Home Dialysis Central Publishes List of ETC Participating Clinics

Madison, Wisconsin—A new KidneyViews blog post from Home Dialysis Central links to a list of clinics participating in the new ESRD Treatment Choices (ETC) Model. ETC aims to increase home dialysis and access to transplant.

The list of participating clinics was compiled by Medical Education Institute (MEI) by cross-referencing three separate lists from CMS. Of the almost 8,000 dialysis clinics in the U.S., 2,432 were identified as participating in the ETC Model. Of the 2,432 participating clinics:

- 1,187 clinics (49%) do NOT offer ANY home dialysis.
- 143 clinics were independents—not part of a multi-facility organization (dialysis chain).
  - 58 of these clinics do NOT offer any home dialysis.
- 2,289 clinics are part of a dialysis chain.
  - 1,129 of these do NOT offer any home dialysis.

Patients are required to be notified if their clinic or managing clinician is participating in the ETC Model. Patients have the right to change clinics or physicians at any time, and clinic staff are supposed to help them transfer to another clinic of their choosing. The list will be useful for any patient that chooses not to have their dialysis care incentivized by the ETC Model.

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