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Welcome

We are Comagine Health ESRD Network 18 providing support and guidance to ESRD patients and dialysis facilities in grievance investigations, quality improvement technical assistance, data management, emergency management support and education for the patients and providers in our service area. Network 18 supports the Advancing American Kidney Health nationwide initiatives that include:

Reducing the number of Americans developing end-stage renal disease by 25 percent by 2030
Having 80 percent of new ESRD patients in 2025 either receiving dialysis at home or receiving a transplant
Doubling the number of kidneys available for transplant by 2030

Who are we?

Network 18 is one of 18 Networks under contract with CMS to work collaboratively with dialysis professionals, providers and patients to improve patient care. According to Title XVIII Section 1881 of the Social Security Act requires each Network Organization of each network be responsible for:

Encouraging, consistent with sound medical practice, the use of the treatment settings most compatible with the successful rehabilitation of the patient and the participation of patients, providers of services, and renal disease facilities in vocational rehabilitation programs;
Developing criteria and standards relating to the quality and appropriateness of patient care and with respect to working with patients, facilities, and providers in encouraging participation in vocational rehabilitation programs; and network goals with respect to the placement of patients in self-care settings and undergoing or preparing for transplantation;
Evaluating the procedure by which facilities and providers in the Network assess the appropriateness of patients for proposed treatment modalities;
Implementing a procedure for evaluating and resolving patient grievances;
Conducting on-site reviews of facilities and providers as necessary, utilizing standards of care established by the Network Organization to assure proper medical care;

Network 18 operates in Southern California

News and Events

For the latest News and Events, see our blog, **esrdbulletins**.

To receive an email notice every time News and Events is updated, sign up for the Network 18 blog: go to **esrdbulletins**, click on the "Follow" button in the lower right-hand corner of the screen, and

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Find a list of **Events for Patients**.

Find a list of **Events and Deadlines for Professional Staff**.



Emergency Preparedness

In its role as an End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Network, Network 18 is responsible for preparing the Southern California ESRD community for emergencies before they occur. Living with a chronic illness that requires ongoing life sustaining treatment makes being prepared of the utmost importance. Keeping our patients, providers, and community informed ensures the continuation of care for all involved. For more information and resources to help you to get prepared and stay connected in the event of an emergency or natural disaster, please visit our Emergency Preparedness page.



Have a concern or grievance about your ESRD care?

To file a grievance about the care you are receiving at your dialysis facility, contact ESRD Network 18 at 1-800-637-4767.