



Resources and Links:

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NKF-K/DOQI 2006 Vascular Access Guidelines and Clinical Practice Recommendations:

1. National Kidney Foundation www.kidney.org
2. K/DOQI 2006
http://www.kidney.org/professionals/KDOQI/guideline_upHD_PD_VA/index.htm
3. National Guidelines Clearinghouse www.guideline.gov
http://www.guideline.gov/summary/summary.aspx?ss=15&doc_id=10017&nbr=5331#s22

Medicare/CMS Links:

1. ESRD Quality Initiative Overview
<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ESRDQualityImproveInit/>
2. Final Conditions of Coverage April 15, 2008
<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/CFCsAndCoPs/downloads/ESRDfinalrule0415.pdf>
3. State Operations Manual Guidance to Surveyor (2004) ***NEW Interpretative Guidelines(IGs) for the 2008 new Conditions of Coverage have not been released as of June 20, 2008. They are expected in the very near future.
http://www.cms.hhs.gov/manuals/Downloads/som107ap_h_esrd.pdf
4. CMS Networks Overview Link and Resources
http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ESRDNetworkOrganizations/01_Overview.asp
5. CMS Clinical Performance Measures (CPM) Project
<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/CPMProject/>
6. CMS ESRD Center <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/center/esrd.asp>
7. CMS/HHS General Info Link <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/>
8. Medicare Compare Dialysis Facilities
<http://www.medicare.gov/Dialysis/Include/DataSection/Questions/SearchCriteria.asp?version=default&browser=IE%7C6%7CWinXP&language=English&defaultstatus=0&pagelist=Home>
9. CMS Network Forum link <http://www.esrdnetworks.org/>



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Vascular Access and Industry Related Organizations:

1. ASDIN (American Society of Diagnostic & Interventional Nephrology)
<http://www.asdin.org/>
2. Vascular Access Society (VAS) <http://www.vascularaccesssociety.com/> Click on *Guidelines* for additional information and resources.
3. Fistula First Initiative <http://www.renalweb.com/indices/meetings/meetings.htm>
4. Association for Vascular Access (AVA) <http://www.avainfo.org/website/article.asp?id=4>
5. ANNA (American Society of Nephrology Nurses Association)
<http://www.annanurse.org/cgi-bin/WebObjects/ANNANurse>
6. ASN (American Society of Nephrology) <http://www.asn-online.org/>
7. RPA (Renal Physicians Association) <http://www.renalmd.org/>
8. NRAA (National Renal Administrators Association) <http://www.nraa.org/>
9. Kidney Care Partners (KCP) <http://www.kidneycarepartners.org/>
10. National Association for Nephrology Technicians/Technologists (NANT)
<http://www.nant.biz/store/>
11. Renal Related Meeting Calendar <http://www.renalweb.com/indices/meetings/meetings.htm>