv4.1 and can transform two additional files (MedPAR and Skilled Nursing Facility)

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## I. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of the Data Transformation Program package is to transform Medicare Research Identifiable files (RIF) to the PCORnet Common Data Model (CDM) v4.1 to facilitate and standardize the use of Medicare data in conducting PCORnet studies. Documentation about the CDM is available at <http://pcornet.org/pcornet-common-data-model/>.

The focus of the current Data Transformation Programs is to transform the following Medicare RIF files.

- Master Beneficiary Summary File - Base (A/B/D)
- Inpatient Institutional Claims
- Outpatient Institutional Claims
- Carrier (i.e., Physician/Supplier) Claims
- Skilled Nursing Facility Claims
- Part D Prescription Drug Events
- Medicare Provider Analysis and Review (MedPAR)

The MedPAR file is an alternate source of information about inpatient hospital and skilled nursing facility (SNF) care, users can transform either the MedPAR file or Inpatient Claims and Skilled Nursing Facility Claims, but not both, to the PCORnet Common Data Model.

Other claim type files exist (e.g., DME, Home Health) and may be added to this package in the future.

The Medicare data are able to populate the following PCORnet CDM tables:

- Demographic
- Enrollment
- Encounter
- Diagnosis
- Procedures
- Dispensing
- Death
- Provider

For all CDM tables where no Medicare data are populated, empty tables will be generated. The table below shows which Medicare files contribute to which PCORnet CDM v4.1 tables.

Input: Medicare source data	Output: PCORnet CDM v4.1 tables
Master Beneficiary Summary Files - Base (A/B/D)	Demographic Enrollment Death
Inpatient Claims Outpatient Claims Carrier Claims Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Claims	Encounter Diagnosis Procedures Provider
Part D Event (PDE) Files	Dispensing

The programs allow users to indicate which Medicare files are available for transformation and what type of column names, short or long, are used in the files. The programs are designed to run against Medicare files received from the CMS data distributor in either J or K version file record layouts.

The data transformation programs initially generate annual CDM Encounter, Diagnosis, Procedures and Dispensing tables, to parallel how Medicare data are typically received. In a later step, these annual files are combined into single tables or views. The advantage of this approach is to avoid transforming the same year of claims data multiple times.

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## II. PROGRAM PACKAGE FILE STRUCTURE

The Data Transformation Program package contains several subfolders to organize program inputs and outputs. It is recommended (but not mandatory) that these subfolders reside within an outer folder labeled "ETL". The subfolders are as follows:

- **cdm\_v41:** Contains all PCORnet CDM v4.1 tables/views as well as crosswalk tables generated by the transformation programs.
- **sasprograms:** Contains the master SAS program that must be edited and then executed locally.
- **infolder:** Contains all input programs needed to execute the master program. The contents of this folder should not be edited.
- **outfolder:** Contains output and log files generated by the programs that may be used to facilitate the debugging and internal checking.

## III. FILES INCLUDED IN THE PACKAGE

The following files will be included in the Zip file distributed with the package.

#### *sas\_programs*

- pcornet\_cdm\_etl\_master\_file.sas

#### *infolder*

- build\_dx\_px.sas
- build\_enroll.sas
- build\_harvest.sas
- build\_provider.sas
- build\_xwks.sas
- create\_CDM\_v41\_tablesviews.sas
- etl\_carr.sas
- etl\_denom.sas
- etl\_enrollment.sas
- etl\_ip.sas
- etl\_op.sas
- etl\_pde.sas
- pcncdm\_formats.sas
- rtm\_utility
- varlists.sas
- reference\_file.cpt
  - colist.sas7bdat
  - provider\_specialty\_mapping.sas7bdat

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## **IV. OUTPUT FILES**

### **SAS datasets generated in the cdm\_v41 folder**

<b>File name</b>	<b>File description</b>
death.sas7bdat	SAS dataset for PCORnet CDM Death table
demographic.sas7bdat	SAS dataset for PCORnet CDM Demographic table
diagnosisyyyy.sas7bdat	Annual SAS datasets for PCORnet CDM Diagnosis table
dispensingyyyy.sas7bdat (if available)	Annual SAS datasets for PCORnet CDM Dispensing table
encounteryyyy.sas7bdat	Annual SAS datasets for PCORnet CDM Encounter table

