



End Stage Renal Disease Network Frequently Used Acronyms

2728 ESRD Medical Evidence Report
2744 Annual Facility Survey Form
2746 Death Notification Form

A

AAKP American Association of Kidney Patients
AAMI Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation
AHCPR Agency of Health Care Policy and Research
AHRQ Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
AKF American Kidney Fund
ANNA American Nephrology Nurses' Association
ASN American Society of Nephrology
AVF Arteriovenous Fistulae
AVG Arteriovenous Graft

B

BCG Bromcresol green (lab method for serum albumin)
BCP Bromcresol Purple (lab method for serum albumin)
BFR Blood Flow Rate
BIC Beneficiary Identification Code
BIPA Benefits Improvement and Protection Act
BUN Blood Urea Nitrogen
BOD Board of Directors
BSA Body Surface Area
BSN Bachelor of Science in Nursing
BSW Bachelor of Social Work

C

CAC Carrier Advisory Committee
CAD Cadaveric Donor
CAN Chronic Allograft Nephrology
CAPD Continuous Ambulatory Peritoneal Dialysis
CCHT Certified Clinical Hemodialysis Technician
CCI Creatinine Clearance
CCPD Continuous Cycling Peritoneal Dialysis
CDC Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CDE Certified Diabetes Educator
CDS Core Data Set
CEU Continuing Education Unit
CDN Certified Dialysis Nurse
CHT Certified Hemodialysis Technician
CIR Community Information & Resources
CKD Chronic Kidney Disease
CME Continuing Medical Education
CMHCB Care Management for High Cost Beneficiaries
CMS Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
CMSDC CMS Data Center



CMSW	Certified Master of Social Work
CNN	Certified Nephrology Nurse
CNSW	Council of Nephrology Social Workers
CO	Central Office (CMS)
COB	Coordination of Benefits
COGNOS	A Financial Management Information System
CPHQ	Certified Professional in Healthcare Quality
CPM	Clinical Performance Measures
CQI	Continuous Quality Improvement
CRI	Chronic Renal Insufficiency
CRN	Council of Renal Nutritionists
CROWN	Consolidated Renal Operations in a Web-enabled Network
CSC	Computer Sciences Corporation
CV	Curriculum Vitae

D

DFC	Dialysis Facility Compare
DFS	Division of Facility Services
DHEC	Department of Health and Environmental Control
DHHS	Department of Health and Human Services
DHR	Department of Human Resources
DM	Data Manager
DOPPS	Dialysis Outcomes Practice Patterns Study
DON	Director of Nursing
DOQI	Dialysis Outcomes Quality Initiative
DPC	Decreasing Dialysis Patient/Provider Conflict
DVA	Department of Veteran's Affairs

E

EC	Executive Committee
ED	Executive Director
EDEES	ESRD Data Entry and Editing System
EGHP	Employer Group Health Plan
ELAB	Electronic collection of lab data
eKt/V	Equilibrated Kt/V (See Kt/V)
ELT	Electronically
EPO	Epogen or Erythropoietin
ERB	Engineering Review Board
ESRD	End Stage Renal Disease
eSOURCE	ESRD Software for our Users in Renal Care Environments

F

FF	Fistula First
FFBI	Fistula First Breakthrough Initiative
FI	Fiscal Intermediary
FNP	Family Nurse Practitioner
FORUM	Forum of ESRD Networks
FPR	Final Project Report



G

GAO General Accounting Office
GFR Glomerular Filtration Rate

H

HbsAb Hepatitis B surface antibody
HbsAg Hepatitis B surface antigen
HBV Hepatitis B Virus
HC Hard Copy
HCFA Health Care Financing Administration (Now CMS)
HCQIP Health Care Quality Improvement Program
HCT Hematocrit
HD Hemodialysis
HHD Home Hemodialysis
HMO Health Maintenance Organization
HGB Hemoglobin
HIC Health Insurance Claim
HIPAA Health Information Portability and Accountability Act

