

Have your heard about home dialysis?

Conversation Starter: Patient Introduction to Home Dialysis

Home modality is one of many treatment options for dialysis patients. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and ESRD Networks want dialysis patients and dialysis centers to start a conversation about home dialysis. Patients, Family members and Caregivers can start a conversation with their doctor and dialysis facility healthcare team.



I spoke with my doctor and he said I have to get treatment at a dialysis center.

Fact: Your treatments can take place in the comfort of your home. Talk with your doctor or facility healthcare team.

Can I travel to see my family if I transition from in-center to home dialysis?



Fact: With Peritoneal Dialysis you have freedom to travel and can take your supplies along with you.



I attend school and don't have time to go to a dialysis facility. Can I just go to the hospital when I am not feeling well?

Fact: It is not recommended you use hospitals as your primary treatment options, however please visit a hospital for emergencies. You can talk with your doctor about a referral for a home therapy program such as Peritoneal or Home Hemodialysis.

I have to work, have a family with children who are very active in sports. How can I continue with everyone's activities while on dialysis?



Fact: Home dialysis allows you to continue with your activities. There are a few options to discuss with your doctor and your clinic's healthcare team.



I have a small apartment, do I need a lot of space for my home dialysis supplies?

Fact: Home dialysis requires space and some people will place their supplies in a closet to maintain other space at home.

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