

Dialysis Post-Event Surveillance Form Instructions
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I. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

The purpose of the Dialysis Post-Event Surveillance Form (DPE) is to obtain mortality status on a participant from either the participant or someone responding on behalf of the participant. The contact must be someone very close to the participant, such as a relative, caretaker, or friend, who is in frequent or daily direct contact with the participant.

Once a participant has developed dialysis-dependent end stage renal disease and has had a FAVORIT primary event the DCC will contact the clinic to begin collecting surveillance data only on this participant. This information should be collected every six months until mortality or the end of the study.

Prior to completing the DPE, interviewers must be familiar with and understand chapter 14: Administrative Procedures, in the Manual of Procedures, prior to completing this form. The form header information (ID, Contact Occasion, Sequence Number, Last Name and Initials) is completed as described in that document.

II. SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

1. Record who the contact source was in relation to the participant.
2. Record whether the participant is deceased. If “Yes”, complete an Outcomes Documentation (OUT) Form, upon completion of this form.
3. Record the date of death. This is not necessarily the date “pronounced dead”. If someone is “found dead”, date of death may be estimated if the time since last seen alive was short. However, if long, date of death may be unknown.
4. Record location of death. If the informant says “in the hospital”, clarify by asking if the participant died in the emergency room, and record the appropriate response. If the participant died “In hospital”, complete a Hospitalization Form, upon completion of this form. If they died “out of the hospital” record “B” and complete an Informant Interview Form upon completion of this form.
5. Record date of data collection.
6. Record whether the data was collected directly into the data entry system on the computer or whether it was recorded on a paper form.
7. Record your official certified initials that have been given to the DCC.