



CMS is encouraging dialysis facilities to take part in VISION. This software application will allow facilities to enter and transmit their own data (patient master files, events and forms) via a secured connection and have local real time access to patient event history too!

With your participation, we expect to modernize the collection and retrieval of ESRD data in a secure, Web-enabled environment. So why not support this VISION today?

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VITAL INFORMATION SYSTEM TO IMPROVE OUTCOMES IN NEPHROLOGY



**Join CMS and the ESRD
Networks, in bringing data
management into the 21st
Century!**

About VISION ...

What is VISION

VISION is a part of a CMS initiative to revise the data flow process between themselves, the ESRD Facilities and the ESRD Networks. This software will be used by ESRD facilities to collect patient data for electronic exchange with the Networks.

It is a standalone pc based software application which ESRD facilities can use to enter patient data and is stored in a Microsoft Access database.

How Does It Work



Data is entered in the VISION software where it is saved in a local database at the ESRD dialysis facility. All completed patient data files are then uploaded to their respective Network via the Internet.



Once the ESRD Network receives the patient data, it is imported into their data system (SIMS) and feedback is sent to the ESRD facility in the form of a report via the Internet.



Finally, data imported into the Network data system is then reviewed by the CMS data system (REMIS) and determines the patient's Medicare Eligibility.

What are some of VISION's Benefits?

- Free software provided by CMS
- HIPAA Compliant
- Training materials included in the software
- Software delivered "ready to use"
- Immediate access to your patient data
- Ability to print patient and facility reports
- Eliminates need to fill out paper forms
- Faster transmission of data for prompt beneficiary coverage
- More accurate data transmissions
- Secure point-to-point data transmission
- Electronic communication with your Network

What are the Technical Requirements?

- Windows 2000 Professional (*all service packs*), or Windows XP
- Pentium 256 MHz or faster microprocessor
- 32 MB free system RAM or better
- Microsoft Office 97 or 2000 installed
- Acquire internet access via modem line/ISP subscription or dedicated Network connection on facility PC (*not provided by CMS*)
- Microsoft Internet Explorer version 5.5 or greater (*the latest version of Internet Explorer is available for download from the Microsoft web site*)

If your facility is interested in becoming a part of this CMS initiative, either contact your Network VISION Representative or register your facility by going online to:
www.esource.net