





STANDARDS UPDATE GUIDE

RENAL DIALYSIS

Listed below are ACHC Renal Dialysis Accreditation Standards revised to incorporate 2023 guidance updates from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). Summaries of the changes and effective dates are provided. ACHC annually reviews all program standards and makes periodic revisions to keep you up to date on current best practices for your organization. Renal dialysis facilities must maintain compliance throughout their entire accreditation period.

ACHC Standard	Services Applicable	Update Summary	Effective Date
RD2-Q.01	HDS	 Revised expectations of home dialysis services for nursing home residents to ensure the safe delivery of dialysis treatments through communication and collaboration between the nursing home and dialysis facility, including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Written agreement.■ Establishment of policies and procedures appropriate to the dialysis setting.■ Qualifications, training, and competency expectations for anyone who administers dialysis treatments to nursing home residents.■ Presence of a qualified dialysis caregiver in the room to monitor the dialysis patient's status throughout the entire duration of the dialysis treatment. The dialysis caregiver should be able to recognize complications and intervene as necessary.■ Coordination of care through communication and patient management.	October 10, 2023
RD6-A	HDS, ICD	 Revised to include a requirement to continuously monitor the renal dialysis facility's performance of home dialysis services provided to individuals who receive dialysis treatments in a nursing home. Data collected supports the facility's Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement (QAPI) program.	October 10, 2023

