

## **Dialysis Patient**

### **Definition**

Patients receiving outpatient renal replacement therapy, or those with an acute kidney injury requiring a new dialysis start.

### **Disposition**

Chronic dialysis patients with acute medical issues that do not need specialized services (e.g. acute MI to CCU, stroke, GI bleed, etc.) should be admitted to Nephrology. Nephrology will also admit those with acute kidney injury requiring dialysis (provided they are otherwise stable) and those with access problems.

### **Caveats**

For patients needing urgent dialysis after-hours, ICU should be consulted.