



Common diagnoses that are unacceptable primary diagnoses for Home Health under PDGM:

- Abnormal gait
- Age-related cognitive decline
- Age-related physical debility
- Altered mental status
- Ataxic gait
- Chronic fatigue
- Debility
- Difficulty in walking
- Disorientation
- Dizziness and giddiness (vertigo)
- Dorsalgia
- Failure to thrive
- Generalized weakness
- Joint pain
- Low back pain
- Malaise
- Muscle wasting and atrophy
- Muscle weakness
- Osteoarthritis, unspecified site
- Repeated falls
- Shortness of breath
- Superficial injury
- Unsteadiness on feet



What diagnosis is causing the symptom? State the underlying cause. These are examples of the 43,287 ICD-10 diagnoses that are acceptable Home Health primary diagnosis:

- ALS
- Active infection (on antibiotics at start of care)
- Alzheimer's dementia
- Atrial fibrillation
- Benign paroxysmal vertigo (specify ear)
- CHF
- COPD
- Cellulitis (specify location)
- Degenerative disc disease (specify region)
- Diabetic neuropathy
- Diabetic ulcer (specify location)
- Fracture (specify)
- Heart valve disorders
- Laceration (specify location)
- Lewy body dementia
- Metabolic encephalopathy
- Multiple sclerosis
- Neoplasm (specify)
- Osteoarthritis (specific site required)
- Parkinson's disease
- Pressure ulcer (specify location)
- Quadriplegia (specify)
- Residual effects of CVA (specify residual)
- Sciatica (specify)
- Spinal stenosis
- Spondylosis (specify region)
- Surgical aftercare
- Venous insufficiency