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## REPORT HIGHLIGHTS

Quality Insights Renal Network 3 (QIRN3) is pleased to present our 2015 Annual Report.

QIRN3 serves dialysis and transplant providers and patients in New Jersey, Puerto Rico, and the US Virgin Islands. In 2009, QIRN3 merged with the West Virginia Medical Institute (WVMI) & Quality Insights. WVMI & Quality Insights holds the Medicare QIN-QIO contracts for Delaware, Louisiana, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. This relationship has given us immediate access to experts in the areas of quality improvement, human resources, finance, data analytics and information technology. More importantly, it has provided us with access to entities such as primary care hospitals, infection control specialists and other non-ESRD partners to address transitions of care and coordinate to improve the lives of patients in our geographic area.

In 2015, we began work on the last year of a three—year End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Network contract based on the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services' (CMS) Three Part Aim: Better Care for the Individual through Beneficiary and Family Centered Care (Aim 1), Better Health for the ESRD Population (Aim 2) and Reduced Costs of ESRD Care by Improving Care (Aim 3).

### **NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2015:**

- 1. Increased hepatitis B and pneumonia vaccination rates in adult patients by 16.7 and 28.4 percentage points, respectively, in project facilities (selected due to their low vaccination rates at baseline), while dramatically reducing the disparity between older (>=65 years of age) and younger (<65 years of age) patients who receive these critical vaccinations.
- 2. Through our Puerto Rico Healthcare-Associated Infections (HAI) Learning and Action Network (LAN), successfully bridged the communication gap between dialysis providers and hospitals in Puerto Rico to improve the accuracy and sensitivity of infection tracking and trending and improve patient safety.
- 3. Following a recommendation from our Patient LAN, conducted a successful educational campaign to increase awareness of the importance of physical activity. Health professionals and patients in both Puerto Rico and New Jersey enthusiastically embraced this campaign and joined us in promotional walks to promote physical activity in both geographic areas.

We hope you find this year's annual report useful and look forward to hearing about any potential improvements or partnership opportunities you have to share. We are also looking forward to working with you, our valued partners, in the coming year to improve the health of the people we serve.



## INTRODUCTION

#### CMS' END STAGE RENAL DISEASE NETWORK ORGANIZATION PROGRAM

The End Stage Renal Disease Network Organization Program (ESRD Network Program) is a national quality improvement program funded by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). CMS is a federal agency, part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

CMS defines end stage renal disease (ESRD) as permanent kidney failure in an individual who requires dialysis or kidney transplantation to sustain life.

Under contract with CMS, 18 ESRD Network Organizations, or ESRD Networks, carry out a range of activities to improve the quality of care for individuals with ESRD. The 18 ESRD Networks serve the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, and the Northern Mariana Islands.

#### MEDICARE COVERAGE FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH ESRD

Medicare coverage was extended to most ESRD patients in the U.S. under the Social Security Act Amendments of 1972 (Public Law 92-603). Individuals with irreversible kidney failure are eligible for Medicare if they need regular dialysis or have had a kidney transplant <u>and</u> they meet (or their spouse or parent meets) certain work history requirements under the Social Security program, the railroad retirement system, or federal employment.

#### HISTORY OF CMS' ESRD NETWORK ORGANIZATION PROGRAM

Following passage of the 1972 Amendments to the Social Security Act, in response to the need for effective coordination of ESRD care, hospitals and other health care facilities were organized into networks to enhance the delivery of services to people with ESRD.

In 1978, Public Law 95-292 modified the Social Security Act to allow for the coordination of dialysis and transplant services by linking dialysis facilities, transplant centers, hospitals, patients, physicians, nurses, social workers, and dietitians into Network Coordinating Councils, one for each of 32 administrative areas.

In 1988, CMS consolidated the 32 jurisdictions into 18 geographic areas and awarded contracts to 18 ESRD Network Organizations, now commonly known as ESRD Networks. The ESRD Networks, under the terms of their contracts with CMS, are responsible for: supporting use of the most appropriate treatment modalities to maximize quality of care and quality of life; encouraging treatment providers to support patients' vocational rehabilitation and employment; collecting, validating, and analyzing patient registry data; identifying providers that do not contribute to the achievement of Network goals; and conducting onsite reviews of ESRD providers as necessary.



## **ESRD NETWORK 3**

According to the Census Bureau (<a href="http://factfinder2.census.gov">http://factfinder2.census.gov</a>), the 3 geographic areas served by QIRN3 have a combined population of 12.62 million people. While these three areas are geographically small in size, New Jersey (NJ) is the most densely populated state (1,195.5/sq. mi) in the country and, if Puerto Rico (PR) were a state, it would be the second most densely populated (1,162/sq. mi).1 US territories are often thought to have small populations, but it is important to note that Puerto Rico has a sizable population (3.7 million) and 5,651 patients receiving dialysis as of December 31, 2015. This number of patients is more than the ESRD population of 27 states, including large states such as Kentucky, Oklahoma, Colorado and Arizona.

These dense populations create challenges for providing dialysis to patients, as there is a greater than average number of patients per dialysis unit in these areas. New Jersey treats an average of 87.5 patients in each dialysis unit and Puerto Rico treats an average of 125.1 patients in each unit, compared to an average of 71.7 nationwide. The US Virgin Islands (USVI) treats an average of 47.4 patients in each of its 5 dialysis units.2

The epidemic of diabetes in Puerto Rico continues to be the leading cause of end stage renal disease (ESRD) in this area. Among incident (new) ESRD patients in Puerto Rico in 2015, the primary cause of ESRD was listed as diabetes for 68.0%, and diabetes was reported as the primary cause in 62.6% of prevalent patients as of December 31, 2015. By comparison, in New Jersey, diabetes is reported as the primary cause of renal failure in 42.2% of incident patients and 41.3% of prevalent patients in the same time periods.

See Table 1 in the Appendix for a complete analysis of the incident ESRD population by age, gender, race, and primary diagnosis. Table 2 in the Appendix contains a complete analysis of the prevalent ESRD population for 2015.

<sup>2</sup> Patient and Staff Counts from the Annual Facility Survey, 2016 Dialysis Facility Report, Table 13, University of Michigan Epidemiology and Cost Center



<sup>1</sup> State Population - Rank, Percent Change, and Population Density: 1980-2010. (n.d.). In Statistical Abstract of the United States: 2012 (Tables 14 and 1332). U.S. Census Bureau.

#### **MORTALITY**

The primary cause of death reported in 2015 continued to be cardiac-related (42.1% of deaths). While infection was the second most common cause, reported in 13.1% of the 3,696 deaths reported, our HAI reduction projects have contributed to a decline in the proportion of deaths attributed to infections. In 2011, before our interventions began, infection was cited as the primary cause of death in 18.9% of deaths reported.

See Table 7 in the Appendix report for a complete analysis of the mortality data for ESRD patients, stratified by age, gender, race, primary diagnosis and cause of death.

Table A. Dialysis Facilities and Transplant Centers in the Network's Service Area, as of December 31, 2015

Category	Number
Number of Dialysis Facilities in the Network's Service Area	211
Number of Transplant Centers in the Network's Service Area	6

Source of data: CROWNWeb.

Table B. Number of Medicare-Certified Dialysis Facilities in the Network's Service Area and Number and Percent of Dialysis Facilities Offering Dialysis Shifts Starting after 5 PM, as of December 31, 2015

Category	Number	Percent
Number of Dialysis Facilities in the Network's Service Area	211	
Dialysis Facilities in the Network's Service Area Offering Dialysis Shifts Starting after 5 PM	72	34.1

Source of data: CROWNWeb.



## **NETWORK GOALS**

CMS establishes priorities for the ESRD Network contractors annually in the Statement of Work section of each Network's contract with the agency. These priorities support CMS and Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) national quality improvement goals and priorities.

In 2015, the ESRD Network contractors were tasked with meeting the following goals:

- 1. Improving care for ESRD patients in the Network's service area by:
- 2. Promoting patient- and family-centered care
- 3. Responding to grievances about ESRD-related services filed by, or on behalf of, ESRD patients
- 4. Supporting improvement in patients' experience of care
- 5. Working with dialysis facilities to ensure that all dialysis patients have access to appropriate care
- 6. Promoting best practices in vascular access management; and
- 7. Helping dialysis facilities reduce the incidence of healthcare-associated infections.
- 8. Improving the health of the ESRD patient population in the Network's service area through activities designed to reduce disparities in ESRD care; and
- 9. Reducing the costs of ESRD care in the Network's service area by supporting performance improvement at the dialysis facility level and supporting facilities' submission of data to CMS-designated data collection systems.



