



CHAPTER 2

Understanding Web Service Interface

Using Prime Central for HCS, you can view the events in a single normalized northbound interface. Using the different kinds of interfaces, you will be able to filter the data that originates from the domain managers. This chapter contains the following sections:

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Interfaces

Prime Central for HCS supports two northbound interfaces. They are:

- **SNMP Notifications**—Prime Central for HCS supports SNMP Trap Notifications. NBI listeners are added/updated/removed by WebServices API.
- **WebServices API**—Prime Central for HCS supports the following WebServices APIs:
 - [authenticate—authenticate Response, page 3-1](#)
 - [getActiveEventCount—getActiveEventCount Response, page 3-2](#)
 - [getActiveEvents—getActiveEvents Response, page 3-2](#)
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Data

Incoming events are alarms raised by the underlying domain managers (such as CUOM, UCS Manager) that indicate the health of the managed devices. Prime Central for HCS supports various levels of processing for these incoming events. Shown below are the various levels of processing:

- Normalized-only events—Events that Prime Central for HCS receives and normalizes. These events are not enriched further. It passes on the events directly to northbound system without additional processing. These events are marked with EventTypeID=default.
- Enriched events—After normalization, some events are enriched with additional information. For example, CUOM events are enriched with the CustomerName, the VM Name in which the UC application is running, and others. Some of the enriched events are used to determine its impact on customer services by overlaying them on the service impact tree.
- Root-cause events—Synthetic events that were determined to be root-cause of the failure.
- Symptomatic events—Synthetic events that were part of event correlation but were determined not to be root-cause of the failure.
- Synthetic Events—These are events generated internally to indicate a category of events. For example, all Service Down events on a CUCM node, which indicate that services running on the CUCM node are down, are grouped under the Synthetic event named OM_CUCM_Processed. Synthetic events that participate in the correlation tree used for root cause analysis.
- Service-impact events—Service-impact events describe the state of services; this is an event generated to notify the state of the top node in the service impact tree.

For more information on the enrichment level, see table “[Level of Event Enrichment Based on Various Parameters](#)”. For more information on individual field names contained in an NBI event notification, see table “[NBI Event Format](#)”.

Table 2-1 Level of Event Enrichment Based on Various Parameters

Field Name	Normalized-Only Events	Enriched-Only Events	Root-Cause Events	Symptomatic Events	Service Impact Events
EventIdentifier	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
EventName	Yes (only for CUOM, UCSM, Infrastructure Monitoring)	Yes (only for CUOM, UCSM, Infrastructure Monitoring)	—	—	—
Summary	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
ComponentId	Yes (only for CUOM, UCSM, Infrastructure Monitoring)	Yes (only for CUOM, UCSM, Infrastructure Monitoring)	—	—	—
DeviceId	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	—
DomainManagerID	Yes	Yes	No	—	—

Table 2-1 Level of Event Enrichment Based on Various Parameters (continued)

Field Name	Normalized-Only Events	Enriched-Only Events	Root-Cause Events	Symptomatic Events	Service Impact Events
Customer	—	Yes (Only OM & Infrastructure Monitoring VM events)	Yes (Only OM & Infrastructure Monitoring VM events)	Yes (Only OM & Infrastructure Monitoring VM events)	Yes
CustomerExtName	—	Yes (Only OM & Infrastructure Monitoring VM events)	Yes (Only OM & Infrastructure Monitoring VM events)	Yes (Only OM & Infrastructure Monitoring VM events)	Yes
CauseType	Yes (set to Unknown)	Yes (set to Unknown)	Yes (set to Rootcause)	Yes (set to Symptom)	—
ParentEventID	—	—	Yes	Yes	—
Severity	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
OriginalSeverity	Yes	Yes	—	—	—
EventTypeId	—	Yes	Yes	Yes	—
ProblemeventID	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
ServiceName (for service events only)	—	—	—	—	Yes
ServiceImpactType (for service events only)	—	—	—	—	Yes
OperationalDataPointer	Yes (only for CUOM, UCSM, Infrastructure Monitoring)	Yes (only for CUOM, UCSM, Infrastructure Monitoring)	—	—	—

This section explains the formats of the incoming SNMP v2C Trap and description of the associated variable bindings. This table also indicates the fields or variable bindings that can be used to filter the incoming data.

Table 2-2 NBI Event Format

Field Name	Filterable	Field Description	Field Type	Field Value	Varbind Oid
EventName	No	Name of the event	OctetString	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Synthetic events: HCM defined EventName (similar to EventTypeID) UCSM events: text representation of cucsFaultCode enum CUOM events: EventName 	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.1
Summary	No	Brief description of the event	OctetString	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Synthetic events: HCS defined event summary CUOM events: AlarmDescription UCSM events: cencucsFaultDescription 	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.2
ComponentId	Yes	Name/identifier of the component within device that event is raised for (For example, UCS blade)	OctetString	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Synthetic events: take below fields from original domain manger event CUOM events: cenAlarmManagedObjectClass UCSM events: cucsFaultAffectedObjectDn 	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.3
DeviceId	Yes	Hostname or IP of device that originated event (For example, CUCM, Router, etc.)	OctetString	—	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.4
DomainManagerID	Yes	IP address of domain manager that sent event to Prime Central for HCS (For example, CUOM, UCSM, etc.)	OctetString	—	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.5
Customer	Yes	Customer Name	OctetString	—	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.6

Table 2-2 NBI Event Format (continued)

