

# Dialysis Patient in a Disaster:

## To find a dialysis facility call these Dialysis Disaster numbers:

TEEC at 866-407-3773 (press 2 for Spanish)

• Fresenius / FKC: 1.800.626.1297

DaVita: 800.400.8331DCI: 866.424.1990

• DCI Donor Hotline/Transient Patients: 800.969.4438

• **ARA:** 888.880.6867

• **Satellite:** 855-396-2212, option 3 (Texas)

• **SAMHSA** - Disaster Distress Helpline: 800.985.5990

• **US Renal Care**: 866.671.8772

• Veteran Disaster Relief Hotline: 800.507.4571

\*You will need to tell the dialysis team if you are COVID-positive or negative and your Hepatitis B status\*

# **Emergency Instructions:**

- 1. Stay at home unless you are hurt.
- 2. Begin survival diet\*\*: 2 cups fluid per 24 hours, no fresh fruit or vegetables fluid per 24 hours, no fresh fruit or vegetables
- 3. Wait at home for instructions and details about dialysis on TV, radio, messenger, or phone.
- 4. If you must go to a shelter, tell the person in charge about your special needs.

Remember: Hospitals may not be equipped to provide maintenance dialysis treatments.

## ADVICE ABOUT YOUR DIET\*\* more info: click here

#### Informacion en Espanol: Su Dieta

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- If you are unable to receive your scheduled dialysis treatment due to extreme weather or any other disaster, remember:
- You should follow this diet **only** for the period of
- time that is necessary until your dialysis services can be resumed time that is necessary until your dialysis services can be resumed.



#### **FLUIDS:**

#### IT IS NECESSARY TO RESTRICT FLUIDS EVEN MORE THAN BEFORE!

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- Your 2-cup daily limit -per 24 hours
- Take your phosphate binder 4 ounces or 1/2 cup of fluid in addition to the 1 1/2 cups in your meal plan. cup of fluid in addition to the 1 1/2 cups in your meal plan.
- Canned or bottled carbonated beverages will provide more calories than bottled water and often are a better choice for non-diabetics. Provide more calories than bottled water and often are a better choice for non-diabetics.
- Chew gum to quench thirst.

#### SODIUM:

- Avoid table salt and salt substitutes.
- Flavor with herbal seasoning, garlic powder, and lemon juice.
- One egg or one ounce of meat (cooked) that has been stored at a safe temperature can be substituted for 1/4 cup of low sodium canned meat.

#### **FOOD SAFETY:**

- If foods that normally require refrigeration cannot be kept cold enough, they should not be consumed after 4 hours.
- Use ice or snow to keep foods chilled when refrigeration is not available

### **FOOD STORAGE:**

- Keep foods stored in a sturdy box in a closet, or garage (away from water or animals).
- Replace bottled water every six months.
- Breads should be stored in your freezer.
- Crackers and cereals should be stored in a tin or sealed container and Replaced monthly.
- Powdered drinks such as Tang, Kool-Aid or
- Crystal Lite can be kept on hand but require water. Avoid sports drinks such as Gatorade.
- Store sugar, candies and dry milk in a sealed container to protect from insects.

These diet suggestions are just suggestions—talk to your dialysis team or doctor for your specific health. Info taken from <u>An Emergency Preparedness Guide</u> from ESRD Network 14 website.

#### Weather update: https://www.weather.gov/hgx/

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