## PROFILE OF PATIENTS IN THE NETWORK'S SERVICE AREA

The ESRD Network Program collects data on incident (new) ESRD patients, prevalent (currently treated) dialysis patients, and renal transplant recipients.

Quality Insights Renal Network 3 (QIRN3) uses data on patients' clinical characteristics including primary cause of ESRD, treatment modality, and vascular access type to focus its outreach and quality improvement activities.

Table C. Clinical Characteristics of the ESRD Population in the Network's Service Area, Calendar Year 2015

Category	Number	Percent
Incident (New) ESRD Patients		
Number of Incident ESRD Patients, Calendar Year 2015	5,159	
Prevalent Dialysis Patients		
Number of Prevalent Dialysis Patients as of December 31, 2015	19,677	
Treatment Modality of Prevalent Dialysis Patients as of December 31, 2015		
In-Center Hemodialysis or Peritoneal Dialysis	18,204	92.5%
In-Home Hemodialysis or Peritoneal Dialysis	1,473	7.5%
Total	19,677	100%
Vascular Access Type at Latest Treatment among Prevalent In-Center and In-Home Hemodialysis Patients as of December 31, 2015		
Arteriovenous Fistula in Use	10,934	61.0%
Arteriovenous Graft in Use	3,154	17.6%
Catheter in Use for 90 Days or Longer	2,274	12.7%
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Other	1,631	9.1%
Total	17,933	100.0%
Renal Transplants		
Number of Renal Transplant Recipients,* Calendar Year 2015	528	
Total	528	100%

Source of data: CROWNWeb.



<sup>\*</sup>Count of unduplicated individuals receiving renal transplantation during the calendar year.

### IMPROVING CARE FOR ESRD PATIENTS

The Network works closely with ESRD patients, patients' family members and friends, nephrologists, dialysis facilities and other healthcare organizations, ESRD advocacy organizations, and other ESRD stakeholders to improve the care for ESRD patients in New Jersey, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Under its contract with CMS, the Network is responsible for:

- 1. Identifying opportunities for quality improvement and developing interventions to improve care for ESRD patients in the Network service area.
- 2. Identifying opportunities for improvement at the facility level and providing technical assistance to facilities as needed
- 3. Promoting the use of best practices in clinical care for ESRD patients
- 4. Encouraging use of all modalities of care, including home modalities and transplantation, as appropriate, to promote patient independence and improve clinical outcomes
- 5. Promoting the coordination of care across treatment settings; and
- 6. Ensuring accurate and timely data collection, analysis, and reporting by facilities in accordance with national standards.

## POPULATION HEALTH INNOVATION PROJECT: INCREASE VACCINATIONS

We conducted a project to increase Hepatitis B and Pneumonia Vaccinations in 2015. The identified disparity was age, in that younger (<65 years of age) patients were vaccinated at a higher rate than older (>= 65 years of age) patients.

We selected twenty facilities in which less than 85% of their adult, in-center patient population had been vaccinated for both hepatitis B (HBV) and pneumonia as of January 1, 2015 and that demonstrated a 5 percentage point or greater age disparity in the percentage of patients vaccinated to participate in this project. Because it was the second year of the vaccination project for us, the goals were to increase vaccination rates by 10 percentage points and work with twice the number of facilities as had been involved in the 2014 project.



We rolled the lessons learned during the successful 2014 vaccination project into the 2015 activities. Among the root causes identified for low vaccination rates were gaps in education provided to patients and practice such as lack of staff follow-up with patients who had refused vaccination years before, fear or misunderstanding, missing or inconsistent documentation, ineffective continuity of care processes and lack of consistent interdisciplinary team effort in vaccinating all eligible patients. Negative news attention and peer attitudes also play a role in acceptance of vaccination. Other root causes included lack of a clearly defined process and/or non-adherence to the established process for vaccinating patients.

Successful interventions included providing facilities with educational resources and regular reports containing patient-level vaccination data, auditing vaccination activity in CROWNWeb and providing feedback during group and individual calls. We formed a LAN to learn about local efforts in New Jersey and Puerto Rico to improve adult vaccination rates and disseminate best practices among facilities.

Best practices within facilities included appointing facility staff to the role of vaccination manager, revisiting refusals periodically for re-approach and reeducation, and involving physicians, other interdisciplinary team members and family members to speak to patients who decline.

Our boundariless approach included reaching out to the immunization advocacy organizations in New Jersey and Puerto Rico to participate in Network calls with participating facilities in order to educate about adult vaccination initiatives in communities. We demonstrated that successful vaccination initiatives need to involve more than patients and providers. Vaccination acceptance needs to be fostered in facilities by development of a culture of prevention.

Rapid cycle improvement was implemented through frequent communication and feedback about facility progress and reinforcement of project goals. The innovation in this project was development of a tool with patient-level vaccination data to guide facility staff members in implementing their vaccination programs and more accurately tracking the documentation of vaccinations that they provide.

Unconditional teamwork was a feature of the project from work with our corporate data team in developing and improving the patient-level tool for facilities, to participation in a Network focus group to highlight progress, barriers and successes of different vaccination projects and to provide CMS with feedback for use in future vaccination improvement activities.

Customer benefit was realized by the hundreds of patients who received protection from HBV and pneumonia. Facilities benefitted by improving processes, better protection of patients and staff from HBV and pneumonia and income from administering vaccinations. When more people in a group are vaccinated, the better protected the rest of the population becomes.



The sustainability of the project was enhanced by the incorporation of the vaccination program into the monthly QI meetings held at each dialysis facility. Facilities submitted minutes to demonstrate their incorporation of vaccinations into their monthly QI programs.

The results of this project showed an increase in the HBV vaccination rate of >=65 year olds by 23.6 percentage points as of October 2015, while pneumonia vaccination rates increased by 34.2 percentage points compared with December 2014 baselines. The HBV vaccination rate disparity between the >=65 and <65 age groups reduced by 10.6 percentage points, while the pneumonia rate difference dropped 9.1 percentage points. The overall HBV vaccination rate increased 18.7 percentage points, while the overall pneumonia rate increased by 30.2 percentage points from their baselines of December 2014.

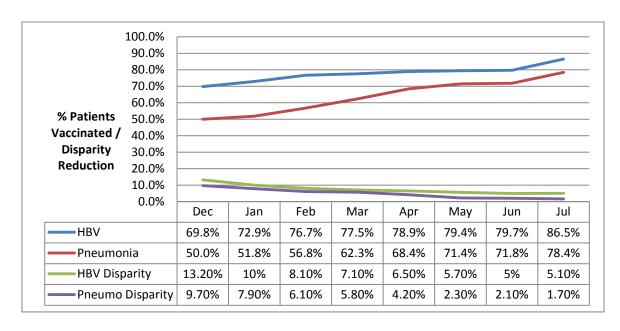


Figure 1: Hepatitis B (HBV) and Pneumonia Vaccination Project Results, 2015

## **HEALTHCARE-ACQUIRED INFECTION LAN**

A LAN is an ongoing collaboration among community partners who represent a broad range of organizations and professions. Regularly scheduled LAN meetings provide an opportunity for members to share knowledge, skills and resources to address an identified quality of care issue through collaborative problem solving. In 2015, the Network established a LAN focused on patient safety in dialysis facilities, with a specific focus on reducing rates of healthcare-acquired infections (HAIs) in Puerto Rico. The membership of the Network 3 Puerto Rico HAI LAN included representatives from the Quality Improvement Network in Puerto Rico (QIPRO) the Puerto Rico Department of Health, Fresenius Medical Care, Atlantis Healthcare, Centro Renal Universitario, Hospital Auxilio Mutuo, hospital social workers, utilization department staff, epidemiologists, American Nephrology Nurses Association-Caribbean Chapter, physicians, facility administrators, nurses, a Medicare beneficiary, Consejo Renal de Puerto Rico (Puerto Rico Renal Council), Fundación del Riñon de Puerto Rico (Puerto Rico Kidney Foundation.)



