

Patients New to Dialysis to HOME: Quality Improvement Plan

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MONTH ONE: JUNE

- Review home dialysis facility reports (provided by the Network) when available. Complete root cause analysis on your barriers in getting patients from MD offices for home dialysis - identify any common trends if any.
- Utilize resources in the [Home Dialysis Resource Toolkit](#) to **identify an intervention** for implementation to address gaps/opportunities identified in your root cause analysis.
- Reach out to your referral MDs and identify the person responsible for modality education of CKD patients.
- Review link to our webpage for resources for **patients new to dialysis**. [Home Dialysis Web Site](#)
- Reach out to do **lobby days in your MD offices** who refer to you.
- Email Network project leader to report your barriers and name of referral persons from MD office by **June 30th**. Deborah.bowe@midwestkidneynetwork.org. I will send out a reminder before.

MONTH TWO: JULY

- Review Home Dialysis Change Package for ideas to increase referrals [Home Dialysis Change Package](#)
- Share an **educational resource with patients** related to benefits of home dialysis– provide a handout, create a bulletin board, hang a poster by the scale, etc. Reach out if you need additional resources.
- Schedule a **lobby days** for patients to see and talk about home dialysis in your referral units.
- Email Network project leader to update on above activities along by **July 26th** – report any successes or challenges, etc. Deborah.bowe@midwestkidneynetwork.org

MONTH THREE: AUGUST

- Review and discuss any **new admissions** with your team. Identify potential candidates for home dialysis in MD offices.
- Continue previous month activities – evaluate trends and identify successful interventions or where new strategies are required.
- Email Network project leader an update by **August 23rd** Deborah.bowe@midwestkidneynetwork.org

MONTH FOUR: SEPTEMBER

- Continue previous month activities – **evaluate trends** and identify successful interventions where new strategies are required. Network will send data monthly.
- Report any findings and/or best practices from your evaluation of home dialysis starts.
- Email Network project leader a final project overview/summary by **September 27th** Deborah.bowe@midwestkidneynetwork.org