I

IHI Institute for Healthcare Improvement
IM Information Management
IMRP Instruction Manual for Renal Providers
IPD Intermittent Peritoneal Dialysis
IQC Internal Quality Control
IQP Internal Quality Program
IRB Institutional Review Board
ISD Information Services Director
IV Intravenous

J

K

Kt/V A method to measure adequacy of dialysis. K = the dialyzer clearance, t = time on dialysis, and V = volume of water in the patient's body.
K/DOQI Kidney Disease Outcomes Quality Initiative

L

LCSW Licensed Clinical Social Worker
LDO Large Dialysis Organization
LISW Licensed Independent Social Worker
LMSW Licensed Master of Social Work
LORAC Life Options Rehabilitation Advisory Council
LPN Licensed Practical Nurse
LRD Living Related Donor
LRD Licensed Registered Dietician
LTFU Lost to Follow-Up



LURD Living Unrelated Donor

M

M+C Medicare + Choice
MD Medical Doctor
MPH Master of Public Health
MRB Medical Review Board
MSN Master of Science in Nursing
MSW Master of Social Work

N

NANT National Association of Nephrology Technicians/Technologists
NC Network Council
NCC Network Coordinating Council
NetRep Network Representative
NIDDK National Institute for Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases
NIH National Institutes of Health
NIP National Improvement Plan
NIPD Nocturnal Intermittent Peritoneal Dialysis
NKDEP National Kidney Disease Education Program
NKF National Kidney Foundation
NPP Narrative Project Plan
nPCR Normalized Protein Catabolic Rate
NRAA National Renal Administrators Association
NVAII National Vascular Access Improvement Initiative
NW Network or ESRD Network (Network 12)

O

ODIE Online Data Input and Edit
OCSQ Office of Clinical Standards and Quality
OGC Office of General Council
OHRP Office of Human Research Protection
OIC Opportunity to Improve Care
OIG Office of Inspector General
OPO Organ Procurement Organization
OPTN Organ Procurement and Transplant Network
ORD Office of Research and Demonstrations
ORS Office of Regulatory Services
OSCAR Online Survey Certification Reporting
OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration

P

PA Physician's Assistant
PAR Patient Activity Report
PCT Patient Care Technician
PD Peritoneal Dialysis
PhD Philosophy Doctorate
PID Project Idea Document
PIP Performance Improvement Plan



PMMIS Program Management and Medical Information System
PO Project Officer (CMS)
PRO Peer Review Organization (Now called QIO)
PSC Patient Services Coordinator
Pt Patient
PtRep Patient Representative

Q

QA Quality Assurance
QAPI Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement
QD Quotidian Dialysis
QI Quality Improvement
QID Quality Improvement Director
QIO Quality Improvement Organization (Formerly PRO)
QIP Quality Improvement Project
QIS Quality Improvement Specialist
QNET Quality Net (Exchange vs. Conference)
QTY Quantity

R

RD Registered Dietician
REBUS Renal Beneficiary Utilization System
REMIS Renal Management Information System
RHIT Registered Health Information Technician
RN Registered Nurse
RO Regional Office (CMS)
ROPO Regional Office Project Officer
RPA Renal Physicians' Association

S

SA State Agency/ State Survey Agency
SC Subcutaneous
SIMS Standard Information Management System
SKC Southeastern Kidney Council
SME Subject Matter Expert
SOW Statement of Work
SSA Social Security Administration
SSN Social Security Number

T

TCV Total Cell Volume
TEP Technical Expert Panel
TQE Total Quality Environment
Tsat Transferring Saturation

U

UKM Urea Kinetic Modeling



UNOS United Network of Organ Sharing
UPI Unique Patient Identifier
UPIN Unique Physician Identification Number
URR Urea Reduction Ratio
USRDS United States Renal Data System
USAT Unit Self Assessment Tool

V

VA Veteran's Administration or Veteran's Affairs
VHA Veteran's Health Administration
VISION Vital Information System to Improve Outcomes in Nephrology
VR Vocational Rehabilitation

W

WHO World Health Organization

X

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Z