The HAI LAN provided education on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Dialysis Event (DE) Protocol; LAN participants learned that communication between staff in the hospitals and dialysis units was a barrier that hindered accurate surveillance and reporting of infections as required by the DE protocol. The PR HAI LAN decided to embark on a pilot project aimed to improve reporting of positive blood cultures by establishing a process for communicating and exchanging medical information and records dialysis facilities required in order to accurately report infection data to NHSN.

The survey administered to 44 outpatient hemodialysis facilities in Puerto Rico included selected questions from the CDC Dialysis Event Surveillance and Reporting Validation Survey to assess practices for surveillance and reporting infections identified within one day of admission into the hospital. Thirty-five of the 44 facilities responded to the survey. Of the responding facilities, 75% requested records of patients who had been hospitalized; 72% of the facilities requested records for every hospitalization; 69% responded they "Always" or "Often" receive the medical records from the hospital most frequented by their patients; 15% of the facilities had a standard process for requesting records.

We collaborated with PR HAI LAN members, 12 dialysis facilities (with a total of 1,986 patients) and one hospital most frequented by patients in the identified dialysis facilities, who all agreed to participate in the pilot project.

A series of conference calls and two in-person meetings were held throughout the course of the project. The in-person meetings provided the participants an opportunity to network with each other.

Communication forms had been established previously during a Readmission Reduction Project in which the hospital participated. The form included the information the facility should send the hospital for a patient admitted and included the information the hospital should send the dialysis facilities upon a patient discharge. The PR HAI LAN members and pilot project participants collaborated to revise these communication forms and facility and hospital contact forms. The project facilities used these revised forms from April 2015 to September 2015. We tracked compliance rates for both the facilities and the participating hospital. We provided technical assistance and training on NHSN surveillance and reporting, on the CMS ESRD Quality Incentive Program (ESRD QIP) NHSN reporting requirements as described in the ESRD QIP, and on Protected Health Information / Personally Identifiable Information (PHI/PII) security awareness.

Pilot project facilities reported they received the communication forms and accompanying records from hospitals for 88% of their discharges to the facility by September 2015. 100% of the participating facilities established a process for identifying a positive blood culture obtained within one calendar day of a hospital admission. This improvement in communication helps support CMS and CDC goals of accurately capturing HAIs, regardless of where they are detected. At the conclusion of the pilot, we recommended that stakeholders continue to hold meetings to review and or improve the established processes.





Patient LAN: Increasing Patients' Physical Activity and Well-Being



# PATIENT LAN: INCREASING PATIENTS' PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND WELL-BEING

We are committed to incorporating the perspective of patients, family members, and other caregivers into our quality improvement activities. In 2013, we established a Patient Engagement LAN. In collaboration with our LAN, we developed an educational campaign in 2014 titled "Increasing Patients' Physical Activity and Well-Being." With the goal of supporting the initiatives of this project and sustaining the activity in 2015, we encouraged participation of patients, family members and staff in Kidney Walks in both New Jersey and Puerto Rico.

On March 22, 2015, our staff joined with members of the Puerto Rican Kidney Foundation to promote awareness of a healthier lifestyle within the renal community during a 5K walk in San Juan, PR. We provided the selected Puerto Rico facilities with a total of 30 vouchers to engage at least three of their patients, family members and staff in a 5K walk. In total, 51 patients, 50 family members, 51 facility staff members and 41 family members of facility staff attended this event. Of the attendees, 116 participated in the walk.

#### PHOTO FROM PUERTO RICO WALK



On June 7, 2015, we joined the NKF Kidney Walk in Trenton, NJ, with the aim of promoting dialysis patients' physical activity and well-being. Held in nearly 100 communities, the NKF Kidney Walk is the nation's largest walk to bring awareness to kidney disease. We encouraged all NJ dialysis facilities selected to participate in this educational campaign to engage their patients, staff, and family members to join in with Network staff and participate in the walk. In total, 13 patients, 28 family members, 30 facility staff members and 38 family members of facility staff attended this event. Of the attendees, 43 participated in the walk.



## PHOTO FROM NEW JERSEY WALK





# FACILITIES THAT CONSISTENTLY FAILED TO COOPERATE WITH NETWORK GOALS

In 2015, QIRN3 worked with dialysis facilities to improve the quality of care they were providing to their patients. All facilities fully cooperated with these interventions.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SANCTIONS

In 2015, QIRN3 did not recommend sanctions for any dialysis facility.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS TO CMS FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES OR FACILITIES

In working with patients, families and dialysis unit staff, QIRN3 has recognized the need for special-use facilities to be created to treat patients with mental illness. Mental health professionals could be on staff at these facilities to better serve the needs of this population.

#### CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PROFESSIONAL LITERATURE

Joan Wickizer, MSW, LSW, NSW-C, and Danielle Kirkman, PhD

"A Rationale for Increasing Physical Activity in Chronic Kidney Disease: Quality Insights Renal Network 3's Learning and Action Network's Campaign"

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## **GRIEVANCES AND ACCESS TO CARE**

The Network responds to grievances filed by or on behalf of ESRD patients in its service area. In 2015, the Network responded to 102 grievances. Of these, 19 or 22.9% involved issues related to access to care.

Table D. Grievance Data for Calendar Year 2015

Category	Number
Number of Grievance Cases Opened in Calendar Year 2015	83
Number of Grievance Cases Involving Access to Care	19
Number of Grievance Cases Involving Involuntary Transfer	14
Number of Grievance Cases Involving Involuntary Discharge	1
Number of Grievance Cases Involving Failure to Place	4
Number of Non-Grievance Cases Involving Access to Care	37
Number of Non-Grievance Access to Care Cases Involving Involuntary Transfer	0
Number of Non-Grievance Access to Care Cases Involving Involuntary Discharge	27
Number of Non-Grievance Access to Care Cases Involving Failure to Place	10
Total Number of Grievance and Non-Grievance Cases Involving Access to Care	56
Number of Grievance Cases Closed by the Network in Calendar Year 2015	78
Number of Non-Grievance Access to Care Cases Closed by the Network in Calendar Year 2015	33

Source of data: Patient Contact Utility.



# GRIEVANCE CASES REFERRED TO STATE SURVEY AGENCIES

QIRN3 referred 10 cases to the State Survey Agencies in 2015. Of these 10, five were referred to the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services and five were referred to the Puerto Rico Department of Health (DOH).

Five of the cases were classified as "Treatment Related; Quality of Care," two related to the "Physical Environment," two were "Involuntary Transfers," and one was "Staff Related." Each case had a review by the appropriate State Survey Agency, which took action based on the information provided by the grievant.

The Involuntary Transfer cases occurred in Puerto Rico and were related to a change in approved providers by the MCS Medicare Advantage Plan. MCS made the decision to change its in-Network provider from FMC to Atlantis Healthcare Group, resulting in more than 400 patients impacted by an involuntary transfer. Two of these cases resulted in referrals to the Puerto Rico DOH, as the grievants requested communication with an entity on the island.



## **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE**

#### **JANUARY**

Winter Storm Juno impacted New Jersey on January 26 and 27, 2015. The Network was in communication with NJ dialysis facilities to track activation of their contingency plans and adjustments to schedules and transportation for patients. The storm was predicted to be a blizzard with precipitation of at least a foot of snow in most areas of the state. Many facilities made plans to close on Tuesday, January 27, as the brunt of the storm was predicted to impact them. These facilities made arrangements to dialyze Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday patients on Monday, January 26, and Wednesday, January 28.

The storm did not have its predicted impact, and most areas of the state did not have precipitation over 8 inches of snow. The closure of facilities allowed for the removal of snow and the clearing of pathways prior to re-opening on the 28th. Facilities that had decided to remain open were operational without difficulty. No facilities reported power outages or water problems. Network staff worked remotely from home, as the state of NJ issued an emergency declaration resulting in travel restrictions until after 9:00 am on the 27th. All facilities returned to normal operations, with some dialyzing extra patients on January 28. Our in-office operations resumed on January 28 as well.

