

# Pediatric Dialysis Education Agreement

#### **Expectations of the patient:**

- (For hemodialysis patients) Participate and work with the dialysis teacher or tutors in the dialysis unit as needed
  - Two 30–45-minute sessions each week
- Keep up with all homework and coursework and notify your parent, teacher, or dialysis staff if you need assistance
- Try to maintain current schooling status as appropriate
- Bring needed technology to complete schoolwork in the dialysis unit

## Expectations of the parent(s):

- Communicate any concerns regarding the child's academic performance, attendance, or socializing to the dialysis staff
- Reinforce good study habits at home (and for hemodialysis patients, reinforce that the child should be participating and working with the dialysis teacher or tutor as needed and appropriate.
- (For hemodialysis patients) Remove other distractions (phone, television, iPad, video games, for example) if the child is not participating in needed educational work
- Request assistance as needed with the child's 504 Plan or IEP
- Provide copies of the patient's 504 or IEP documents
- Provide documentation from the school that may help coordinate the child's academic needs.
- Sign an ROI (Release of Information) to enable dialysis teacher to communicate on behalf of the student to school staff.

## Expectations of the dialysis unit:

- Provide all necessary information to the school to create open communication and encourage academic growth and consistent attendance.
- Provide assistance from the dialysis teacher and tutors (as available) to help your child develop good study habits, reinforce concepts and prevent them from falling behind.
- Provide support, information, and advocacy as needed for the school's requirements to provide appropriate education (504 and IEP)
- Make recommendations and provide resources for:
  - Vocational training
  - Neuropsychological testing
  - Academic testing through the school districts
  - Any other appropriate intervention

#### Date/Signature/Initials:

RN
Patient (as appropriate)
Parent/Guardian
Dialysis Teacher

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