

ESRD NETWORK 13



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New Recommendation – PATIENT EDUCATION AWARENESS

RECOMMENDATION:

100% of all dialysis patients will have documentation of education of modality options at least annually to include; hemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis, home hemodialysis, transplant (inclusive of identification of potential living donors) and no treatment.

- The Patient Plan of Care meeting is the avenue for providing individualized patient education as directed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Phase III ESRD Clinical Performance Measures. The patient's physician, registered nurse, social worker and dietitian are required to participate in the Patient Plan of Care meeting. Documentation of required education by each member of the care team must be evident in the Plan of Care.

CRITERIA:

Documentation of initial and annual education about modality options must be located in each ESRD patient's individualized assessment and/or plan of care. Documentation shall be specific to:

- Individualized education, by each indicated care team member, on all modality options
- Documentation of patient's preference for modality
- Documentation of facility actions to meet patient's modality preference

RATIONALE: To ensure all patients are being educated about each treatment modality option available, the pros and cons of each treatment modality and information on availability of the treatment modality at the facility or referral process to obtain the treatment modality.

Documentation of education provided by each care team member to all in-center hemodialysis patients has been included in the CMS Phase III ESRD Clinical Performance Measures in effect April 1, 2008. With the upcoming release of CROWNWeb 1.0 in February 2009, all CPM's will have outcomes being calculated at the facility level and aggregated at the ESRD Network and National levels. It should be noted that CROWNWeb does not currently have a mechanism in version 1.0 to collect and analyze information on the documentation of the facility level Patient Education Awareness CPM. However, CMS has the authority to direct the Network to collect this data directly from the facilities at any time. Upon institution of an evaluation mechanism through CROWNWeb, this recommendation will be reassessed for transition to a Network Standard.

REFERENCE:

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Phase III ESRD Clinical Performance Measures in effect April 1, 2008.

Patient Plan of Care Required Information Checklist

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