#### **JUNE**

The 2015 National Emergency Tabletop Exercise was held by the national Kidney Community Emergency Response (KCER) coalition on June 3. All 18 ESRD Networks participated in the exercise. The exercise focused on a hypothetical cyber-attack aimed at the infrastructure of water treatment facility systems in large metropolitan areas and offshore US territories, creating disruptions in the quality of water delivered to the general population. We invited community partners, the Middlesex (NJ) County Office of Emergency Management, the American Water Company, Fresenius Medical Care, DaVita, and DCI, to participate in the exercise and share their subject matter expertise. A total of 15 participants were present at the exercise, including our staff. As a result of lessons learned at this exercise, we completed an Improvement Plan to address challenges/barriers identified by players during the exercise.

During the Network's visit to Puerto Rico in June, the Network hosted a meeting with the Puerto Rico Emergency Preparedness Renal Coalition. The group addressed the drought condition in the island and the impact it could have on dialysis facilities.

### **AUGUST**

We were presented with two weather-related events in the USVI and PR during the month of August with Hurricane Danny and Tropical Storm Erika. We sent situational awareness advisories to the facilities and established ongoing communication with facility administrators and managers. No damage was reported from these events, and all facilities were successful in activating and implementing their contingency plans. The Puerto Rico Emergency Preparedness Renal Coalition (PREPRC) was activated during this event.



The PREPRC met to discuss how to address the drought conditions in Puerto Rico and water rationing issues. We emphasized the need to provide patients with information that would address any gossip and ease their concerns. The Network ensured that patients were receiving education by their providers about vascular access care at home during the water-rationing period. Two teleconference meetings were hosted with the PREPRC with representation from all dialysis providers, DOH, FEMA, and community stakeholders to address the storms and drought.

In preparation for the Pope's visit to Pennsylvania on September 2015, the Network also participated in conference calls hosted by KCER to address emergency preparedness initiatives for dialysis facilities, and the dissemination of appropriate notice to dialysis providers.



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Table 1. Incident (New) ESRD Patients in Network 3's Service Area, by Patient Characteristics

January 1, 2015 - December 31, 2015

Network 3's Service Area	New Jersey	Puerto Rico	Virgin Islands	Other	Network	Percent
Age Group						
<= 4 Years	3	1	0	0	4	0.1%
5-9 Years	0	0	0	1	1	0.0%
10-14 Years	3	0	0	0	3	0.1%
15-19 Years	11	2	1	0	14	0.3%
20-24 Years	37	8	0	1	46	0.9%
25-29 Years	42	8	1	6	57	1.1%
30-34 Years	64	11	0	4	79	1.5%
35-39 Years	87	38	1	3	129	2.5%
40-44 Years	109	56	1	3	169	3.3%
45-49 Years	163	86	5	17	271	5.3%
50-54 Years	283	112	3	16	414	8.0%
55-59 Years	350	155	4	21	530	10.3%
60-64 Years	419	184	7	18	628	12.2%
65-69 Years	470	186	6	21	683	13.2%
70-74 Years	455	188	2	16	661	12.8%
75-79 Years	404	181	0	15	600	11.6%
80-84 Years	402	94	2	14	512	9.9%
>= 85 Years	294	50	2	12	358	6.9%
Total	3596	1360	35	168	5159	100.0%
Median Age	67	65	62	62	66	
Gender						
Female	1433	511	14	74	2032	39.4%
Male	2163	849	21	94	3127	60.6%
Total	3596	1360	35	168	5159	100.0%



Network 3's Service Area	New Jersey	Puerto Rico	Virgin Islands	Other	Network	Percent
Ethnicity*			isiarias			
Hispanic or Latino	388	1344	5	50	1787	34.6%
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Not Hispanic or Latino	3200	16	30	118	3364	65.2%
Not Specified	8	0	0	0	8	0.2%
Total	3596	1360	35	168	5159	100.0%
Race*						
American Indian/Alaska Native	2	0	0	0	2	0.0%
Asian	148	0	1	5	154	3.0%
Black or African American	1011	54	27	43	1135	22.0%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	35	1	4	0	40	0.8%
White	2379	1303	2	119	3803	73.7%
More Than One Race Reported	13	2	1	1	17	0.3%
Not Specified	8	0	0	0	8	0.2%
Total	3596	1360	35	168	5159	100.0%
Primary Cause of ESRD*						
Diabetes	1519	925	16	91	2551	49.4%
Glomerulonephritis	235	70	2	8	315	6.1%
Secondary Glomerulonephritis/Vasculitis	41	15	0	5	61	1.2%
Interstitial Nephritis/Pyelonephritis	79	35	1	1	116	2.2%
Transplant Complications	3	0	0	1	4	0.1%
Hypertension/Large Vessel Disease	1292	211	13	48	1564	30.3%
Cystic/Hereditary/Congenital/ Other Diseases	79	26	0	3	108	2.1%
Neoplasms/Tumors	79	28	0	0	107	2.1%
Disorders of Mineral Metabolism	1	0	0	0	1	0.0%
Genitourinary System	2	1	0	0	3	0.1%
Acute Kidney Failure	22	5	0	0	27	0.5%
Miscellaneous Conditions	234	44	3	10	291	5.6%



Network 3's Service Area	New Jersey		Virgin Islands	Other	Network	Percent
Not Specified	10	0	0	1	11	0.2%
Total	3596	1360	35	168	5159	100.0%

Source of data: CROWNWeb.

#### **NOTES:**

- 1. This table includes data on dialysis and transplant patients whose initial "Admit Date" in CROWNWeb was within the calendar year. Excludes patients with a "Discharge Reason" of acute kidney failure.
- 2. This table may include data on some patients receiving dialysis services from U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facilities.
- 3. Data on "ethnicity" and "race" should be interpreted with caution because of the inherent instability of race/ethnicity data.



<sup>\*</sup>Categories are from the CMS-2728 form.

Network 3 Created: September 22, 2016

Table 2: Prevalent Dialysis Patients in Network 3's Service Area, by Patient Characteristics

As of December 31, 2015

Network 3's Service Area	New Jersey	Puerto Ricc	Virgin Islands	Other	Network	Percent
Age Group						
<= 4 Years	2	3	0	0	5	0.0%
5-9 Years	0	4	0	1	5	0.0%
10-14 Years	3	3	0	0	6	0.0%
L5-19 Years	12	9	1	0	22	0.1%
20-24 Years	85	31	0	2	118	0.6%
25-29 Years	156	51	3	6	216	1.1%
30-34 Years	250	92	6	10	358	1.8%
35-39 Years	385	163	4	8	560	2.9%
10-44 Years	513	234	12	9	768	3.9%
15-49 Years	814	363	13	22	1212	6.2%
50-54 Years	1161	529	21	22	1733	8.8%
55-59 Years	1484	609	24	47	2164	11.0%
60-64 Years	1690	803	22	37	2552	13.0%
55-69 Years	1760	893	28	43	2724	13.9%
70-74 Years	1608	753	32	40	2433	12.4%
75-79 Years	1359	594	22	31	2006	10.2%
30-84 Years	1162	348	16	18	1544	7.9%
>= 85 Years	986	169	7	15	1177	6.0%
Гotal	13430	5651	211	311	19603	100.0%
Median Age	65	64	64	63	65	
Gender						
- Female	5514	2120	82	139	7855	40.1%
Male	7916	3531	129	172	11748	59.9%
Гotal	13430	5651	211	311	19603	100.0%



Network 3's Service Area	New Jersey	Puerto Rico	Virgin Islands	Other	Network	Percent
Ethnicity*						
Hispanic or Latino	1622	5592	26	102	7342	37.5%
Not Hispanic or Latino	11806	57	185	209	12257	62.5%
Not Specified	2	2	0	0	4	0.0%
Total	13430	5651	211	311	19603	100.0%
Race*						
American Indian/Alaska Native	7	2	0	0	9	0.0%
Asian	577	1	1	9	588	3.0%
Black or African American	5116	457	170	114	5857	29.9%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	108	4	14	1	127	0.6%
White	7579	5085	16	185	12865	65.6%
More Than One Race Reported	42	100	10	2	154	0.8%
Not Specified	1	2	0	0	3	0.0%
Total	13430	5651	211	311	19603	100.0%
Primary Cause of ESRD*						
Diabetes	5541	3538	120	169	9368	47.8%
Glomerulonephritis	1139	488	9	20	1656	8.4%
Secondary Glomerulonephritis/ Vasculitis	274	73	2	11	360	1.8%
Interstitial Nephritis/Pyelonephritis	368	153	3	8	532	2.7%
Transplant Complications	4	0	0	1	5	0.0%
Hypertension/Large Vessel Disease	4507	904	59	81	5551	28.3%
Cystic/Hereditary/Congenital/ Other Diseases	411	197	2	7	617	3.1%
Neoplasms/Tumors	443	117	6	6	572	2.9%
Disorders of Mineral Metabolism	1	0	0	0	1	0.0%
Genitourinary System	1	1	0	0	2	0.0%
Acute Kidney Failure	16	6	0	0	22	0.1%
Miscellaneous Conditions	704	167	9	7	887	4.5%



Network 3's Service Area	New Jersey		Virgin Islands	Other	Network	Percent
Not Specified	21	7	1	1	30	0.2%
Total	13430	5651	211	311	19603	100.0%

Source of data: CROWNWeb.