File name	File description
enrollment.sas7bdat	SAS dataset for PCORnet CDM Enrollment table
harvest.sas7bdat	SAS dataset for PCORnet CDM Harvest table
proceduresyyyy.sas7bdat	Annual SAS datasets for PCORnet CDM Procedures table
provider.sas7bdat	SAS dataset for PCORnet CDM Provider table.
facility.sas7bdat	The crosswalk file for pseudo identifier to real facility code in Medicare data. It will be used to assign the pseudo identifier to the FACILITYID field.

Notes: yyyy in file names represents four-digit year

**The following SAS datasets will be generated in the cdm\_v41 folder if you choose to use a permanent dataset to concatenate annual tables for each CDM table:**

File name	File description
diagnosis.sas7bdat	Combined SAS dataset for PCORnet CDM Diagnosis table
dispensing.sas7bdat (if available)	Combined SAS dataset for PCORnet CDM Dispensing table
encounter.sas7bdat	Combined SAS dataset for PCORnet CDM Encounter table
procedures.sas7bdat	Combined SAS dataset for PCORnet CDM Procedures table

**The following SAS DATA step views will be generated in the cdm\_v41/dsvview folder if you choose to use a view to concatenate annual tables for each CDM table:**

File name	File description
death.sas7bview	SAS view for PCORnet CDM Death table
demographic.sas7bview	SAS view for PCORnet CDM Demographic table
diagnosis.sas7bview	Combined SAS view for PCORnet CDM Diagnosis table
dispensing.sas7bview (if available)	Combined SAS view for PCORnet CDM Dispensing table
encounter.sas7bview	Combined SAS view for PCORnet CDM Encounter table
enrollment.sas7bview	SAS view for PCORnet CDM Enrollment table
harvest.sas7bview	SAS view for PCORnet CDM Harvest table

File name	File description
procedures.sas7bview	Combined SAS view for PCORnet CDM Procedures table

**The following empty tables will be generated in the cdm\_v41 or dsview folder:**

- condition
- death\_cause
- lab\_result\_cm
- med\_admin
- obs\_clin
- obs\_gen
- vital
- prescribing
- pro\_cm
- pcornet\_trial

**Output and log files in the outfolder folder**

File name	File description
PDF files	These PDF files contain the output summary of data transformation and mapping for programs in the infolder folder. Some output files report summary information by year. The create_CDM_v41_tablesviews.pdf file includes process runtime information for all ETL programs.
Log files	The SAS log file for the programs in the infolder folder.

## V. RUNNING THE PACKAGE

- 1) The Medicare RIF files used as source data must be SAS datasets with original variable names. Use the SAS programs sent with the Medicare data distribution to convert the raw text files to the SAS datasets required by this package.
- 2) The source data can reside in the same folder, or in subfolders based on the file type.
- 3) Open the Data Transformation Programs package. Extract the contents, save them locally as described in Sections II and III.
- 4) Open the **sasprograms** folder and edit the SAS program file 'pcornet\_cdm\_etl\_master\_file.sas'.
- 5) Modify the directory paths as follows. For reasons of compatibility and standardization, directory paths must meet the following criteria:

- DO use forward slashes (e.g. /) which are always compatible with both UNIX and WINDOWS.
  - DO use end of path separators (e.g. /xyz/ and not /xyz) which are assumed by many programs.
  - DO use beginning of path separators (e.g. /xyz) on UNIX.
  - DO NOT use beginning of path separators on WINDOWS (e.g. P:/xyz not /P:/xyz).
  - DO NOT surround directory paths with quotes (e.g. /xyz/ not "/xyz/").

