



MEI is a non-profit 501(c)(3) Public Charity dedicated to emmpowering people with chronic disease to manage and improve their health. *Here are four ways to work with us:* 

# **1. Put our Expertise to Work for You**

As subject-matter experts: Leverage our experience with 20,000+ patients to inform your efforts. As thought leaders: MEI can help you develop or refine patient-centered goals, objectives, and tactics. As researchers: By conducting studies, MEI can find answers to your most important questions. As creators of medical education programs: MEI can design and customize education to meet YOUR needs. As patient advocates: MEI can help you build a strategy for patient-friendly policies.

# 2. Reach Your Target Audience: Sponsor our Award-Winning Programs



# **UifeOptions**

Help people live long and well with CKD. With 2.6 million page views per year, people with CKD come to learn how to care for themselves





Raise awareness and use of PD and home HD. Learn about home options and life at home, locate a clinic, get answers, and find stories, helpful tools, and information.



# **G**Kidney School

**Support self-management** with our free online curriculum for people with CKD. Eighteen easy-to-read modules are in English and Spanish. Web, print, audio learning and CE credits are available.

Support for our work comes from project fees, grants, government subcontracts, donations, and sponsorships for our programs. **Email Dori Schatell (info@mei.org) to request a sponsorship proposal or discuss your project.** 

# **3. Educate Your Kidney Patients with our Evidence-Based Materials**

Visit www.store.MEL.org to purchase these resources!

# **Chronic Kidney Disease Education**

## Teach a CKD Class

- 1. Use our MIPPA-eligible slide decks one-on-one or with groups. Download our toolkit. FREE: www.lifeoptions.org/goodfuture
- 2. Have your patients watch video classes presented by Mary Beth Callahan, ACSW, LCSW. OR, go through mobile-friendly e-courses for patients. FREE: www.lifeoptions.org/goodfuture\_patients



## **Offer Hope, Help Patients Take** Action to Slow CKD, and Learn **About Treatments**

Reinforce your teaching! Order our easy-to-read, award-winning booklets to share accurate, up-to-date information. Help people with stages 1-3 **CKD** slow their disease. Help people with **stages 4/5** learn to delay kidney failure and understand all of the treatment options.

LOW COST: bulk pricing availble, customize with your logo, or self-print with a licensing agreement.





## **Match ESRD Treatment Options to Patients' Values**

Poster 24" x 36" \$20 unframed / \$94 framed



English/Spanish

Use the My Kidney Life Tool Kit to help your patients make informed treatment decisions based on their

Use these tools to teach your patients while they wait at appointments.

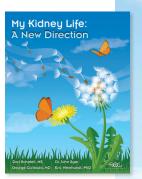
COST: Brochure \$24.99/bundle of 50 (English), \$29.99/bundle (Spanish);

(brochure) - share action steps to have a good life with dialysis

Take Charge of Your Health (brochure & poster) - learn CKD stages, symptoms,

and how to protect kidneys. You Can Feel Better & Live Well on Dialysis

- health, lifestyle, and relationship values. The kit includes: • My Kidney Life Plan.org - A free tool to RATE (using stars) how well a kidney treatment works for a person's values. Patients can share the summary with their health care team. Order our promotional postcards to hand out to your patients or put up a poster in your clinic.
- My Kidney Life: A New Direction Have your patients use this book to learn about each of the treatments for kidney disease so you can make a choice that fits the way you want to live. Cost: \$9.95/book
- My Kidney Life Values Learn how your lifestyle, relationships, and health values can be impacted by each type of kidney treatment with these eClasses. https://lifeoptions.org/kidney-life/#my-kidney-life-values



# **Highlights of our Helpful Tools & Resources**

## Learn Online

Help patients become active self-managers. 18 topics include:

How Kidneys Work

Kidney Lab Tests

Vascular Access

Anemia

- Following Your Treatment Plan
- Coping with Kidney Disease
  - - Heart Health Work and Kidney Failure
      - Paying for Treatment

Staying Active

Nutrition and Fluids

FREE: www.kidneyschool.org

## **Encourage Home Treatments**

# Ready-Set-Home eClasses

Easy-to-read articles

Dynamic, mobile-friendly **lessons** designed to give patients knowledge and confidence about home treatment.

about PD and home HD lifestyle topics, from keeping a job to what to expect from a PD catheter.