#### **NOTES:**

- 1. This table includes data on all patients identified in CROWNWeb as alive and receiving dialysis services as of December 31 of the calendar year.
- 2. This table may include data on some patients receiving dialysis services from U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facilities.
- 3. Data on "ethnicity" and "race" should be interpreted with caution because of the inherent instability of race/ethnicity data.



<sup>\*</sup>Categories are from the CMS-2728 form.

Network 3 Created: September 22, 2016

Table 3: In-Home Dialysis Patients In Network 3's Service Area, by Dialysis Facility and Modality

As of December 31, 2015

Facility CCN	HD	CAPD	CCPD	Other Modalities	Total In- Home	Total In-Center and In-Home
310001	0	0	0	0	0	0
310002	0	0	0	0	0	0
310012	0	0	0	0	0	7
31001F	0	0	0	0	0	50
310025	0	0	0	0	0	57
310027	0	0	0	0	0	59
310029	0	0	0	0	0	0
310032	0	0	0	0	0	95
310034	0	0	0	0	0	61
310038	0	0	0	0	0	0
310052	8	0	7	0	15	106
310054	0	0	5	0	5	205
310064	0	0	0	0	0	58
310076	0	0	0	0	0	0
310083	0	0	0	0	0	131
310092	0	1	10	0	11	135
312501	0	0	0	0	0	192
312502	0	0	0	0	0	209
312503	0	2	4	0	6	110
312504	0	0	0	0	0	106
312505	0	0	8	0	8	112
312506	0	0	0	0	0	88
312508	0	9	37	0	46	131
312509	4	2	18	0	24	212
312510	0	0	0	0	0	99



Facility CCN	HD	CAPD	CCPD	Other Modalities	Total In- Home Patients	Total In-Center and In-Home Patients
312513	0	7	24	0	31	133
312514	2	0	4	0	6	91
312515	0	0	0	0	0	68
312516	0	0	0	0	0	44
312517	0	0	1	0	1	86
312518	0	0	2	0	2	107
312520	0	1	15	0	16	95
312521	0	0	0	0	0	67
312522	0	0	3	0	3	112
312523	1	1	5	0	7	61
312524	0	12	11	0	23	23
312525	1	2	50	0	53	216
312527	0	0	0	0	0	74
312528	0	0	8	0	8	95
312529	0	0	0	0	0	92
312530	0	0	0	0	0	88
312531	0	0	0	0	0	72
312532	0	0	0	0	0	95
312533	0	0	0	0	0	108
312534	0	0	0	0	0	64
312535	2	5	3	0	10	105
312536	1	8	10	0	19	153
312537	1	9	15	0	25	119
312538	0	0	0	0	0	106
312540	0	0	0	0	0	116
312541	0	0	0	0	0	69
312542	0	0	0	0	0	126
312543	5	0	0	0	5	99



Facility CCN	HD	CAPD	CCPD	Other Modalities	Total In- Home Patients	Total In-Center and In-Home Patients
312544	0	1	6	0	7	59
312545	0	2	9	0	11	118
312546	0	0	0	0	0	113
312547	0	0	2	0	2	46
312548	0	0	0	0	0	52
312550	0	1	9	0	10	56
312551	0	13	9	0	22	108
312552	0	2	8	0	10	102
312553	0	0	3	0	3	126
312554	0	3	9	0	12	144
312555	0	0	0	0	0	0
312557	0	0	10	0	10	109
312558	8	0	0	0	8	109
312559	0	1	22	0	23	133
312560	2	0	0	0	2	108
312561	0	1	5	0	6	57
312562	0	0	0	0	0	70
312563	0	3	18	0	21	90
312564	0	0	0	0	0	97
312565	0	0	0	0	0	46
312566	4	4	9	0	17	106
312567	0	0	0	0	0	88
312568	0	0	0	0	0	102
312569	0	0	0	0	0	59
312570	0	0	10	0	10	115
312571	0	0	2	0	2	75
312572	1	2	10	0	13	79
312573	0	0	0	0	0	146



Facility CCN	HD	CAPD	CCPD	Other Modalities	Total In- Home Patients	Total In-Center and In-Home Patients
312574	0	0	37	0	37	115
312575	0	0	0	0	0	65
312576	2	6	5	0	13	124
312578	0	0	0	0	0	93
312579	0	0	0	0	0	71
312580	0	0	0	0	0	129
312581	0	0	0	0	0	115
312582	0	0	0	0	0	71
312583	0	5	15	0	20	88
312584	10	0	0	0	10	90
312585	0	0	5	0	5	101
312586	0	0	0	0	0	81
312587	1	0	2	0	3	103
312588	0	0	0	0	0	81
312589	0	0	0	0	0	47
312590	6	1	11	0	18	98
312591	11	1	14	0	26	26
312592	3	1	15	0	19	66
312593	9	0	0	0	9	124
312594	0	0	0	0	0	79
312595	0	0	1	0	1	45
312596	0	0	0	0	0	66
312597	0	0	0	0	0	64
312598	0	0	0	0	0	96
312599	0	0	0	0	0	54
312600	0	0	2	0	2	61
312602	1	0	10	0	11	57
312603	0	0	4	0	4	53



Facility CCN	HD	CAPD	CCPD	Other Modalities	Total In- Home Patients	Total In-Center and In-Home Patients
312604	0	0	0	0	0	60
312605	0	0	0	0	0	31
312606	1	3	3	0	7	95
312607	1	0	5	0	6	72
312608	0	4	2	0	6	56
312609	6	0	5	0	11	65
312610	0	5	20	0	25	78
312611	3	1	7	0	11	86
312612	1	1	2	0	4	114
312613	0	0	0	0	0	31
312614	4	0	29	0	33	366
312615	2	5	9	0	16	223
312616	0	0	0	0	0	103
312617	0	0	0	0	0	39
312618	0	0	0	0	0	122
312619	1	2	6	0	9	93
312620	0	0	0	0	0	68
312621	0	0	3	0	3	90
312622	0	0	12	0	12	176
312623	0	0	0	0	0	54
312624	0	2	7	0	9	66
312625	0	3	2	0	5	39
312626	2	0	0	0	2	94
312627	0	0	0	0	0	77
312628	0	2	2	0	4	115
312629	0	0	4	0	4	67
312630	0	3	8	0	11	70
312631	0	0	5	0	5	5



Facility CCN	HD	CAPD	CCPD	Other Modalities	Total In- Home Patients	Total In-Center and In-Home Patients
312632	0	0	1	0	1	40
312633	0	0	7	0	7	31
312634	2	2	5	0	9	60
312635	1	7	9	0	17	67
312636	1	0	3	0	4	31
312637	2	0	14	0	16	62
312638	4	1	6	0	11	79
312639	0	0	1	0	1	38
312640	0	0	0	0	0	26
312641	3	0	5	0	8	50
312642	0	0	4	0	4	49
312643	0	0	0	0	0	46
312644	0	0	0	0	0	17
312645	4	5	0	0	9	47
312646	3	2	19	0	24	24
312647	0	1	1	0	2	30
312648	0	0	3	0	3	42
312649	0	2	2	0	4	20
312650	1	0	3	0	4	4
312651	0	1	1	0	2	13
312652	0	2	0	0	2	4
312653	1	2	0	0	3	3
312654	2	0	0	0	2	4
313501	0	4	17	0	21	199
313503	0	0	0	0	0	90
313517	0	0	0	0	0	197
313519	0	0	0	0	0	71
313520	0	1	2	0	3	120