Field Name	Filterable	Field Description	Field Type	Field Value	Varbind Oid
CustomerExtName	Yes	Customer Name used in MSP external CMDBs (stored in HCS CDM)	OctetString	—	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.7
CauseType	Yes	Flag indicating whether event is the root cause or symptomatic event <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0—Unknown • 1—Root cause • 2—Symptom number True for events identified as root-cause and marked only after root cause is finalized, that is after the RCA timer expires. False for others. 	Gauge32	—	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.8
ParentEventID	No	EventID pointing to parent event in correlation tree – can be used by NB system to reconstruct Prime Central for HCS event correlation tree for this event	OctetString	—	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.9

Table 2-2 NBI Event Format (continued)

Field Name	Filterable	Field Description	Field Type	Field Value	Varbind Oid
Severity	Yes	Event severity assigned by Prime Central for HCS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0—Clear • 1—Indeterminate • 2—Warning • 3—Minor • 4—Major • 5—Critical 	Gauge32	For cleared events severity = 0; For active events, see Prime Central for HCS and domain manager severity mapping	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.10
Original Severity	No	Original event severity assigned by domain manager.	OctetString	—	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.11
EventTypeId	No	ID used to group domain manager events with the similar impact on component state for common Prime Central for HCS processing. For example, UCS_Blade_Availability includes all events causing blade failure.	OctetString	See EventTypeID Mapping .	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.12
Problemevent ID	No	Used for clearing event. Refers to previous problem event which it clears.	OctetString	EventID of the event that is being cleared	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.13
ServiceName (for service events only)	No	Name of Prime Central for HCS service that event is raised for (For example, Customer Voice).	OctetString	Name of top node of service impact tree (for example, Customer Voice Service).	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.14

Table 2-2 NBI Event Format (continued)

Field Name	Filterable	Field Description	Field Type	Field Value	Varbind Oid
ServiceImpactType (for service events only)	No	Service state; state of the service with ServiceName.	OctetString	State of the top node of instance of service impact tree (for example, state of Customer Voice Service for customer X); Values can be: UP, MARGINAL or DOWN	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.15
OperationalDataPointer (for RC events only)	No	Pointer to the knowledge base/reference guides with next steps information	OctetString	URL to specific event as specified in domain manager event reference guide	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.16
Count	No	Number of times this event has occurred.	Gauge32	—	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.17
EventStatus	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0—Type not set • 1—Problem • 2—Resolution 	Gauge32	—	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.18
Last Occurrence	No	Timestamp indicating when the event last occurred. The value is represented in seconds since epoch.	Gauge32	—	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.19
PrimeGuiUrl	No	Event URL.	OctetString	—	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.20
EventIdentifier	Yes	Unique ID for each event.	OctetString	—	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.21

Table 2-2 NBI Event Format (continued)

Field Name	Filterable	Field Description	Field Type	Field Value	Varbind Oid
ContainerId	Yes	Synthetic Event Identifier for Raw events.	OctetString	—	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.22
FirstOccurrence	No	Timestamp indicating when event first occurred. The value is represented in seconds since epoch.	Gauge32-	—	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.23

The following table explains the mapping of severity between Prime Central for HCS and domain managers.

Table 2-3 Prime Central for HCS and domain manager severity mapping

Prime Central for HCS Severity	CUOM Severity	UCSM Severity	DCSM-SAN Severity	DCNM-LAN Severity	Infrastructure Monitoring Severity
0—Clear, Green	N/A	0—Clear	—	—	—
1—Indeterminate, Purple	N/A	1—Info	Debugging	Debugging	Informational
2—Warning, Blue	Informational	3—Warning	Info, Notification	Info, Notification	Harmless
3—Minor, Yellow	Warning	4—Minor	Warning	Warning	Warning
4—Major, Orange	N/A	5—Major	Alert, Emergencies	Alert, Emergencies	—
5—Critical, Red	Critical	6—Critical	Error, Critical	Error, Critical	Critical

Filtering

Using the filtering arguments available in Prime Central for HCS Northbound API, you can retrieve event data based on your requirement. For information on examples of usage of whereclause, see [Examples of Usage of whereclause, page 3-5](#).

To see if the data is filterable, see table “NBI Event Format”. You can set filters based on the parameters outlined in the table.

Rules for Writing Filters

There are three categories of filters associated with NBI. They are:

- Gateway filter—Used to subscribe API of NBI. Gateway filter defines which of the events should be forwarded to the destination.
- Active event retrieval filter—Used in the `getActiveEvents` and `getActiveEventCount` API of NBI. This filter defines which of the events should be retrieved from the Active event database.
- Archive event retrieval filter—Used in the `getArchivedEvents` and `getActivatedEventCount` API of NBI. This filter defines which of the events should be retrieved from the Archived event database.

The following restrictions apply:

- Filters will follow the format of SQL Where Clause. For more information, see chapter [WSDL Specifications](#).
- You can specify only those columns which are marked as filterable. Filter clause should then use the corresponding name as specified in Field Name column of “[NBI Event Format](#)” to be used in NBI Filter.



Note

The name is case sensitive. Specify exactly as mentioned in the table.

- Review the Field type to understand if a column is of type Number or of type String. The filter expression syntax will be different for these two types of variables.
- It may also be necessary to review the expected set of values for the columns that are of type Number. For example, for active events, you must specify `EventStatus=1`. For symptomatic events, you must specify `CauseType=2`.

The following rules apply when specifying where clause conditions:

- Where clause can include logical operators such as AND and OR.
- Where clause can include standard comparison operators such as `<`, `>`, `<=`, `>=`, `=`, `!=`, `<>`
- Oracle-specific conditional clause "is null" or "not null" are not supported.
- (Use column `!= ''` instead to get expected output)
- IN clause is supported
- LIKE clause is supported with an exception that `%` and `_` characters will be treated as literals.
- String (VARCHAR) values within WHERE condition must be specified within single quotes (for example, `DeviceId='CUCM-1'`).
- Numbers within WHERE condition must be specified without any quotes (for example, `Severity=5`)

