Health Status Release Form

Dialysis Patient Consent to Release Health Status Information to Fellow Patients

Due to HIPAA privacy laws, dialysis team members are unable to discuss the health status of a patient with their fellow patients, such as when they are hospitalized or if they should pass away. This form allows you (the patient) to decide who you would like to have informed at your clinic if your health status should change.

I, (print patient name) _______ am completing this form to provide my consent as to what health information the dialysis staff at (print dialysis clinic name) can share with fellow patients if something should happen to me.

- 1. Please select one of the following:
 - □ YES, I would like to choose who my dialysis care team can share my health status with. (If you select YES, please complete questions 2 and 3 before signing)
 - NO, I do not want my dialysis care team to share my health status with anyone at my dialysis clinic. (If you select NO, skip questions 2 and 3 and sign at the bottom)
- 2. If my health status should change to one of the following, I would like my dialysis care team to share my health status with my selected patient(s) if I (please answer each Y/N option):
 - ☐ Yes ☐ No Become hospitalized
 - $\hfill Yes \hfill No \hfill Am admitted to a nursing home/rehab center$
 - \Box Yes \Box No Receive a transplant
 - \Box Yes \Box No Pass away

 \Box Yes \Box No Other:_

- 3. If one of the above should happen to me, I give my dialysis care team permission to share that information with the following individual(s):
 - \square Yes \square No Patients on my same dialysis shift
 - \Box Yes \Box No Any patient from my dialysis clinic

Only with the following patients

Patient name (print)

Clinic staff witness name (print)

Patient signature

Date

Clinic staff witness signature

Date

This agreement will expire one year from the date of signature, unless previously revoked or otherwise specified. <u>Attention dialysis team members:</u> Please make a copy of this document for the patient and place the original in the patient's medical record for reference. The document needs to be renewed annually.

For more information or to file a grievance, please contact: Qsource ESRD Network 10 911 E. 86th St., Suite 202 | Indianapolis, IN 46240 Toll-Free: 800-456-6919 | ESRDNetwork10@qsource.org



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