Facility CCN	HD	CAPD	CCPD	Other Modalities	Total In- Home Patients	Total In-Center and In-Home Patients
NJ Total	128	167	736	0	1031	13702
400016	0	0	0	0	0	0
40003F	0	0	0	0	0	35
400061	0	0	0	0	0	61
402501	0	0	0	0	0	156
402502	0	2	10	0	12	181
402503	0	0	0	0	0	128
402504	0	0	0	0	0	141
402505	0	2	24	0	26	224
402506	0	0	0	0	0	105
402507	0	0	0	0	0	158
402508	0	3	12	0	15	118
402509	0	0	0	0	0	104
402510	0	3	37	0	40	221
402513	0	0	35	0	35	131
402514	0	0	0	0	0	203
402515	2	6	44	0	52	231
402517	0	7	21	0	28	173
402518	0	4	13	0	17	181
402519	0	3	30	0	33	173
402521	0	0	0	0	0	116
402525	0	0	18	0	18	121
402527	0	0	20	0	20	171
402528	0	1	13	0	14	100
402529	0	0	0	0	0	96
402530	0	4	26	0	30	255
402531	0	0	6	0	6	111



Facility CCN	HD	CAPD	CCPD	Other Modalities	Total In- Home Patients	Total In-Center and In-Home Patients
402533	0	0	10	0	10	198
402534	0	0	0	0	0	104
402535	0	0	0	0	0	73
402536	0	0	0	0	0	89
402537	0	0	0	0	0	94
402538	0	0	7	0	7	154
402539	0	0	10	0	10	185
402540	0	0	14	0	14	122
402541	0	0	16	0	16	173
402542	0	0	0	0	0	0
402543	0	2	9	0	11	137
402544	0	0	0	0	0	18
402546	0	0	0	0	0	98
402547	0	0	0	0	0	75
402548	0	0	0	0	0	100
402549	0	3	4	0	7	153
402550	0	2	8	0	10	76
402551	0	0	0	0	0	67
402552	0	0	0	0	0	82
402553	0	0	0	0	0	19
402554	0	0	0	0	0	12
403301	0	0	11	0	11	20
PR Total	2	42	398	0	442	5743
480001	0	0	0	0	0	87
480002	0	0	0	0	0	68
482500	0	0	0	0	0	47
482501	0	0	0	0	0	19



Facility CCN	HD	CAPD	CCPD		Home	Total In-Center and In-Home Patients
482502	0	0	0	0	0	11
VI Total	0	0	0	0	0	232
Network Total	130	209	1134	0	1473	19677

Source of data: ESRD Facility Survey (CMS-2744A) as recorded in CROWNWeb.

HD = Hemodialysis

CAPD = Continuous Ambulatory Peritoneal Dialysis

CCPD = Continuous Cycling Peritoneal Dialysis

NOTE: This table may include data for some U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facilities.



Table 4. In-Center Dialysis Patients in Network 3's Service Area, by Dialysis Facility and Modality

As of December 31, 2015

Facility CCN	HD	PD	Total In-Center Patients	Total In-Center and In-Home Patients
310012	7	0	7	7
31001F	50	0	50	50
310025	57	0	57	57
310027	59	0	59	59
310032	95	0	95	95
310034	61	0	61	61
310052	91	0	91	106
310054	200	0	200	205
310064	58	0	58	58
310083	131	0	131	131
310092	124	0	124	135
312501	192	0	192	192
312502	209	0	209	209
312503	104	0	104	110
312504	106	0	106	106
312505	104	0	104	112
312506	88	0	88	88
312508	85	0	85	131
312509	188	0	188	212
312510	99	0	99	99
312513	102	0	102	133
312514	85	0	85	91
312515	68	0	68	68
312516	44	0	44	44
312517	85	0	85	86



Facility CCN	HD	PD	Total In-Center Patients	Total In-Center and In-Home Patients
312518	105	0	105	107
312520	79	0	79	95
312521	67	0	67	67
312522	109	0	109	112
312523	54	0	54	61
312524	0	0	0	23
312525	163	0	163	216
312527	74	0	74	74
312528	87	0	87	95
312529	92	0	92	92
312530	88	0	88	88
312531	72	0	72	72
312532	95	0	95	95
312533	108	0	108	108
312534	64	0	64	64
312535	94	1	95	105
312536	134	0	134	153
312537	94	0	94	119
312538	106	0	106	106
312540	116	0	116	116
312541	69	0	69	69
312542	126	0	126	126
312543	94	0	94	99
312544	52	0	52	59
312545	107	0	107	118
312546	113	0	113	113
312547	44	0	44	46
312548	52	0	52	52



Facility CCN	HD	PD	Total In-Center Patients	Total In-Center and In-Home Patients
312550	46	0	46	56
312551	86	0	86	108
312552	92	0	92	102
312553	123	0	123	126
312554	132	0	132	144
312557	99	0	99	109
312558	101	0	101	109
312559	110	0	110	133
312560	106	0	106	108
312561	51	0	51	57
312562	70	0	70	70
312563	69	0	69	90
312564	97	0	97	97
312565	46	0	46	46
312566	89	0	89	106
312567	88	0	88	88
312568	102	0	102	102
312569	59	0	59	59
312570	105	0	105	115
312571	73	0	73	75
312572	66	0	66	79
312573	146	0	146	146
312574	78	0	78	115
312575	65	0	65	65
312576	111	0	111	124
312578	93	0	93	93
312579	71	0	71	71
312580	129	0	129	129



Facility CCN	HD	PD	Total In-Center	Total In-Center and
	=		Patients	In-Home Patients
312581	115	0	115	115
312582	71	0	71	71
312583	68	0	68	88
312584	80	0	80	90
312585	96	0	96	101
312586	81	0	81	81
312587	100	0	100	103
312588	81	0	81	81
312589	47	0	47	47
312590	80	0	80	98
312591	0	0	0	26
312592	47	0	47	66
312593	115	0	115	124
312594	79	0	79	79
312595	44	0	44	45
312596	66	0	66	66
312597	64	0	64	64
312598	96	0	96	96
312599	54	0	54	54
312600	59	0	59	61
312602	46	0	46	57
312603	49	0	49	53
312604	60	0	60	60
312605	31	0	31	31
312606	88	0	88	95
312607	66	0	66	72
312608	50	0	50	56
312609	54	0	54	65



Facility CCN	HD	PD	Total In-Center Patients	Total In-Center and In-Home Patients
312610	53	0	53	78
312611	75	0	75	86
312612	110	0	110	114
312613	31	0	31	31
312614	333	0	333	366
312615	207	0	207	223
312616	103	0	103	103
312617	39	0	39	39
312618	122	0	122	122
312619	84	0	84	93
312620	68	0	68	68
312621	87	0	87	90
312622	164	0	164	176
312623	54	0	54	54
312624	57	0	57	66
312625	34	0	34	39
312626	92	0	92	94
312627	77	0	77	77
312628	111	0	111	115
312629	63	0	63	67
312630	59	0	59	70
312631	0	0	0	5
312632	39	0	39	40
312633	24	0	24	31
312634	51	0	51	60
312635	50	0	50	67
312636	27	0	27	31
312637	46	0	46	62



Facility CCN	HD	PD	Total In-Center Patients	Total In-Center and In-Home Patients
312638	68	0	68	79
312639	37	0	37	38
312640	26	0	26	26
312641	42	0	42	50
312642	45	0	45	49
312643	46	0	46	46
312644	17	0	17	17
312645	38	0	38	47
312646	0	0	0	24
312647	28	0	28	30
312648	39	0	39	42
312649	16	0	16	20
312650	0	0	0	4
312651	11	0	11	13
312652	2	0	2	4
312653	0	0	0	3
312654	2	0	2	4
313501	178	0	178	199
313503	90	0	90	90
313517	197	0	197	197
313519	71	0	71	71
313520	117	0	117	120
NJ Total	12670	1	12671	13702
400016	0	0	0	0
40003F	35	0	35	35
400061	61	0	61	61
402501	156	0	156	156
402502	169	0	169	181



