



MEMORANDUM

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Subject: **Network Mailing**

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Please review the mailing for the following enclosed items:

ITEM	DESCRIPTION/INSTRUCTIONS	ACTION
News from the Network Newsletter: Volume 6	This newsletter will provide you with information regarding Network updates, information, activities, and projects.	Review and share with staff.
Fistula First Breakthrough Initiative (FFBI) Reports & Resources	<p>These reports represent vascular access rates for incident and prevalent patients in your facility. Review the data provided for your facility's progress and opportunities for improvement as well as comparison with others in the Network.</p> <p>Enclosed: Fistula First Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vascular Access Used in Prevalent Patients; • Fistula Use and Placement Rates in Incident Patients; • ESRD Network 18 Fistula First Feedback Report; • ESRD Network 18 Summary; • Champion Vascular Access Facilities. <p>Enclosed Vascular Access Resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary of Best Practices 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review data for opportunities for improvement. (<i>Notice trends of all vascular accesses.</i>) • Network staff may follow up to discuss your facility's results.
Shining Stars: April - June 2011	<p>Enclosed please find your facility-specific <i>Delinquent Form Submission Report</i> for April - June 2011. The forms listed were received after the original due date or was never received by the Network. Please review the report for areas to improve in timely data submission.</p> <p>Enclosed: Shining Stars Flyer (April - June 2011)</p>	Review report and improve timely data submission in necessary areas.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Network 18 office at (323) 962-2020.

Mission Statement

To provide leadership and assistance to renal dialysis and transplant facilities in a manner that supports continuous improvement in patient care, outcomes, safety and satisfaction.