

COVID-19



Emergency Preparedness Planning CHECKLIST FOR DIALYSIS PATIENTS

Use this checklist to make sure your emergency preparedness plans include these key elements.



3-Day Diet

- Water and renal-diet non-perishable food stockpile
- Safe handling during transportation
- Storage capacity and requirements



Transportation

- Alternate transportation methods/routes identified
- Contracts with alternate providers



Monitoring/Managing Changes in Condition

- Shortness of breath (SOB), Edema, Chest Pain
- Monitoring equipment (i.e. oxygen, automated external defibrillator (AED), medication box (Ebox))
 - Supplies (i.e. wound care, site care)
 - Back up vendor for supplies



To Go Bags

- Medications
- Current medication and treatment records (MAR/TAR)
- Treatment supplies
- Water and renal-diet non-perishable foods
- Code status



Communication

- Providers and care partners
- Health care agencies
- Emergency Management Agency (EMA)
- Dialysis contacts
- Internal and external agencies



Staffing

- Competency-based staffing assignments
- Contingency staffing
- Medical director coverage



Utilities

- Generator capacity
- Power strips/extension cords
- Ambient temperature management
- Potable water supply



Evacuation Plan

- Unit evacuation
- Facility-wide evacuation
- Community-wide evacuation

TIPS

- ✓ Review each component of your facility emergency preparedness plan, including the hazard vulnerability assessment, facility assessment, communication plan, continuity of operations (COOP) plan, evacuation and surge plans to ensure all plan components specifically address the needs of individuals receiving dialysis treatments.
- ✓ Collaborate with your local dialysis partners, community partners and local health department to align and communicate emergency plans.