



Patient

EDUCATION TOPIC

DIALYSIS FACILITY COMPARE (DFC)

Dialysis Facility Compare (DFC) provides information on more than 7,000 facilities throughout the country. DFC helps you compare dialysis centers and choose one that's right for you or your loved one. The information on DFC can help you learn:

- How well dialysis centers care for their patients
- How often dialysis centers follow best practices and how effective they are at keeping patients healthy
- How patients feel about their experience at dialysis centers

When you're looking for a dialysis center that is right for you, talk to your doctor and dialysis center staff about what this information means and how you can use it to make health care decisions.

HOW CAN I USE DFC?

You can use DFC to:

- **Locate a different dialysis center**
 - If you're traveling
 - If you're moving
 - If you want to see how other centers compare to the center where you currently get dialysis
- **Choose a dialysis center**
 - Review the services and performance of dialysis centers near you. Quality of care measures are an important factor to consider when choosing a dialysis center, but you should also find out if a dialysis center meets your needs. For example, is a center near your home? Does it provide the type of dialysis you want?
 - Look at information on other websites about dialysis quality.

WHAT INFORMATION CAN I GET FROM DFC?

DFC provides details about:

- Star ratings for dialysis centers
- Survey of patients' experiences star ratings
- Basic information about dialysis centers and their services
- Quality of patient care at different dialysis centers

Learn more by visiting <https://www.medicare.gov/dialysisfacilitycompare/#about/what-is-dfc>.