

# **DIVISION SCOPE OF SERVICE**

**Division: TRISTAR** 

Classification: CERTIFIED DIALYSIS TECHNOLOGIST

**Applicant Name:** 

# **Certified Dialysis Technologist:**

The Certified Dialysis Technologist must have equivalent qualifications, competence and function in the same role as employed individuals performing the same or similar services at the facility.

### **Definition of Care or Service:**

The Certified Dialysis Technologist under the direct supervision of a Registered Nurse may assist in performing hemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis, aphaeresis, CRRT, and Ultra-filtration procedures ordered by a physician. Scope of Service may include:

- Provides patient and family education
- Utilizes equipment to perform dialysis treatments under the direct supervision of a Registered Nurse
- Provides patient care during dialysis procedures which may include:
  - o Coordination of care with other disciplines
  - Nutritional care
  - Hygiene (i.e., oral care, bathing)
- Maintains and secures patient data and records
- Documents care provided and procedure performed in the medical record as defined by facility policy
- Transportation of patients to and from dialysis suite
- Transportation of dialysis supplies to and from patient rooms
- Delivery of specimens to the lab
- Disinfection and culturing of all dialysis machines and ROs
- Inventory and ordering of dialysis supplies.
- Demonstrates Clinical and Service excellence behaviors to include code of HCA Healthcare conduct core fundamentals in daily interactions with patients, families, co-workers and physicians

### Setting(s):

- Healthcare facilities including but not limited to hospitals, outpatient treatment facilities, imaging centers, and physician practices
- Dialysis procedures may occur in the patient's room or dialysis suite

# Supervision:

- Direct supervision by Team Leader on site, Department Director or designee
  - o Indirect supervision by physician or other licensed independent practitioner that prescribes the dialysis procedures
  - Direct Supervision by Registered Nurse

**Evaluator:** Contracted Dialysis Manager, Team Leader, Department Director or designee in conjunction with supervising physician or licensed independent practitioner

Tier Level: 2

eSAF Access Required: YES

#### Qualifications:

High school degree/GED or higher



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- Proof of <u>one</u> of the below:
  - The Nephrology Nursing Certification Commission (NNCC)
    - Certified Clinical Hemodialysis Technician (CCHT) Exam
  - The Board of Nephrology Examiners Nursing and Technology (BONENT)
    - Certified Hemodialysis Technician (CHT) Exam
  - o The National Nephrology Certification Organization, Inc. (NNCO)
    - Certified in Clinical Nephrology Technology (CCNT) Exam
    - Certified in Biomedical Nephrology Technology (CBNT) Exam
- American Heart Association or Red Cross health care provider BLS Certification

NOTE: Where education may not be defined in qualifications area of the Scope, HCA Healthcare requires the highest level of education completed (not training or courses) confirmed on your background check.

# **State Requirements:**

• N/A

# **Experience:**

N/A

## **Preferred Experience:**

• One year of Dialysis experience is preferred

### **Competencies:**

The Certified Dialysis Tech will demonstrate:

- Safe and effective operation of dialysis equipment
  - o Maintains equipment in good working order
  - o Demonstrates effective infection control practices related to equipment operation
- Accurate patient information review and evaluation
  - Uses at least two ways to identify patients before treating or performing a procedure
  - Verifies that the requested procedure correlates with the patient's clinical history, presentation and physician order
  - Participates in the pre-procedure process to verify the correct procedure, for the correct patient, at the correct site and involves the patient in the verification process when possible
  - Accesses the patient medical record appropriately
  - Documents in the medical record according to the facility standard / policy
- Provides patient care during the dialysis treatment
  - Accesses, monitors and maintains the patient's dialysis access site with appropriate sterile and / or aseptic technique
  - Demonstrates competency in performing waived testing
  - o Provides patient and family education about dialysis treatments
  - o Participates in communication with the other members of the patient's healthcare team
  - Notifies the RN when immediate treatment is necessary, based on procedural findings and patient conditions
    - Recognizes the need for an urgent report and takes appropriate action
    - Utilizes the facility emergency response team appropriately including specific Code Blue activation procedures.
- Infection Prevention
  - Practices consistent hand hygiene
  - Uses personal protective equipment (PPE) when required
  - Required immunizations per Division requirements
  - Complies with Isolation precautions



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Maintains sterile field

# References:

Board of Nephrology Examiners Nursing and Technology (BONENT) <a href="http://www.bonent.org/cht.php">http://www.bonent.org/cht.php</a>
National Nephrology Certification Organization (NNCO) <a href="http://www.nnco-cert.org/">http://www.nnco-cert.org/</a>
National Association of Nephrology Technicians (NANT) <a href="http://www.dialysistech.net/">http://www.dialysistech.net/</a>
National Association Contribution Contribution (NNCO) <a href="http://www.nnco-cert.org/">http://www.nnco-cert.org/</a>

Nephrology Nursing Certification Commission (NNCC) <a href="https://www.nncc-exam.org/resources/certified-directory">https://www.nncc-exam.org/resources/certified-directory</a>

# **Document Control:**

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Your signature confirms you will be able to comply with the Qualifications and Competencies listed within this Scope of Service and that you will confirm education via your background check.

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