



## **Keeping Home Dialysis Patients Safe** For Peritoneal Dialysis and Home Hemodialysis Patients

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# Adaptation of new guidelines for daily clinic routine

- Direct communication via telephone reminders and mails
  - New procedures to expect before coming to the clinic and upon arrival
  - Limitation of visitors, care support partners
  - Flyers from CDC, corporate, ESRD Network
- New clinic set-up
- Weekly staff quality assessment meeting

## Ways to keep in touch with the clinic

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- Verbal consent from patients
- This platform is not limited to doctors. It is also available to the Renal Dietitian and the Social Worker.
- Home Dialysis Nurse On-Call
  - after "clinic hours" support

# Home dialysis supplies

- Review of home inventory of dialysis supplies
- Consider available help during delivery of dialysis boxes
- Medication reconciliation and help coordinating pharmacy order to limit number of pick-ups/deliveries
- Considerations for self-administration of ESA

# Additional support

- Renal Dietitian
  - Review 3-day Emergency Renal Diet
  - Information on special grocery store hours
  - Discuss proper food options especially with limited resources from food bank or cooked dishes from other people.
- Social Worker involvement
  - Review of insurance coverage for transportation
  - Kidney transplant list concerns

## Triage for symptomatic patients

- Patient stays in a private room for assessment.
- MD to refer for COVID 19 lab testing.
- Ability to test patient while in the clinic.
- Follow-up with re-testing until with 2x negative results.