

SAMPLE QOL & NUTRITION LETTER FROM DB

Date

Name

Address

City, St Zip

Dear _____,

As you may recall, you recently agreed to participate in a federally funded national study for new dialysis patients. We would like to thank you for agreeing to take part in this important study and take this opportunity to provide you with some additional information.

DataBanque has been selected by the Comprehensive Dialysis Study (CDS) project as the company who will be responsible for conducting a telephone-based survey with you. We will be conducting a two-part survey that will take approximately 60 minutes to complete and covers both quality of life and nutrition issues. During the quality of life survey, you will be asked primarily about your lifestyle since being on dialysis.

In addition to quality of life questions, we will be asking about your diet over the past year. A copy of the nutrition questionnaire, called "Brief Food Questionnaire" is enclosed for your review, as well as a reference page of portion sizes. It would be helpful, but not necessary, if you could familiarize yourself with the types of questions we will be asking about the foods you typically eat prior to our call.

We will be calling you within the next week or so to conduct the survey. Should you have any questions prior to our call, you may contact Sandie Josapak toll-free at 1-866-268-3493.

Thank you, again, for your willingness to provide important information on the needs of dialysis patients. The information collected from this study will help researchers learn more about the lifestyle and daily diet of dialysis patients. All information collected from study participants will be kept completely confidential.

Sincerely,

Sondra Frenz
COO
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