

**Network #15**  
**2008-2009 Clinical Performance Measures Goals**  
**Criteria for Award for Clinical Excellence (ACE)**

The Medical Review Board of Network # 15 realizes the importance of providing comparative data to ESRD providers to assist them in assessing and improving the quality of care that is delivered to patients. In order to enhance the care that dialysis facilities provide to patients, they wish to make the following suggestions regarding the clinical outcomes dialysis facilities should strive to achieve for their patients. These criteria will be used to determine facilities that will receive the Award for Clinical Excellence.

Quality Indicator	MRB Stretch Goals HD Patients	MRB Stretch Goals PD Patients	MRB Stretch Goals Pediatric Patients
<b>Adequacy</b> Data Set: Most recent Lab Data Collection	Goal: 95% of patients reach a URR $\geq$ 65% or Kt/V $\geq$ 1.2 (single pool)	Goal: 100% of all PD patients achieve 1.7 weekly Kt/V <sub>urea</sub>  Adequacy Tests performed at least q 4 months and prn	Goal: 100% of all pediatric patients achieve 1.7 or 1.8 weekly Kt/V <sub>urea</sub>  Adequacy measured at least q 3 months and prn
<b>Anemia</b> Data Set: Most recent Lab Data Collection	85% of all patients have a Hgb $\geq$ 11 gm/dL	85% of all patients have a Hgb $\geq$ 11 gm/dL	85% of all patients have a Hgb $\geq$ 11 gm/dL
<b>Vascular Access AVF Use</b> Data Set: Most recent Fistula First Dashboard Report	66% AVF Use by March 2008 (Includes patients on dialysis for $\leq$ 90 days)	N/A	TBD
<b>Nutrition</b> Data Set: Most recent Lab Data Collection	At least 35% of all patients should achieve an albumin rate of 4.0/3.7 gm/dL (BCG/BCP)	At least 35% of all PD patients should achieve an albumin rate of 4.0 gm/dL (BCG)  <small>*The large majority of facilities use labs that compute albumin levels using the BCG method (as of 5/08 only 3-NW #15 facilities used BCP).</small>	TBD
<b>Immunization</b> Data Set: Most recent STIC Data Collection <i>(see Guidelines for Vaccinating Kidney dialysis Patients and Patients with Chronic Kidney Disease)</i>	90% of all patients should be vaccinated for Hepatitis B, influenza and pneumococcal pneumonia	90% of all patients should be vaccinated for Hepatitis B, influenza and pneumococcal pneumonia	90% of all patients should be vaccinated for Hepatitis B, influenza and pneumococcal pneumonia

These recommendations are designed to assist you in your decision-making. They are not intended to define a standard of care, nor should they be interpreted as prescribing an exclusive course of management. The MRB feels that units able to achieve the stretch recommendations are providing care that exceeds the current standards of practice. These are not the only indicators that determine the quality of care provided to dialysis patients. The annual Clinical Performance Measures Project and the National Kidney Foundation's Kidney Disease Outcomes Quality Initiative (K/DOQI) provide many additional clinical outcome goals that are now recommended for dialysis patients.