

Ensuring Access to Quality Health Care Programs for CMS Beneficiaries End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Facility Status and Patient Tracking

The Kidney Community Emergency Response (KCER) Program provides technical assistance to End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Networks, Medicare organizations, and other groups to ensure that dialysis services are available in the event of an emergency or disaster.

For people receiving kidney dialysis or living with a kidney transplant, planning for emergencies and disasters can be the difference between life and death. Dialysis and kidney transplant patients must take special preparedness measures to ensure their own health and safety during and after disasters.

The KCER Program's disaster preparedness resources help save lives, improve outcomes, empower patients and families, educate healthcare workers, build partnerships with stakeholders, promote readiness in the community, and support the ESRD Network. KCER is a program of the End Stage Renal Disease Network Coordinating Center under contract with the [Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services](#).

For more information on KCER and all the services they help with please visit <http://kcercoalition.com>

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