

Acronyms and Abbreviations

| Acronym / Abbreviation | What It Stands For |
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| AAMI | Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation |
| ACTS | Aspen Complaint Tracking System |
| AHRQ | Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality |
| ALT | alanine aminotransferase, also called SGPT |
| ANNA | American Nephrology Nurses' Association |
| ANSI | American National Standards Institute |
| Anti-HBc | antibody to hepatitis B core antigen |
| Anti-HBs | antibody to hepatitis B surface antigen |
| Anti-HCV | antibody to hepatitis C virus |
| AP | arterial pressure |
| APD | automated peritoneal dialysis, see CCPD |
| AVF | arteriovenous fistula |
| AVG | arteriovenous graft |
| BCG | bromcresol green—laboratory method for measuring albumin |
| BCP | bromcresol purple—laboratory method for measuring albumin |
| BFR | blood flow rate |
| BSI | blood stream infection |
| BUN | blood urea nitrogen |
| Ca | calcium |
| CAPD | continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis |
| CCN | CMS certification number |
| CCPD | continuous cycling peritoneal dialysis, see APD |
| CCSQ | Center for Clinical Standards and Quality |
| CDC | U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention |
| CfC | Conditions for Coverage |
| CFR | Code of Federal Regulations |
| CFU | colony-forming unit |
| CHOW | change of ownership |
| CHr | reticulocyte hemoglobin |
| CKD | chronic kidney disease |
| CI | confidence interval |
| CLIA | Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments |
| CMS | Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services |
| CO ₂ | carbon dioxide, bicarbonate (on labs) |
| CoP | Conditions of Participation |
| CPM | Clinical Performance Measures project |
| CQI | continuous quality improvement |
| CrCl | creatinine clearance |
| CROWNWeb | Consolidated Renal Operations in a Web-enabled Network |
| CRP | C-reactive protein |
| CVC | central venous catheter |
| DFC | Dialysis Facility Compare Web site |
| DFR | dialysate flow rate |

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| DFU | directions for use |
| DI | Deionization |
| DOPPS | Dialysis Outcomes and Practice Patterns Study |
| EBCT | empty bed contact time |
| ECF | extra cellular fluid |
| EDW | estimated dry weight |
| eKt/V | equilibrated Kt/V (see Kt/V) |
| EPO | epoetin; erythropoietin |
| ESA | erythropoiesis-stimulating agent |
| ESRD | end stage renal disease |
| EU | endotoxin units |
| FDA | U. S. Food and Drug Administration |
| GAC | granular activated carbon |
| GFR | glomerular filtration rate |
| HBcAg | hepatitis B core antigen |
| HBsAg | hepatitis B surface antigen |
| HBV | hepatitis B virus |
| HCV | hepatitis C virus |
| HD | Hemodialysis |
| HDF | Hemodiafiltration |
| HHD | home hemodialysis |
| HIPAA | Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act |
| HRQOL | health-related quality of life |
| ICH CAHPS | Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems In-Center Hemodialysis Survey |
| ICHD | in-center hemodialysis |
| ICPD | In-center peritoneal dialysis |
| IDPN | intradialytic parenteral nutrition |
| IDT | interdisciplinary team |
| IDWG | interdialytic (between dialysis treatments) weight gain |
| IDWL | Intradialytic (during one dialysis treatment) weight loss |
| IG | Interpretive Guidance |
| IJ | immediate jeopardy; internal jugular |
| IPD | intermittent peritoneal dialysis |
| IVD | involuntary discharge |
| K | Potassium |
| KDIGO | Kidney Disease Improving Global Outcomes (guidelines) |
| KDOQI | Kidney Disease Outcomes Quality Initiative (guidelines) |
| KDQOL-36 | Kidney Disease Quality of Life 36 (survey) |
| Kt/V | kinetic modeling for dialysis adequacy reflecting clearance, time, & volume |
| LAL | limulus amebocyte lysate |
| LDO | large dialysis organization |

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| LSC | Life Safety Code |
| LTC | long term care |
| MAT | Measures Assessment Tool |
| MAC | Medicare Administrative Contractor |
| MATCH-D | Method to Assess Treatment Choices for Home Dialysis |
| mEq | Milliequivalent |
| mIU | million international units |
| MMWR | Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report |
| MRSA | Methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> |
| Na | Sodium |
| NHD | nocturnal hemodialysis |
| NHHD | nocturnal home hemodialysis |
| NHSN | National Healthcare Safety Network |
| NKF | National Kidney Foundation |
| NPCR | normalized protein catabolic rate |
| NW | ESRD Network |
| PCR | protein catabolic rate |
| PCT | patient care technician |
| PD | peritoneal dialysis |
| PET | peritoneal equilibration test |
| PM | preventive maintenance |
| PO ₄ | Phosphorus |
| POC | Plan of correction; plan of care |
| PPE | personal protective equipment |
| ppm | parts per million |
| PPS | Prospective Payment System |
| psi | pounds per square inch |
| QAPI | Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement |
| QIP | Quality Incentive Program |
| QOL | quality of life |
| RKF | residual kidney function, see RRF |
| RO | reverse osmosis; regional office |
| RRF | residual renal function, see RKF |
| RRT | renal replacement therapy |
| RUF | reverse ultrafiltration |
| S&C | Survey & Certification |
| SDHD | short daily hemodialysis |
| SHR | standardized hospitalization ratio |
| SMR | standardized mortality ratio |
| SOM | State Operations Manual |
| SOW | statement (or scope) of work ESRD Networks |
| spKt/V | single pool Kt/V (see Kt/V) |
| STAR | Surveyor Technical Assistant for Renal Disease |

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| stdKt/V | standardized Kt/V (see Kt/V) |
| STR | standardized transplantation ratio |
| TBD | to be determined |
| TCV | total cell volume |
| TDS | total dissolved solids |
| TMP | transmembrane pressure |
| TP | Transplant |
| TSAT | transferin saturation |
| Tx | Treatment |
| UF | Ultrafiltration |
| UFR | ultrafiltration rate (a way of removing fluid during hemodialysis) |
| UM-KECC | University of Michigan Kidney Epidemiology and Cost Center |
| URR | urea reduction ratio |
| USRDS | United States Renal Data System |
| VP | venous pressure |
| VRE | Vancomycin-resistant Enterococcus |
| WHO | World Health Organization; waste handling option (direct connection to drain found on certain dialysis machines) |