



Involuntary Discharge

When a patient has been involuntarily discharged from your unit, the PAR must reflect this by indicating “6C” (Transfer Out, Category C) under the Losses column. Even if your facility successfully transfers the patient to another unit without interruption to service, it is still to be reported as an involuntary patient discharge.

A patient is considered involuntarily discharged if they have received written or verbal notice that they are no longer able to receive dialysis at your center. As the PAR instructions for this event read, “...Use this event for all involuntary discharges, regardless of where patient will receive services after discharge.” When Network 11 finds a PAR that does not accurately reflect the nature of a patient transfer, the PAR will be returned to your facility for correction.

Data Compliance Reports

Data Compliance Reports reflecting performance from January—June 2005 were issued to all Facility Administrators at the end of October. CMS has established performance goals for the submission of Medical Evidence (2728) and Death Notification (2746) forms. A rate of 90% or better for timeliness and accuracy is expected by facilities. In Network 11, 78 facilities surpassed the CMS goal and achieved a compliance rate of 100%. Do you know your rate of forms accuracy and timeliness? If you haven’t seen your report—ask your Administrator for it! Or, call Anne and request a copy. 651-644-9877



Happy Holidays!

Important PAR Reminders

Current Modality of Patient

The column on the PAR labeled “Current Modality of Patient” is very important and must be completed for patients who are: (1) new to dialysis (2) transferring into your facility, or (3) changing their modality. Note: although the form says “current” modality, you need to report the modality to which the patient is switching (the “new” modality).

Recovery Events

If a patient has been dialyzing for under 90 days, please indicate whether they were considered chronic ESRD or had an acute episode. If acute, the patient will be removed from our database as the Network does not track acute patients.

Questions?

As always, if you have any questions, just call your Data Specialist. **We are here to help!** 651-644-9877

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