Name of Policy: **Admission Criteria Policy Number:** 3364-118-04 **Department:** End Stage Renal Disease Program/ **MEDICAL CENTER** Hemodialysis (Nursing Service) **Approving** Chief Nursing Officer CNO) Officer: Responsible Effective Date: 10/2023 Nursing Director, Hemodialysis Unit Agent: Initial Effective Date: September, 1981 Scope: The University of Toledo Medical Center New policy proposal Minor/technical revision of existing policy Major revision of existing policy Reaffirmation of existing policy

(A) Policy Statement

Admission to the End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Program is available for all patients identified by <u>UTMC</u> physician staff as having renal failure.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To make equitable access to services available to all patients meeting criteria.

(C) Procedure

- 1. The Hemodialysis Unit is routinely open Monday through Saturday 7:00 am to 7:00 pm. An on-call protocol exists to care for patients on a 24-hour basis.
- 2. Hemodialysis and other extracorporeal treatments are provided to any hospitalized adult ESRD patient as ordered by the nephrologist.

Priority for treatment is classified as follows:

<u>Class I</u> - highest priority

- -Life threatening hyperkalemia (K > 7.0)
- -Pulmonary edema, with hypoxia (pulse ox < 90%)
- -Life threatening metabolic acidosis (pH <7.1)

Class II - intermediate priority

- Imminent renal transplantation
- Surgery scheduled within 6 hours of dialysis procedure
- Intoxication requiring extracorporeal treatments
- Encephalopathy
- Other, life threatening conditions amendable to extracorporeal therapy

Class III - standard stable, acute or chronic

All treatments within a class are scheduled accordingly to time of receipt of orders by hemodialysis nurse in charge. All Class I treatments are reviewed by the medical director for appropriateness of care. Accordingly, the medical director will perform triage in the event the hospital has inadequate resources to meet prescribed treatments.

- 3. Staff assisted outpatient adult hemodialysis is provided for End Stage Renal Disease patients who are not eligible for placement at an outpatient facility.
- 4. Cadaveric and living related renal transplantation is provided for adult End Stage Renal Disease patients upon completion of transplant evaluation.

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