Facility CCN	HD	PD	Total In-Center Patients	Total In-Center and In-Home Patients
402503	128	0	128	128
402504	141	0	141	141
402505	198	0	198	224
402506	105	0	105	105
402507	158	0	158	158
402508	103	0	103	118
402509	104	0	104	104
402510	181	0	181	221
402513	96	0	96	131
402514	203	0	203	203
402515	179	0	179	231
402517	145	0	145	173
402518	164	0	164	181
402519	140	0	140	173
402521	116	0	116	116
402525	103	0	103	121
402527	151	0	151	171
402528	86	0	86	100
402529	96	0	96	96
402530	225	0	225	255
402531	105	0	105	111
402533	188	0	188	198
402534	104	0	104	104
402535	73	0	73	73
402536	89	0	89	89
402537	94	0	94	94
402538	147	0	147	154
402539	175	0	175	185



Facility CCN	HD	PD	Total In-Center Patients	Total In-Center and In-Home Patients
402540	108	0	108	122
402541	157	0	157	173
402542	0	0	0	0
402543	126	0	126	137
402544	18	0	18	18
402546	98	0	98	98
402547	75	0	75	75
402548	100	0	100	100
402549	146	0	146	153
402550	66	0	66	76
402551	67	0	67	67
402552	82	0	82	82
402553	19	0	19	19
402554	12	0	12	12
403301	9	0	9	20
PR Total	5301	0	5301	5743
480001	87	0	87	87
480002	68	0	68	68
482500	47	0	47	47
482501	19	0	19	19
482502	11	0	11	11
VI Total	232	0	232	232
Network Tota	18203	1	18204	19677

Source of data: ESRD Facility Survey (CMS-2744A) as recorded in CROWNWeb.

HD = Hemodialysis

PD = Peritoneal Dialysis

NOTE: This table may include data for some U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facilities.



Table 5: Number of Transplants Performed in Network 3's Service Area, by Transplant Center and Donor Type and Number of Patients on Transplant Waiting List\* in Network 3's Service Area, by Transplant Center

January 1, 2015 - December 31, 2015

Transplant Center CCN	Deceased Donor	Living Related Donor	Living Unrelated Donor	Unknown Donor Type	Total Transplants Performed	Patients on Transplant Waiting List
310001	12	3	1	0	16	143
310002	2	0	0	0	2	0
310029	37	4	5	0	46	274
310038	45	9	9	0	63	489
310076	167	56	79	0	302	1549
NJ Total	263	72	94	0	429	2455
400016	93	3	3	0	99	910
PR Total	93	3	3	0	99	910
Network Total	356	75	97	0	528	3365
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Source of data: CROWNWeb. Information on patients awaiting transplant comes from the ESRD Facility Survey completed by transplant centers (Form CMS-2744B).



<sup>\*</sup>As of December 31, 2015.

Table 6: Renal Transplant\* Recipients in Network 3's Service Area, by Patient Characteristics

January 1, 2015 - December 31, 2015

Network 3's Service Area	New Jersey	Puerto Rico	Virgin Islands	Other	Network Total	Percent
Age Group						
<= 4 Years	1	0	0	0	1	0.2%
5-9 Years	1	0	0	0	1	0.2%
10-14 Years	4	0	0	0	4	0.8%
15-19 Years	5	0	0	0	5	0.9%
20-24 Years	13	5	0	0	18	3.4%
25-29 Years	20	4	0	3	27	5.1%
30-34 Years	16	9	0	0	25	4.7%
35-39 Years	36	16	0	2	54	10.2%
40-44 Years	35	7	0	0	42	8.0%
45-49 Years	45	16	0	2	63	12.0%
50-54 Years	55	15	0	7	77	14.6%
55-59 Years	59	9	0	5	73	13.9%
60-64 Years	52	9	1	3	65	12.3%
65-69 Years	42	5	0	2	49	9.3%
70-74 Years	14	2	0	3	19	3.6%
75-79 Years	3	1	0	0	4	0.8%
80-84 Years	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
>= 85 Years	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Total	401	98	1	27	527	100.0%
Median Age	51	49	51	53	51	
Gender						
Female	165	29	1	14	209	39.7%
Male	236	69	0	13	318	60.3%
Total	401	98	1	27	527	100.0%



Network 3's Service Area	New Jersey	Puerto Rico	Virgin Islands	Other	Network Total	Percent
Ethnicity*						
Hispanic or Latino	62	96	0	3	161	30.6%
Not Hispanic or Latino	332	2	1	24	359	68.1%
Not Specified	7	0	0	0	7	1.3%
Total	401	98	1	27	527	100.0%
Race*						
American Indian/Alaska Native	1	0	0	0	1	0.2%
Asian	31	0	0	2	33	6.3%
Black or African American	129	13	1	6	149	28.3%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	7	1	0	0	8	1.5%
White	225	84	0	19	328	62.2%
More Than One Race Reported	1	0	0	0	1	0.2%
Not Specified	7	0	0	0	7	1.3%
Total	401	98	1	27	527	100.0%
Primary Cause of ESRD**						
Diabetes	106	36	1	6	149	28.3%
Glomerulonephritis	77	20	0	5	102	19.4%
Secondary Glomerulonephritis/Vasculitis	27	4	0	1	32	6.1%
Interstitial Nephritis/Pyelonephritis	10	3	0	0	13	2.5%
Transplant Complications	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Hypertension/Large Vessel Disease	88	15	0	8	111	21.1%
Cystic/Hereditary/Congenital/Other Diseases	41	11	0	4	56	10.6%
Neoplasms/Tumors	15	4	0	2	21	4.0%
Disorders of Mineral Metabolism	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Genitourinary System	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Acute Kidney Failure	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Miscellaneous Conditions	30	5	0	1	36	6.8%



Network 3's Service Area	New Jersey	Puerto Rico	Virgin Islands	Other	Network Total	Percent
Not Specified	7	0	0	0	7	1.3%
Total	401	98	1	27	527	100.0%

### NOTES:

1. Data on "ethnicity" and "race" should be interpreted with caution because of the inherent instability of race/ethnicity data.



<sup>\*</sup>Data are shown for unduplicated patients. A patient who had more than one transplant during the calendar year is counted only once in the table.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Categories are from the CMS-2728 form.

Table 7. Deaths among Dialysis Patients in Network 3's Service Area, by Patient Characteristics

January 1, 2015 - December 31, 2015

Network 3's Service Area	New Jersey	Puerto Rico	Virgin Islands	Other	Network	Percent
Age Group						
<= 4 Years	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
5-9 Years	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
10-14 Years	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
15-19 Years	0	1	0	0	1	0.0%
20-24 Years	3	1	0	0	4	0.1%
25-29 Years	5	4	0	0	9	0.2%
30-34 Years	11	5	0	1	17	0.5%
35-39 Years	19	19	1	1	40	1.1%
10-44 Years	38	18	2	1	59	1.6%
15-49 Years	59	30	0	1	90	2.4%
50-54 Years	105	80	4	6	195	5.3%
55-59 Years	212	82	2	6	302	8.2%
60-64 Years	246	103	3	3	355	9.6%
55-69 Years	349	153	5	8	515	13.9%
70-74 Years	375	174	1	5	555	15.0%
75-79 Years	371	147	4	7	529	14.3%
30-84 Years	397	107	4	9	517	14.0%
>= 85 Years	418	83	0	7	508	13.7%
Гotal	2608	1007	26	55	3696	100.0%
Median Age	73	70	66	70	72	
Gender						
- Female	1078	418	9	13	1518	41.1%
Male	1530	589	17	42	2178	58.9%
Total	2608	1007	26	55	3696	100.0%



Network 3's Service Area	New	Puerto	Virgin	Other	Network	Percent
	Jersey	Rico	Islands			
Ethnicity*						
Hispanic or Latino	221	994	2	15	1232	33.3%
Not Hispanic or Latino	2387	13	24	40	2464	66.7%
Total	2608	1007	26	55	3696	100.0%
Race*						
American Indian/Alaska Native	3	0	0	0	3	0.1%
Asian	58	1	0	0	59	1.6%
Black or African American	758	70	20	12	860	23.3%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	20	2	0	0	22	0.6%
White	1762	912	2	42	2718	73.5%
More Than One Race Reported	7	22	4	0	33	0.9%
Not Specified				1	1	0.0%
Total	2608	1007	26	55	3696	100.0%
Primary Cause of ESRD*						
Diabetes	1149	675	12	20	1856	50.2%
Glomerulonephritis	113	48	1	2	164	4.4%
Secondary Glomerulonephritis/Vasculitis	37	9	0	0	46	1.2%
Interstitial Nephritis/Pyelonephritis	75	25	1	1	102	2.8%
Transplant Complications	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Hypertension/Large Vessel Disease	867	170	10	17	1064	28.8%
Cystic/Hereditary/Congenital/ Other Diseases	36	14	0	2	52	1.4%
Neoplasms/Tumors	105	24	0	3	132	3.6%
Disorders of Mineral Metabolism	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Genitourinary System	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Acute Kidney Failure	2	0	0	0	2	0.1%
Miscellaneous Conditions	221	41	2	10	274	7.4%



