

**FORUM OF ESRD NETWORKS
KIDNEY PATIENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (KPAC)
FREQUENTLY USED ACRONYMS**



2728 ESRD Medical Evidence Report
2744 Annual Facility Survey Form
2746 Death Notification Form

A

AAKP American Association of Kidney Patients
AAMI Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation
ACO Accountable Care Organizations
AHCPR Agency of Health Care Policy and Research
AHRQ Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
AHQA American Health Quality Association (QIOs)
AJKD American Journal of Kidney Disease
AKF American Kidney Fund
AKI Acute Kidney Injury / Acute Renal Failure
AMA American Medical Association
ANNA American Nephrology Nurses' Association
ARF Acute Renal Failure
ASN American Society of Nephrology
AV Arteriovenous
AVF Arteriovenous Fistulae
AVG Arteriovenous Graft

B

BAC Beneficiary Advisory Council (Forum)
BFR Blood Flow Rate
BIC Beneficiary Identification Code
BIPA Benefits Improvement and Protection Act
BUN Blood Urea Nitrogen
BOD Board of Directors
BSA Body Surface Area
BSN Bachelor of Science in Nursing
BSW Bachelor of Social Work
BUN Blood Urea Nitrogen
BV Blood Volume

C

CAD Cadaveric Donor
CAHPS Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems
CAN Chronic Allograft Nephrology
CAPD Continuous Ambulatory Peritoneal Dialysis
CCHT Certified Clinical Hemodialysis Technician
CCI Creatinine Clearance
CCPD Continuous Cycling Peritoneal Dialysis

CCSQ	Centers for Clinical Standards & Quality (CMS)
CCT	Controlled Clinical Trial
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CDE	Certified Diabetes Educator
CDN	Certified Dialysis Nurse
CDS	Core Data Set
CEU	Continuing Education Unit
CfC	Conditions for Coverage
CHT	Certified Hemodialysis Technician
CKD	Chronic Kidney Disease
CME	Continuing Medical Education
CMHCB	Care Management for High Cost Beneficiaries
CMMI	Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMS)
CMO	Chief Medical Officer
CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
CMSDC	CMS Data Center
CMSW	Certified Master of Social Work
CNN	Certified Nephrology Nurse
CNSW	Council of Nephrology Social Workers
CO	Central Office (CMS)
COB	Coordination of Benefits
COI	Conflict of Interest
COPs	Conditions of Participation
CPHQ	Certified Professional in Healthcare Quality
CPM	Clinical Performance Measures
CQI	Continuous Quality Improvement
CQISCO	Consortium for Quality Improvement & S & C Operations (CMS, Regional Offices)
CRI	Chronic Renal Insufficiency
CROWN	Consolidated Renal Operations in a Web-enabled Network
CRRT	Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy
CSC	Computer Sciences Corporation
CV	Curriculum Vitae

D

DEPCH	Division of ESRD, Population and Community Health (CMS)
DFC	Dialysis Facility Compare
DHHS	Department of Health and Human Services
DHIT	Division of Health Information Technology (CMS)
DHR	Department of Human Resources
DM	Data Manager
DOPPS	Dialysis Outcomes Practice Patterns Study
DON	Director of Nursing
DOQI	Dialysis Outcomes Quality Initiative
DPC	Decreasing Dialysis Patient/Provider Conflict
DPMCE	Division of Program, Management, Communication and Evaluation (CMS)
DQIIMT	Division of Quality Improvement Innovations Model Testing (CMS)
DQM	Division of Quality Measurement (CMS)

DRG Diagnosis Related Group
 DTCP Division of Transforming Clinical Practices (CMS)
 DVA Department of Veteran's Affairs
 DVIQR Division of Value, Incentives & Quality Reporting (CMS)
 DW Dry Weight

E

EC Executive Committee of the Network
 ED Executive Director
 EDAC Executive Director Advisory Council (Forum)
 EDEES ESRD Data Entry and Editing System
 eGFR Estimated Glomerular Filtration
 EGHP Employer Group Health Plan
 EHR Electronic Health Record
 ELAB Electronic collection of lab data
 eKt/V Equilibrated Kt/V (See Kt/V)
 EOB Explanation of Benefits
 EPO Epogen or Erythropoietin
 ESCO ESRD Seamless Care Organizations
 ESRD End Stage Renal Disease
 eSOURCE ESRD Software for our Users in Renal Care Environments

