Heartland Kidney Network QI

The New Conditions for Coverage: Care Plans and Patient Assessment

This information sheet is being provided as an adjunct to the new Conditions for Coverage. It should not to be considered as an all-inclusive compilation. The document contains "nutshell type" information bytes to help the dialysis facility staff become more familiar with the new requirements. All facilities are expected to familiarize themselves with the Conditions for Coverage.

Modality	Time Frame	Contents	Comprehensive Re-Assessment	Comments
Hemodialysis and Peritoneal Dialysis	To be completed within 30 calendar days after patients first dialysis date HD monthly PD every 4 months	Health Status The general medical condition and co-morbidities Appropriateness of Dialysis Prescription Blood pressure and fluid management Lab Profile & Medication History • Anemia Management • Renal Bond Disease • Nutritional Status Psycho-Social Assessment Dialysis Access Type & Maintenance Suitability for T-Plant Referral • Prospective T-Plant Center/surgeon criteria • Basis for non-candidacy is documented in chart Family and other Support System Patients Current Physical Activity Level Vocational and Physical Rehabilitation Status and Potential Adequacy of Dialysis Delivered Kt/V or equivalent	Annually for stable patient Monthly for unstable patient *	A comprehensive assessment is to be developed by the patient or designee, RN, nephrologist, MSW, and RD. It should include the treatment plan and expectations for care. Include the patients' interests, preferences, and goals for participation in care – including home dialysis modalities.

* Unstable Patient Including but not limited to, patients requiring extended or frequent hospitalizations; having marked deterioration in health status, significant changes in psycho-social needs, poor nutritional status, un-managed anemia, and/or inadequate dialysis.

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