

Qsource ESRD Networks Participation Commitment

Attention Dialysis Facility Administrator, Medical Director, and All Patient Care Team Members

Please take a moment to review this commitment document as it outlines the expectations from Qsource ESRD Networks 10 (Illinois) and 12 (Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska). We ask that you and your team review this together, sign it and keep it on file. We appreciate your partnership with us as we strive to improve the delivery and experience of renal replacement therapy for kidney patients in our regions.

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Qsource ESRD Networks are committed to assisting dialysis clinics in improving outcomes to enhance patient quality of life. We do this by providing technical assistance, developing resources and sharing education in support of our Statement of Work* with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and our mission to create high-value, mutually beneficial and collaborative relationships with kidney health stakeholders.

Qsource ESRD Networks Agree to:

- Provide clear project updates, timely requests for facility input and complete messaging through our electronic newsletters, social media accounts and direct-to-facility communications
- Build relationships with national, regional, and local stakeholders – including patient partners
- Facilitate the resolution of patient grievances and provide technical assistance for facility concerns – including patient access to care barriers
- Provide technical assistance for quality improvement and patient engagement activities
- Partner with our community to drive change and meet CMS goals

All Medicare-Certified Dialysis Facilities Agree to:

- Meet Network goals
- Participate in Network activities as directed by CMS – including attending Network Council meetings
- Promote modality choice through patient-centered care to meet individual patient life goals and improve quality of life
- Promote the Peers In Action patient program through recruitment and support at the dialysis facility
- Strive to enhance the patient experience through shared decision-making and patient engagement
- Serve as a change champion

The undersigned dialysis facility hereby agrees to participate and cooperate with the goals and activities, including quality improvement activities, of the ESRD Networks in our commitment to quality, collaboration and communication.

It is understood that participation in Network activities is a condition of approval to receive Medicare reimbursement for the provision of End Stage Renal Disease services.

Facility Name

Facility CCN Number

Facility Authorized Representative Name

Date

Facility Authorized Representative Signature

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