



Case-Mix Index Data Consultation

Case-mix index (CMI) is defined as a measure of average patient severity based on equivalent patients. It represents the presumed resources used by patients upon discharge from an inpatient rehabilitation facility. UDSMR provides many reports that allow facilities to compare their CMI to state, regional and national values. This comparison can reveal whether a facility cares for a more or less severe patient population.

Many factors contribute to the measurement of patient severity. The CMI calculation starts with relative weight values, which are based on the CMGs that result from coding and assessing RICs, tiers, and motor score, as well as whether the patient is classified as an early transfer, a short stay or an expired case.

Is your facility accurately capturing each patient's severity level?

Our clinical experts will answer this vital question by conducting a comprehensive facility-specific analysis. Our consultants will review reports to examine your patient population for any factors that may contribute to differences between your facility's CMI and that of the state, region or nation.

After reviewing your facility's CMI values, our consultants will analyze the following factors as part of a step-by-step approach to CMI calculation:

- RIC distribution and IGC assignment
- Tiered comorbidity percentage and ICD-10 codes
- Motor score and admission functional assessment
- Special CMGs and early transfers

In-depth report review

We will interpret a variety of reports based on your facility's IRF-PAI data and will identify specific areas that could improve both the accuracy of your facility's CMI and your payments from CMS.

One-hour consultation

Having concluded a detailed review of your facility's reports, our consultants will conduct a one-hour conference call with your facility to share their findings with you. The call will include the following:



An interpretation of your facility's outcomes, including CMI



Identification of areas that are affecting your performance



A walk-through of the UDSMR® report set to discuss opportunities for improvement

If you would like more information or want to schedule a consultation, contact us at irfeducation@mcbeeassociates.com.