

CMS 2728 FORM FACTS FOR PATIENTS

WHAT IS A CMS 2728 FORM?

The <u>CMS 2728 form</u> is also known as the *End Stage Renal Disease Medical Evidence Report for Medicare Entitlement and/or Patient Registration*. The CMS 2728 form securely supplies your medical evidence of your diagnosis to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and to the Social Security Administration (SSA).

The CMS 2728 form has information such as your identifiers and demographics, primary cause of renal disease (as determined by your nephrologist), comorbid conditions over the last 10 years, laboratory results, dialysis or transplant procedure information, your signature (as the patient), and your nephrologist's or transplant surgeon's signature.

WHO NEEDS A CMS 2728 FORM?

All End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) dialysis and kidney transplant patients need a CMS 2728 form. Dialysis patients with Acute Kidney Injury (AKI) will not have a CMS 2728 form until/or if they become ESRD.

WHY SHOULD YOU HAVE A SIGNED CMS 2728 FORM?

The information provided on the CMS 2728 form will be used by the Social Security Administration to determine if you are entitled to ESRD Medicare. If you have an incomplete or unsigned CMS 2728 form, ESRD Medicare benefits can be denied or put on hold as result.

Additionally, if you are a dialysis patient and don't have a CMS 2728 form, it may be difficult to transfer to or travel between dialysis facilities for your care. If you choose to go on the transplant waitlist, the transplant program will require a copy of a complete CMS 2728 from your time on dialysis as well.



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WHEN DO YOU SIGN YOUR CMS 2728 FORM?

If you are an ESRD patient, you will sign your CMS 2728 form upon initiation of dialysis or following a kidney transplant. The CMS 2728 form should be signed (by you and your nephrologist) and submitted to Medicare no later than 45 days following your first date of dialysis or transplant date.

HOW IS YOUR CMS 2728 FORM SUBMITTED TO MEDICARE?

If you are a dialysis patient and are applying for Medicare, your dialysis facility should send a copy of your final CMS 2728 form to the Social Security Administration on your behalf.

If you are a transplant patient and are applying for Medicare, your transplant program should provide you with a final copy of your CMS 2728 form and you should bring it to your local Social Security Administration office. You can find your local Social Security Administration office by inputting your home zip code at https://secure.ssa.gov/ICON/main.jsp and selecting "I Need Other Services".

WHO DO YOU CONTACT IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS?

If you have questions or concerns about your CMS 2728 form, you can speak with your dialysis facility or transplant program staff.

Your Dialysis Facility Phone Number:	
Your Dialysis Facility Social Worker:	
Your Transplant Unit Phone Number:	
Your Transplant Unit Social Worker:	