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## MEI Welcomes New Program Director

Madison, Wisconsin — The non-profit Medical Education Institute (MEI) is pleased to welcome Jennifer Ravert, RN as its new Program Director. In this role, she will contribute her nephrology nursing expertise and passion for improving patient outcomes to a variety of current and future initiatives.



Jenn spent most of the last decade as an RN specializing in home dialysis modalities in New York, upon graduating from SUNY, Albany with a BA in fine art and art history, followed by nursing school at SUNY Adirondack. Since her grandmother was on dialysis at the time, she bought MEI's *Help! I Need Dialysis!* book, read it several times, and fell in love with MEI and its mission to improve the lives of people with chronic illness.

After starting her nursing career in acute dialysis, Jenn later moved to in-center, and then to home therapies, teaching both PD and home HD on as many systems as she had access to. She is known for her fierce advocacy for patients, dedication to quality of life, and penchant for education.

*"As a clinical nurse, I made it my mission to treat all of my patients like family,"* notes Jenn. *"It is an honor and privilege to be with people during their most tumultuous times: the resilience of the human spirit and unending potential for growth are incredibly powerful. Being a successful teacher requires creatively working outside the box to make the positive impressions necessary for people to feel comfortable enough to learn. Solving problems that are barriers to patients living better lives is a passionate mission of mine, and the drive to do that for a larger audience is what led me to MEI."*

Dori Schatell, MS, MEI Executive Director, says, *"We are thrilled and delighted to add Jenn's energy and commitment to our team, and look forward to blazing new trails toward person-centered care in nephrology."*

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