



Administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Health, the Chronic Renal Disease Program (CRDP) provides life-saving care and treatment for adults with end-stage renal disease. End-stage renal disease is a condition in which the kidneys no longer function normally. Usually, in end-stage renal disease, the kidneys are functioning at less than 10% of their normal capacity. When this occurs, dialysis (a mechanical process that performs the kidney's work) or a kidney transplant is needed.

**The CRDP assists with costs related to:**

- Dialysis services
- Renal transplantation
- Medical management
- Inpatient and outpatient service
- Home dialysis supplies and equipment
- Medications
- Limited patient transportation

**How is eligibility determined?**

- Currently on Dialysis or Received a Renal Transplant
- Must be within 0% - 300% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (effective 2/2006)
- Must be in End Stage Renal Disease
- Must be a U.S. Citizen or Legal Alien
- Must be a resident of PA for at least 90 days - or show intent to be a PA resident

**What if I have health insurance/Medicare benefits?**

You may be eligible with other medical benefits, however, CRDP is the payer of last resort; all insurance options must be exhausted first.

**What is the eligibility coverage period?**

A cardholder is eligible for one year of coverage, and must renew annually. The Department of Health will mail you a re-enrollment form 6 weeks before your coverage will end.

**Enrollment Application**

Applications are available at the Medicare approved dialysis facility where the dialysis services are provided. Please ask your Social Worker for more information.