Network 3's Service Area	New Jersey	Puerto Rico	Virgin Islands	Other	Network	Percent
Not Specified	0	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Total	2608	1007	26	55	3696	100.0%
Primary Cause of Death**						
Cardiac	1128	402	7	18	1555	42.1%
Endocrine	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Gastrointestinal	28	31	1	5	65	1.8%
Infection	243	232	2	7	484	13.1%
Liver Disease	24	12	0	0	36	1.0%
Metabolic	11	5	0	0	16	0.4%
Vascular	99	69	4	1	173	4.7%
Other	677	138	5	11	831	22.5%
Unknown	383	115	7	11	516	14.0%
Not Specified	15	3	0	2	20	0.5%
Total	2608	1007	26	55	3696	100.0%

### **NOTES:**

- 1. This table may include data on some patients who received dialysis services from U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facilities.
- 2. Data on "ethnicity" and "race" should be interpreted with caution because of the inherent instability of race/ethnicity data.



<sup>\*</sup>Categories are from the CMS-2728 form.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Categories are from the CMS-2746 form.

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Table 8a: Vocational Rehabilitation Status, Employment Status, and School Attendance of Prevalent Dialysis Patients Age 18–54 Years in Network 3's Service Area

As of December 31, 2015

State	Aged 18 through 54		Rehab Services		Attending School Full-Time or Part- Time
NJ	3417	11	5	659	26
PR	1496	20	16	190	14
VI	65	0	1	23	1
Network Total	4978	31	22	872	41

Source of data: CROWNWeb.

Voc Rehab = Vocational Rehabilitation



Table 8b: Vocational Rehabilitation Status, Employment Status, and School Attendance of Prevalent Dialysis Patients Age 18–54 Years in Network 3's Service Area

As of December 31, 2015

Category		Voc Rehab	Completed Voc Rehab Services	Not Eligible for Voc Rehab	Voc Rehab	No Voc Rehab Status	
Employed Full-Time							
Attending School Full-Time	0	0	0	0	0	2	
Attending School Part-Time	0	0	0	0	0	3	
Not Attending School	1	0	0	13	34	24	
School Status Not Specified	1	0	1	0	2	588	
Employed Part-Time	<u> </u>			1			
Attending School Full-Time	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Attending School Part-Time	0	1	0	0	2	2	
Not Attending School	2	0	0	0	25	9	
School Status Not Specified	1	0	4	1	2	152	
Employment Status Not Specifi	ed						
Attending School Full-Time	0	2	0	0	0	1	
Attending School Part-Time	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Not Attending School	0	1	0	0	0	59	
Homemaker	<u> </u>						
Attending School Full-Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Attending School Part-Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Not Attending School	2	0	0	2	14	2	
School Status Not Specified	0	0	0	0	0	94	
Retired*							
Attending School Full-Time	0	3	0	0	1	0	
Attending School Part-Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Not Attending School	9	0	0	24	110	22	
School Status Not Specified	0	1	2	2	14	617	



Category	Referred to Voc Rehab Services	Receiving Voc Rehab Services	Completed Voc Rehab Services	Not Eligible for Voc Rehab	Voc Rehab	No Voc Rehab Status
Medical Leave of Absence						
Attending School Full-Time	0	0	0	0	0	0
Attending School Part-Time	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not Attending School	1	0	0	0	11	7
School Status Not Specified	0	0	0	0	1	138
Other**						
Attending School Full-Time	0	0	0	0	0	0
Attending School Part-Time	0	0	0	0	0	0
School Status Not Specified	0	0	0	0	0	0

Voc Rehab = Vocational Rehabilitation



<sup>\*</sup>Retired due to preference or disability.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Other = Employment Status of Student or Unemployed

Network 3		Created: Septe	ember 22, 2016
Table 9a: Incident ESRD Pa	tients in Network 3's Service A	rea, by Ethnicity	and Race
January 1, 2015 - Decembe	er 31, 2015		
Ethnicity* Category	Race* Category	Number	Percent
Hispanic or Latino	American Indian/Alaska Nativ	e 0	0.0%
	Asian	1	0.1%
	Black or African American	66	3.7%
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	8	0.4%
	White	1710	95.7%
	More Than One Race Reported	2	0.1%
	Total	1787	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	American Indian/Alaska Nativ	e 2	0.1%
	Asian	153	4.5%
	Black or African American	1069	31.8%
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	32	1.0%
	White	2093	62.2%
	More Than One Race Reported	15	0.4%
	Total	3364	100.0%
Ethnicity Not Specified	Asian	0	0.0%
	Black or African American	0	0.0%
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0%
	White	0	0.0%
	More Than One Race Reported	0	0.0%
	Not Specified	8	100.0%
	Total	8	100.0%
	Total: Incident ESRD Patients	5159	

# NOTES:

- 1. This table includes data on dialysis and transplant patients whose initial "Admit Date" in CROWNWeb was within the calendar year. Excludes patients with a "Discharge Reason" of acute kidney failure.
- 2. This table may include data on some patients receiving dialysis services from U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facilities.



<sup>\*</sup>Categories are from the CMS-2728 form.

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Table 9b: Prevalent Dialysis Patients in Network 3's Service Area, by Ethnicity and Race

January 1, 2015 - December 31, 2015

Ethnicity* Category	Race* Category	Number	Percent
Hispanic or Latino	American Indian/Alaska Native	1	0.0%
	Asian	11	0.1%
	Black or African American	512	7.0%
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	23	0.3%
	White	6675	90.9%
	More Than One Race Reported	120	1.6%
	Total	7342	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	American Indian/Alaska Native	8	0.1%
	Asian	577	4.7%
	Black or African American	5345	43.6%
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	104	0.8%
	White	6189	50.5%
	More Than One Race Reported	34	0.3%
	Total	12257	100.0%
Ethnicity Not Specified	American Indian/Alaska Native	0	0.0%
	Asian	0	0.0%
	Black or African American	0	0.0%
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0%
	White	1	25.0%
	More Than One Race Reported	0	0.0%
	Not Specified	3	75.0%
	Total	4	100.0%
	Total: Prevalent ESRD Patients	19603	

Source of data: CROWNWeb.

## NOTES:

- 1. This table includes data on all patients identified in CROWNWeb as alive and receiving dialysis services as of December 31 of the calendar year.
- 2. This table may include data on some patients receiving dialysis services from U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facilities.
- 3. Data on "ethnicity" and "race" should be interpreted with caution because of the inherent instability of race/ethnicity data.



<sup>\*</sup>Categories are from the CMS-2728 form.

Table 9c: Renal Transplant Recipients\* in Network 3's Service Area, by Ethnicity and Race

January 1, 2015 - December 31, 2015

Ethnicity** Category	Race** Category	Number	Percent
Hispanic or Latino	American Indian/Alaska Native	0	0.0%
	Asian	2	1.2%
	Black or African American	17	10.6%
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2	1.2%
	White	139	86.3%
	More Than One Race Reported	1	0.6%
	Total	161	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	American Indian/Alaska Native	1	0.3%
	Asian	31	8.6%
	Black or African American	132	36.8%
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	6	1.7%
	White	189	52.6%
	More Than One Race Reported	0	0.0%
	Total	359	100.0%
Ethnicity Not Specified	American Indian/Alaska Native	0	0.0%
	Asian	0	0.0%
	Black or African American	0	0.0%
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0%
	White	0	0.0%
	More Than One Race Reported	0	0.0%
	Not Specified	7	100.0%
	Total	7	100.0%
	Total: Transplant ESRD Patients	527	

Source of data: CROWNWeb.

### NOTES:

1. Data on "ethnicity" and "race" should be interpreted with caution because of the inherent instability of race/ethnicity data.



<sup>\*</sup>Data are shown for unduplicated patients. A patient who had more than one transplant during the calendar year is counted only once in the table.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Categories are from the CMS-2728 form.