



Understanding the Web Service Interfaces

Using Prime Central for HCS, you can view the events in a single dashboard that originates from the domain managers.

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Interfaces

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

- **SNMP Notifications**—Prime Central for HCS supports SNMP Trap Notifications. SNMP listeners are added, updated, or removed by WebServices API.
- **WebServices API**—Prime Central for HCS supports the following WebServices APIs:
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Data

Incoming events are alarms raised by the underlying domain managers (such as Cisco Unified Operations Manager (CUOM), UCS Manager) that indicates the status of the managed devices. Prime Central for HCS supports various levels of processing for these incoming events and they listed below:

- 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 a 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—Raw or synthetic events that are the root-cause of the failure.
- Symptomatic events—Raw or synthetic events that are part of event correlation but not the 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 are 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 [Table 2-1](#). For more information on individual field names in an NBI event notification, see table [Table 2-2](#).

When symptom and root-cause events arrive, it is possible that a symptom event is marked as a root-cause event until such time as the root-cause event arrives. After the real root-cause event arrives, the CauseType of the symptom event changes to symptom.

If you have set subscription filters based on CauseType, you will receive the symptom event as a root-cause event. However, this will later be updated with the CauseType Symptom.

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)	Yes (same as EventType ID)	Yes (same as EventType ID)	—
Summary	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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
ComponentId	Yes (only for CUOM, UCSM, Infrastructure Monitoring)	Yes (only for CUOM, UCSM, Infrastructure Monitoring)	Yes (only vCenter and UCSM Events)	Yes (only vCenter and UCSM Events)	—
DeviceId	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	—
DomainManagerID	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	—
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
OperationalDataPorter	Yes (only for CUOM, UCSM, Infrastructure Monitoring)	Yes (only for CUOM, UCSM, Infrastructure Monitoring)	—	—	—
Dashboard URL	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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
Count	Yes	Yes	—	—	—
Last Occurrence	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Event Status	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	

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	Yes	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

Table 2-2 NBI Event Format (continued)

Field Name	Filterable	Field Description	Field Type	Field Value	Varbind OID
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
Domain ManagerID	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
Customer ExtName	Yes	Customer Name used in MSP external CMDBs (stored in HCS CDM)	OctetString	—	1.3.6.1.4.1.1279.7

Table 2-2 NBI Event Format (continued)

Field Name	Filterable	Field Description	Field Type	Field Value	Varbind OID
CauseType	Yes	<p>Flag indicating whether event is the root cause or symptomatic event</p> <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
ParentEvent ID	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
Severity	Yes	<p>Event severity assigned by Prime Central for HCS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0—Clear • 1—Indeterminate • 2—Warning • 3—Minor • 4—Major • 5—Critical 	Gauge32	<p>For cleared events severity = 0;</p> <p>For active events, see Prime Central for HCS and Domain Manager Severity Mapping</p>	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

Table 2-2 NBI Event Format (continued)

Field Name	Filterable	Field Description	Field Type	Field Value	Varbind OID
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)	Yes	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
ServiceImpactType (for service events only)	Yes	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

Table 2-2 NBI Event Format (continued)

Field Name	Filterable	Field Description	Field Type	Field Value	Varbind OID
Type	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1—More Severe • 2—Less Severe • 3—Information 	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
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 the Prime Central for HCS Northbound API you can retrieve event data based on your requirements. 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 [Table 2-2](#). You can set filters based on the parameters outlined in the table.

Rules for Writing Filters

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

- Gateway filter—Used in the subscribe API of the 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 the 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 the NBI. This filter defines which of the events should be retrieved from the Archived event database.

The following restrictions apply:

- Filters follow the format of a SQL where clause. For more information, see chapter [WSDL Specifications](#).
- You can specify only those columns that are marked as filterable and they are listed in [Table 2-2](#).

**Note**

The Fieldnames are case-sensitive. Specify exactly as mentioned in the [Table 2-2](#).

- Review the Field type to understand if a column is of type Number or String. The filter expression syntax is 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.
- Do not use Ampersand (&) to filter data.

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 clauses *is null* or *not null* are not supported.
- Use column != '' to get expected output.
- IN clause is supported.
- LIKE clause is supported with an exception that Percentage (%) and Underscore (_) are 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)