  - a) Set **EPATH** option. This is the root directory for data transformation workplans.
  - b) Set **SDPATH** option. This is the main directory where the source data tables are stored.
- 6) Provide the sub-directory names for each type of source data as follows. *Skip this section if all source data are stored in the main directory.*
  - a) Set **SDMBSFAB** option. This is the sub-directory where mbsf\_ab/mbsf\_abcd data are stored.
  - b) Set **SDIP** option. This is the sub-directory where Inpatient claim data are stored.
  - c) Set **SDSNF** option. This is the sub-directory where Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) claim data are stored.
  - d) Set **SDOP** option. This is the sub-directory where Outpatient claim data are stored.
  - e) Set **SDCARR** option. This is the sub-directory where Carrier claim data are stored.
  - f) Set **SDMBSFD** option. This is the sub-directory where mbsf\_d/mbsf\_abcd data are stored.
  - g) Set **SDPDE** option. This is the sub-directory where Part D drug event data are stored.
  - h) Set **SDMP** option. This is the sub-directory where Medpar data are Stored.
- 7) Provide the file name prefixes (e.g. inptclms) for the Medicare SAS datasets, leaving off the version (e.g. j, k) and the four-digit year. You can replace them with your custom names. Leave blank if the source table is not available at your site.
  - a) Set **MBSFTBL** option. This is the mbsf\_ab/mbsf\_abcd dataset name.



- b) Set **IPBTL** option. This is the inpatient claim base dataset name. Leave blank if you are transforming the MedPAR data.
  - c) Set **IPREVTBL** option. This is the inpatient revenue dataset name. Leave blank if you are transforming the MedPAR data.
  - d) Set **SNFTBL** option. This is the snf claim base dataset name. Leave blank if you are transforming the MedPAR data.
  - e) Set **SNFREVTBL** option. This is the snf revenue dataset name, leave blank if you are transforming the MedPAR data.
  - f) Set **MPTBL** option. This is the MedPAR dataset name, leave blank if you are transforming the inpatient claim data and snf claim data if available.
  - g) Set **OPTBL** option. This is the outpatient claim base dataset name.
  - h) Set **OPREVTBL** option. This is the outpatient revenue dataset name.
  - i) Set **CARTBL** option. This is the carrier claim base dataset name.
  - j) Set **CARLNTBL** option. This is the carrier line dataset name.
  - k) Set **PDETBL** option. This is the Part D drug event dataset name.
  - l) Set **PTDENOMTBL** option. This is the mbsf\_d/mbsf\_abcd dataset name.
- 8) Set the following macro variables.
- a. Set **NAMETYPE** option. This is the indicator for the type of column names in your source files. The default is S. Set to L if source tables using long column names.
  - b. Set **MKXWLK\_HRVS** option. This option indicates whether or not the harvest table and crosswalk files need to be created in this process. The default is Y. Set to N if harvest table, provider table and facility crosswalk table have already been created.
  - c. Set **STARTYR** option. This is the first year of source data to transform.
  - d. Set **ENDYR** option. This is the last year of source data to transform.
  - e. Set **PDSTARTYR** option. This is the first year of Part D source data to transform.
  - f. Set **PDENDYR** option. This is the last year of Part D source data to transform.
  - g. Set **DSVIEW** option. This option indicates whether or not you want to combine the Annual tables to single views. Default is N if you want to generate tables only. Set to Y if you only want to combine the Annual tables to single views, set to B to create both permanent datasets and views.
- 9) Specify network id, network name, datamart id, datamart name and datamart platform that will be present in the HARVEST table.
- a. Set **NETID** option. This is the network ID.
  - b. Set **NETNM** option. This is the network name.
  - c. Set **DMID** option. This is the datamart ID.
  - d. Set **DMNM** option. This is the datamart name.
  - e. Set **DMPLFM** option. This is the datamart platform.
- 10) Save and run 'pcornet\_cdm\_etl\_master\_file'.
- 11) Check the log file for errors and warnings.
- 12) Review the output files.
- 13) Check the newly generated CDM tables in the cdm\_v41 folder.