

The Role of the Patient Advisory Council (PAC)

Membership:

The PAC consists of at least 15 patient members. In addition to patients, there are also family members and facility staff on the committee. Membership reflects the Network service area and various treatment modalities.

Purpose:

The purpose of the PAC is to serve as a voice for kidney patients throughout Network 8. The committee is goal and task oriented. The PAC assists with developing Quality Improvement Activities (QIAs) and educational materials that promote patient centered care and patient engagement.

Goals:

- Identify the needs of renal patients
- Provide input into the development of QIAs
- Assist with the development of patient and staff educational materials

Expectations:

- Regularly attend scheduled meetings (3-4 telephone conferences and potentially one face to face)
- Opportunity to participate in CMS meetings, calls, and the National Patient and Family Engagement LAN as requested.
- Provide a patient perspective to assist with other Network projects as needed.

Term:

- Members serve for two years with an opportunity for an extension.