## Renal Disease

## **Core Indicators for Hospice Care**

A 2009 report showed that only 21% of dying dialysis patients received hospice care.\*

## Renal disease is a primary indicator to consider hospice care

According to Medicare guidelines, core indicators of hospice eligibility for renal disease include:

- Plan for discontinuing dialysis (rapid decline despite dialysis, no renal transplant)
- Uremia
- Intractable fluid overload
- Oliguria
- Hyperkalemia

If your patient exhibits these signs and symptoms, call Hospice of the Calumet Area or fax a Referral to 219.922.3729.



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