



**November 2023 E-Newsletter from Network 11**

**Save the Date - CMS meeting December 13<sup>th</sup>**



In partnership with the Region 5 CMS office and our neighboring ESRD Networks, Midwest Kidney Network is co-hosting a webinar to provide information about the Inflation Reduction Act, Medicaid Renewals, Medicare Open Enrollment, Medicare Savings Plan final rule and the [Organ Transplantation Affinity Group](#). Please use this link to register. Pre-registration is required. We hope you can join us!

**IN-person NKF Wisconsin Event Nov 16<sup>th</sup>**

On Thursday, November 16, renal professionals from across the state of Wisconsin will converge on the DoubleTree by Hilton Madison East (4402 E Washington Ave, Madison, WI 53704) for a day of education and networking. Attendees will be eligible for 7.5 CE as well as 3 IPCE credits. Sessions for renal dietitians, nurses, social workers, and dialysis technicians will explore best practices in kidney transplant, dialysis care, nutrition, social pressures, and additional topics impacting kidney health. Register here: <https://www.kidneywi.org/rpec2023/>



**ESRD NCC Nov and Dec LAN Call Schedule**

Reducing Hospitalizations LAN	11/21, 2pm ET
Home Dialysis LAN	11/30, 2pm ET
Depression LAN	12/12, 1pm ET
Vaccination/COVID LAN	12/28, 12pm ET

The NCC would like to prepare for the upcoming holiday season by recapping the scheduled Network presenters for November and December LANs. As a reminder, these events are scheduled for 60 minutes, but aim to conclude them in 30-40 minutes divided between the three presenters. Registration is available here: [Hospitalization](#), [Home Dialysis](#), [Depression](#), and [Vaccination/COVID](#).

**Addressing Transportation Needs**

On October 27<sup>th</sup> the ESRD NCC hosted a webinar on Addressing Transportation Needs. There was a lot of interest in this topic but not everyone was able to attend. The webinar recording is now available here: [https://youtu.be/QKB6o7DuwtU?si=5ic90YmEw\\_Vf1evC](https://youtu.be/QKB6o7DuwtU?si=5ic90YmEw_Vf1evC)

**EQRS Help for the Holidays**

EQRS Help for the Holidays – Midwest Kidney Network staff are available to answer all your EQRS and CMS Form (2728 & 2746) questions. We also offer 1:1 technical assistance with all EQRS problems or issues. During the holiday season, we know things get even busier, so please reach out to us first if you need assistance with submitting a CMS Form. Midwest Kidney Network can even submit **completed** CMS Forms in EQRS, on your behalf. **For Michigan facilities, please reach out to Aletha at (651) 644-9877 ext. 104. For MN, ND, SD, WI facilities, please reach out to Alli at (651) 644-2911.**