F

FDA Food & Drug Administration
 FF Fistula First
 FFBI Fistula First Breakthrough Initiative
 FFS Fee For Service
 FI Fiscal Intermediary
 FMQAI Florida Medical Quality Assurance, Inc (QIO)
 FNP Family Nurse Practitioner
 FORUM Forum of ESRD Networks
 FPR Final Project Report
 FY Fiscal Year

G

GAO General Accounting Office
 GFR Glomerular Filtration Rate
 GTL Government Task Leader (CMS)

H

HAI Healthcare-Associated Infections
 HbsAb Hepatitis B surface antibody
 HbsAg Hepatitis B surface antigen
 HBV Hepatitis B Virus
 HCFA Health Care Financing Administration (Now CMS)
 HCQIP Health Care Quality Improvement Program
 HCT Hematocrit
 HD Hemodialysis
 HENs Hospital Engagement Networks

HGB	Hemoglobin
HHA	Home Health Agency
HHD	Home Hemodialysis
HHS	Department of Health and Human Services
HIC	Health Insurance Claim
HIE	Health Information Exchange
HIPAA	Health Information Portability and Accountability Act
HIT	Health Information Technology
HMO	Health Maintenance Organization
Hx	History

I

ICD-9-CM	International Classification of Disease, 9 th Revision, Clinical Modification
ICH CAHPS	In-Center Hemodialysis CAHPS
IHI	Institute for Healthcare Improvement
IM	Information Management
IOM	Institute of Medicine
IPD	Intermittent Peritoneal Dialysis
IPRO	Island Peer Review Organization (QIO)
IPP	Innovation Pilot Project
ISHD	International Society of Hemodialysis
IT	Information Technology
IV	Intravenous
IVD	Involuntary Discharge
IVT	Involuntary Transfer

J

JAMA	Journal of the American Medical Association
JASN	Journal of the American Society of Nephrology
JCAHO	Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations

K

Kt/V	A method to measure adequacy of dialysis. K = the dialyzer clearance, t = time on dialysis, and V = volume of water in the patient's body.
KCER	Kidney Community Emergency Response
KCP	Kidney Care Partners
KCQA	Kidney Care Quality Alliance (part of KCP)
KDIGO	Kidney Disease: Inspiring Global Outcomes
KDOQI	Kidney Disease Outcomes Quality Initiative
KEEP	Kidney Early Evaluation Program
KPAC	Kidney Patient Advisory Council (KPAC)

L

LAN	Learning & Action Network
LCSW	Licensed Clinical Social Worker
LDO	Large Dialysis Organization
LISW	Licensed Independent Social Worker
LMSW	Licensed Master of Social Work
LORAC	Life Options Rehabilitation Advisory Council

LPN Licensed Practical Nurse
LRD Living Related Donor
LRD Licensed Registered Dietician
LTFU Lost to Follow-Up
LURD Living Unrelated Donor

M

M+C Medicare + Choice
MAC Medical Advisory Council (Forum)
MCO Managed Care Organization
MD Medical Doctor'
MDH Medicare Dependent Hospital
MDO Medium Dialysis Unit
MedPAC Medicare Payment Advisory Commission
MEI Medical Education Institute
MPH Master of Public Health
MRB Medical Review Board
MSN Master of Science in Nursing
MSW Master of Social Work
MU Meaningful Use

N

NANT National Association of Nephrology Technicians/Technologists
NC Network Council
NCC Network Coordinating Council
NCQA National Committee for Quality Assurance
NEJM New England Journal of Medicine
NEPOP New ESRD Patient Orientation Packet
NHHD Nocturnal Home Hemodialysis
NHSN National Healthcare Safety Network
NIDDK National Institute for Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases
NIH National Institutes of Health
NIP National Improvement Plan
NIPD Nocturnal Intermittent Peritoneal Dialysis
NKDEP National Kidney Disease Education Program
NKF National Kidney Foundation
NKR National Kidney Registry
NN&I Nephrology News & Issues
NPP Narrative Project Plan
NPSF National Patient Safety Foundation
nPCR Normalized Protein Catabolic Rate
NQF National Quality Forum
NQS National Quality Strategies (CMS)
NRAA National Renal Administrators Association
NVAII National Vascular Access Improvement Initiative

