



VISION Training Schedule



CMS is making VISION data collection software available to eligible dialysis facilities throughout the country. In Network 11, forty-two facilities have requested training. One-day sessions will be conducted by a CMS contractor and are scheduled as follows:

1/4	St. Paul, MN
1/6	Green Bay, WI
1/10	Grand Rapids, MI
1/12	Sioux Falls, SD

Before attending a class, participants must register to use an electronic data transmission system called Quality Net Exchange ("QNet") and install VISION software at their facility(ies). If your facility requested training, Network 11 IT staff will contact you to make these arrangements.

PAR Tips

Transfer Out Events. When patients transfer out of your unit, please provide information about the facility they are transferring to, such as: provider name & number, city, and state.

Transfer In Events. Always complete a Patient Change of Address Form for patients transferring in from out-of-state (new to your unit). You can complete the form electronically: http://www.esrd-net11.org/assets/pdf/data_team/address_change_form.pdf



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2746 Form—New Policies

The new CMS-2746 (Death Notification) forms were mailed to your unit in September. They have **new fields** that must be completed:

Field 7—Place of death

Field 13—Renal replacement therapy discontinued prior to death?

Field 13f—Date of last dialysis treatment

Field 14—Was discontinuation of renal replacement therapy after patient/family request to stop dialysis?

Field 16—Was patient receiving Hospice care prior to death?

Following are **a few tips**, based on the FAQs of your colleagues:

Field 9—Modality at Time of Death. *If patient discontinued, enter the most recent modality.*

Field 13—Renal replacement therapy discontinued prior to death? *If the answer is Yes, select only ONE from choices "a" through "e" AND complete 13f. If the answer is No, 13f should be left blank. The date of last dialysis treatment is only required when a patient discontinues dialysis prior to death. Also, if the answer is No, field 14 should be completed; in this instance, the correct response for field 14 is "Not Applicable."*

Field 14—Yes is appropriate if the patient/family requested discontinuation of dialysis. No is appropriate if any others suggested this.

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