

**3701-83-23      Definitions - freestanding dialysis centers.**

For purposes of rules 3701-83-23 to 3701-83-24 of the Administrative Code the following definitions shall apply:

- (A) "Chronic maintenance dialysis" means the regular provision of dialysis for an end stage renal disease patient with any level of patient involvement.
- (B) "Dialysis" means a process by which dissolved substances are removed from a patient's body by diffusion from one fluid compartment to another across a semipermeable membrane.
- (C) "End stage renal disease patient" or "patient" means an individual who is at a stage of renal impairment that appears irreversible and permanent and who requires a regular course of dialysis or renal transplantation to ameliorate uremic symptoms and maintain life.
- (D) "Freestanding dialysis center" or "dialysis center" means a facility that provides chronic maintenance dialysis to end stage renal disease patients on an outpatient basis, including the provision of dialysis services in the patient's place of residence. A freestanding dialysis center does not include the following:
  - (1) A hospital or other entity that provides dialysis services, other than non-emergent chronic maintenance dialysis, within the same hospital or facility or in another building located on the same property as the hospital or facility, that are reviewed and accredited or certified as part of the hospital's accreditation or certification as required by section 3727.02 of the Revised Code; and
  - (2) Home dialysis as defined in paragraph (E) of this rule.
- (E) "Home dialysis" means either peritoneal dialysis or hemodialysis performed by an appropriately trained patient, with or without minimal assistance, at the patient's place of residence.

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