O

OAGM Office of Acquisition & Grants Management (CMS)

OCSQ	Office of Clinical Standards and Quality
ODIE	Online Data Input and Edit
OGC	Office of General Council (CMS)
OHRP	Office of Human Research Protection
OIC	Opportunity to Improve Care
OIG	Office of Inspector General (CMS)
ONC	Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology
OPO	Organ Procurement Organization
OPTN	Organ Procurement and Transplant Network
ORD	Office of Research and Demonstrations
ORS	Office of Regulatory Services
OSCAR	Online Survey Certification Reporting
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
OY	Option Year

P

PA	Physician's Assistant
PAR	Patient Activity Report
PCP	Primary Care Physician
PCT	Patient Care Technician
PCU	Patient Contact Utility
PD	Peritoneal Dialysis
PFCC	Patient & Family Centered Care
PfP	Pay for Performance
PfP	Private for Profit
PFPP	Priority Focus Process
PhD	Philosophy Doctorate
PHIPP	Population Health Innovation Pilot Project
PID	Project Idea Document
PIP	Performance Improvement Plan
PKCI	Peer Kidney Care Initiative
PKD	Polycystic Kidney Disease
PMMIS	Program Management and Medical Information System
PO	Project Officer (CMS)
PPS	Prospective Payment System
PRO	Peer Review Organization (Now called QIO)
PSC	Patient Services Coordinator
PSD	Patient Services Director

Q

QA	Quality Assurance
QAPI	Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement
QCPC	Quality Conference Planning Committee (Forum)
QI	Quality Improvement
QID	Quality Improvement Director
QIG	Quality Improvement Group (CMS)
QIIG	Quality Improvement and Innovation Group (CMS)

QIO Quality Improvement Organization (Formerly PRO)
 QIP Quality Improvement Project
 QIS Quality Improvement Specialist
 QMHAG Quality Measurement & Health Assessment Group (CMS)
 QMVG Quality Measurement & Value-Based Incentive Group (CMS)
 QNET Quality Net (Exchange vs. Conference)

R

RD Registered Dietician
 REBUS Renal Beneficiary Utilization System
 REMIS Renal Management Information System
 RHIT Registered Health Information Technician
 RN Registered Nurse
 RO Regional Office (CMS)
 ROPO Regional Office Project Officer
 RPA Renal Physicians' Association
 RSN Renal Support Network

S

SA State Agency/ State Survey Agency
 SC Subcutaneous
 SIMS Standard Information Management System
 SKF Skilled Nursing Facility
 SLE Systemic Lupus Erythematosus
 SME Subject Matter Expert
 SOD Statement of Deliverables
 SOW Statement of Work
 SSA Social Security Administration
 SSN Social Security Number

T

TCPI Transforming Clinical Practice Initiative (CMS)
 TCV Total Cell Volume
 TEP Technical Expert Panel
 TQE Total Quality Environment
 T_{sat} Transferring Saturation
 TX Transplant

U

UKM Urea Kinetic Modeling
 UNOS United Network of Organ Sharing
 UPI Unique Patient Identifier
 UPIN Unique Physician Identification Number
 URR Urea Reduction Ratio
 USRDS United States Renal Data System
 USAT Unit Self-Assessment Tool

V

VA Veteran's Administration or Veteran's Affairs
 VHA Veteran's Health Administration

VISION Vital Information System to Improve Outcomes in Nephrology
VR Vocational Rehabilitation
W X Y Z
WHO World Health Organization

ADDITIONAL ACRONYM AND GLOSSARY RESOURCES

NKF Glossary of Terms

<https://www.kidney.org/atoz/content/simple-kidney-vocabulary-list>

FMC Glossary

<https://www.freseniuskidneycare.com/glossary>

National Center for Biotechnology Information Acronyms and Abbreviations

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK84563/>

Renal Support Network

<http://www.rsnhope.org/programs/kidneytimes-library/article-index/renal-acronyms/>

Kidney Care Partners

<https://kidneycarepartners.com/glossary-of-terms/>