## **Reduce Care-Partner Burden**

Partner Agreement on Tasks for Home Dialysis (PATH-D) - for PD or HHD. Tools to help patients and care partners negotiate and share tasks. FREE: www.homedialysis.org/path-d

## **Promote Safe Ultrafiltration**

Educate your patients about fluid weight with MEI's free poster download, animated water removal video, and our Life@Home article!

## **Enhance Learning with Videos**

Let's Talk About...3-minute videos:

- Fistulas Learn why to switch from a HD catheter to a fistula
- Dialysis Options Covers lifestyle impacts of treatments.
- Fluids Shares how excess fluid can make patients feel bad and what they can do about it.
- Getting Enough Dialysis Explains the patient's role in dialysis adequacy.









# English/Spanish

How to Have a Good

Future with Kidney Disease













Learn about each treatment option for kidney failure in our SIX short 2-minute videos.



WATCH:

# **4. Use MEI Professional Resources**

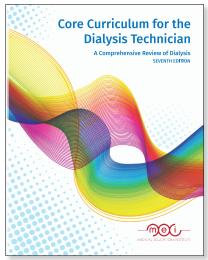
## **Train New Nurses and Technicians**

## Core Curriculum for the Dialysis Technician 7<sup>th</sup> edition

The premier, comprehensive training tool to help technicians—and nurses learn to provide safe, sensitive, high-quality dialysis. Twelve full color, easy-toread, fully referenced and illustrated modules cover understanding patients and kidney disease, infection control, professionalism, dialysis principles, vascular access, equipment, water treatment, procedures, and emergency planning. A must-have resource for every technician training program and dialysis clinic and a low-cost employee onboarding resource for companies. **COST:** \$47.99 book, ebook coming soon.

## Practice Tests for the Core Curriculum for the Dialysis Technician

Test knowledge or prepare for the certification exam. Buy per module \$5–15/quiz or bundle all 12 quizzes \$75. Take certification prep 150-question quiz that covers the entire book \$45.



## **Identify Patients for PD or Home HD**

## The Method to Assess Treatment Choices (MATCH-D)

Assess candidates for PD and home HD. Listed as a resource in the CMS Conditions for Coverage Measures Assessment Tool (MAT) for surveyors.



## FREE: www.homedialysis.org/match-d

## Read Cutting-Edge Home Dialysis Opinions

**KidneyViews Blog** – MEI and guests share perspectives about home therapies. Submit comments or a guest post and help us tell the world about home dialysis.

FREE: www.homedialysis.org/news-and-research/blog

## Comply with the CMS Requirement to Measure Health-Related Quality of Life

Record, document, and report the results of CMS-required dialysis patient



KidneyViews

BLOG

KDQOL-36<sup>™</sup> health-related quality of life surveys. Annual subscription fee based on clinic size. **COST:** \$350 or less per clinic per year. *www.kdqol-complete.org* 

Four Steps for Professionals What is the best way to discuss treatment options and what should you say? This guide will help make those conversions easier.



FREE: http://homedialysis.org/talk-to-patients.pdf

## **Teach Self-Cannulation**

### A How-To Manual

Step-by-step illustrated guide to teaching patients how to put in their own needles—a key step toward helping them preserve their access sites, gain self-confidence, and consider home treatment.



FREE: www.homedialysis.org/buttonhole

## **Earn Online CE Credits**

For Nurses and Dialysis Technicians Your patients count on your skills every day. Stay up to date, keep up your certification, and help support MEI efforts at the same time. **COST:** \$10 per credit.



https://mei.org/ce-courses

