

## **CMS 2746 Form Overview and FAQs**

To comply with current CMS policy, all CMS 2746 Forms must be submitted in EQRS no later than 14 days following a patient's date of death.

## What is a CMS 2746 (End Stage Renal Disease Death Notification) Form?

- The 2746 form is required to be submitted in EQRS to sufficiently notify CMS and/or Medicare of a patient's death.
- A 2746 form is primarily used to terminate a patient's Medicare benefits in a timely manner.

## Why is a CMS 2746 Form needed?

- It is important to submit a timely 2746 form, so that the patient's EQRS record reflects accurate and true information.
- A submitted 2746 form is crucial to having an accurate patient representation on your facility's CMS 2744 Form/Annual Facility Survey.

## CMS 2746 Form FAQs:

- Who do you contact if you need to make a change to a submitted 2746 form in EQRS?
  - If the modification request is made within 5 days of submission, you will contact the QualityNet Service Center Helpdesk at 1-866-288-8912 to request a modification.
  - o If the modification request is made after 5 days of submission, a modification will not be approved, per CMS policy.
- If a patient recently transferred to another facility and only treated once; which dialysis facility is required to complete the 2746 form?
  - The dialysis facility responsible for providing the patient's last dialysis treatment will complete the 2746.
- What happens if a patient discontinues dialysis and passes away within 30 days of their last dialysis treatment?
  - The dialysis facility who provided the most recent dialysis treatment is still responsible for the 2746 completion within 14 days of death.
- What if a patient discontinues dialysis and passes away 31 days or more following their last dialysis treatment?
  - If after 30 days, a patient has not passed away, the 2746 form should not be completed.



- Who does the facility contact if they cannot enter the patient's date or cause of death, in order to complete the 2746 form?
  - After 90 days, the facility will not be able to edit the patient demographics.
    Please contact Midwest Kidney Network Data staff to assist with entering the data.
- What is the code if a patient passes away from COVID-19?
  - If a patient passes away with a primary cause of COVID-19, the cause of death should be code 105 on the 2746 form.

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