Nebraska
Chronic Renal Disease Program

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The Nebraska Chronic Renal Disease (CRD) Program is a client assistance program that provides payment for pharmaceutical and dialysis services to eligible Nebraska residents diagnosed with Chronic Kidney Disease. It does not cover the costs related to any other illness.

In addition to being diagnosed with Chronic Kidney Disease, clients must also:

- Require dialysis or kidney transplantation to maintain or improve his/her condition.
- Meet citizenship/alien and Nebraska residency requirements.
- Meet income guidelines based on household size.
- Meet the statutorily defined standards for being served by the Program.

Income guidelines are posted annually on the Program's website.

Clients apply for the CRD Program through their dialysis social worker and are sent an eligibility letter upon admission to the Program. *All information provided to the Program is confidential and will not be used for any other purpose than to determine client eligibility.*

The eligibility letter must be shared with your pharmacy and dialysis center. Not all pharmacies participate in the Program. A listing of participating pharmacies will be included with the eligibility letter.

Also included with the eligibility letter, is a copy of the Program's Reimbursable Drug Formulary. Only drugs listed on the Formulary are reimbursable through the Program. The Program reimburses for generic drugs only—unless there is not a generic available. If that's the case, it is clearly marked on the Formulary. Provide your pharmacy with a copy of the Formulary. The current listing is also available on the Program's website. The Formulary is updated annually.

Services covered by the CRD Program are available at reduced or no cost, depending on your insurance coverage. The Program will only pay for covered services after all other payment sources—including Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance, or any other health insurance—have determined and paid their share.

The State of Nebraska provides 100% of the funding for the CRD Program and the amount is limited. Costs for renal-related services that are not reimbursed by the Renal Program or other payers are the responsibility of the client. The Department of Health and Human Services reserves the right to curtail services eligible for CRD Program funding based on its determination of the most appropriate use of limited funds.

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