

Memorandum of Understanding

Between

Comagine Health ESRD Network 18

And

CCN: _____ **Facility Name:** _____

The undersigned, on behalf of the above facility hereby joins other End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) treatment facilities in the ESRD Network in agreeing to participate in the activities of the Network as provided in 42 CFR Part 494.180(i) [Dialysis Facility Conditions for Coverage] or 42 CFR Part 482.104(c) [Transplant Center Conditions of Participation] of the Department of Health and Human Services regulations.

It is understood that participation in Network activities is a condition of approval to receive Medicare reimbursement for the provision of End Stage Renal Disease services. Each facility must participate in ESRD Network activities and pursue Network goals. The dialysis or transplant facility must cooperate with the ESRD Network in its geographic area in fulfilling the terms of the Network's current statement of work. Failure to comply may result in sanctions by The Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS).

Network goals include: data collection and timely data entry into CROWNWeb or other systems as specified by CMS, participation on assigned quality improvement activities, working with the Network on the resolution of grievances and consulting the Network on cases related to involuntary discharges. The facility also agrees to use those treatment settings most compatible with the successful rehabilitation of the patient and improvement of their quality of life.

The facility agrees to notify the Network of disruptions in service impacting patients, including whether it was a permanent facility closure, the status of the patients affected, and the expected re-opening date of the facility. Once the facility has re-opened, the facility will contact the Network.

Print Name: _____
(Facility Medical Director or Administrator)

Signature: _____
(Facility Medical Director or Administrator)

Date

Signed: _____
Stephanie Hutchinson, MBA, Executive Director
Comagine Health ESRD Networks 16 & 18

Date